



March 29, 2020

cascade fellowship

CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

LOVE GOD LOVE PEOPLE MAKE DISCIPLES wherever we go

church gatherings suspended

In fulfilling our desire to love people, we seek to protect the health of everyone in our church family, especially those among us for whom the coronavirus (COVID-19) is a more dangerous concern and to protect our community by limiting the spread of the virus.

Following state and local government guidelines, we are suspending all large group gatherings through April 13.

Church Staff The church staff remains available as we work from home. Contact us with any questions or concerns by email (firstname@cascadefellowship.org) or using our home or cell phones listed in the church directory.

worship

We are worshipping through livestream every Sunday at 10:30am. Directions for using live stream are on the next page under This Week at Cascade.

Preaching We welcome Dr. Jeff Weima to our pulpit this Sunday. Dr. Weima is a professor of New Testament at Calvin Theological Seminary. He is also an author and enjoys lecturing in countries all over the world, leading biblical study tours, conducting preaching seminars for pastors, and preaching and speaking in churches.

Worship Focus As we continue our series *To Know Him Is to Love Him* on the characteristics of God, this morning's message is *Our Incomparable God*, focusing on Isaiah 46:1-7.

Worshipping from Home If you are unable to participate in our livestream worship, contact Melinda Homans (295-7228 or melinda@cascadefellowship.org) to be mailed a worship packet you can use at home in your personal worship each Sunday.

children & youth

Youth Group Tune in Sunday at 3PM for a ZOOM youth group (6th-12th graders). We will play a game and have a quick Bible study together. Read ahead by checking out Luke 15:11-32. The link to join was sent to your email. Didn't get it or have questions? Reach out to Eric at any time (eric@cascadefellowship.org).

Profession of Faith Class We are hosting an online, 3-connection opportunity for all students who are looking to make profession of faith! We begin April 1 at 8pm. RSVP to Eric (eric@cascadefellowship.org) if you are interested in joining.

Summer Camp Opportunities At this point we still plan to host both Camp Belong and SpringHill Day Camps. Registration is open for both. Register on our webpage (cascadefellowship.org/events) and invite friends and neighbors to come along! Questions? Contact Jessica Maddox (jessica@cascadefellowship.org) for more information on Camp Belong and Laura Brink (laura@cascadefellowship.org) for more information on SpringHill.

announcements

Transition Team In the past two weeks the team has held 6 phone interviews followed by 3 video interviews with potential candidates. It is still our desire to present a candidate to the congregation by late April/early May. At that time we hope the pastor can come to Cascade Fellowship, preach, and meet with members of the congregation. We are very excited about the candidates, and we ask for your continued prayers over this process and the candidate that God has already chosen for us.

Christian School Tuition Assistance 2020-2021 The link to apply online for Christian school tuition aid is on the church website in Resources/Forms for families seeking tuition assistance for the 2020-21 school year. Families must be members of Cascade Fellowship to qualify for assistance. Application must be made to FACTS by April 1. There is no cost to apply.



Kids' Food Basket Collection The collection will resume when the church office reopens.

Building Community In this time of social distancing, we are encouraging more ways to connect online! Check out all these places to stay connected!

- **Facebook:** Follow us on Facebook as we post daily with encouragement, inspiration, fun ideas, and questions.
- **Preparing for Worship** (Thursdays): Introducing the upcoming worship theme and preacher and sharing elements of worship.
- **Friday Communication:** Read updates and encouragement to build the body of Christ.
- **Website:** Find links and ideas for you and your family under Resources—new ones being added all the time! (cascadefellowship.org/resources)
- **Worship:** Every Sunday at 10:30 on our website under Media. (cascadefellowship.org/media)

Congregational Needs

Our elders, deacons, and staff are available to meet needs brought on by this unique situation.

- Please contact your elder or deacon if you have a prayer request you'd like to share with them or your care group.
- Do not hesitate to let us know if you have a special need for support, transportation, food supplies or other needs over the next several weeks.
- If you would like, or know someone who would like, a visit or phone call from an elder, deacon or member of our church leadership, please let us know.
- Please pray—pray for our care group, for our church family, for our country, and for our world.

this week at cascade

Due to the coronavirus outbreak and the state stay-at-home order, all large group gatherings are suspended through April 13.

Sunday

10:30am Worship (livestream)

Let's worship together at home as a family of God joined by the Holy Spirit! This is also a wonderful opportunity to invite neighbors, friends, or co-workers to worship with us in a comfortable and familiar place—their home!

To stream worship using live video:

- Go to our website, cascadefellowship.org and click on MEDIA at the top.
- The live feed will begin shortly before worship begins.
- We are broadcasting a high quality digital product; however, your viewing experience depends on the device you are using to stream.
- Faster download speeds at your location will result in a smoother stream of the service.
- High quality audio equipment provides an optimal listening experience. (For example, a bluetooth speaker will yield better sound than a computer speaker.)
- Messages from previous weeks are also archived on our webpage under MEDIA.

If you have any questions, please contact Lynn (lynn@cascadefellowship.org).

3:00pm Virtual Youth Group Meeting

giving

Each Sunday we have an opportunity to give back to God through a financial offering.

During this time of online worship, we encourage you to continue to give faithfully to the church so that our ministry to our community can continue to thrive.

You can give easily and safely

- online at cascadefellowship.org/giving
- by text (text cascade to 73256)
- by mail (6655 Cascade Road SE, GR MI, 49546)

Our Featured Ministry this week is the Christian School Tuition Assistance Fund. Next week's is Faith Promise Missions.