

Hello OCF Family,

These last days have been disconcerting to say the least. I think our world is experiencing high anxiety. This is a time for us all to remember who's we are and that we are in the hands of the one who is both all powerful and all loving. Therefore we need not fear. Psalm 46 comes to mind.

Psalm 46

- 1 God is our refuge and strength,  
an ever-present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way  
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,
- 3 though its waters roar and foam  
and the mountains quake with their surging.

I want you all to know that we will be having our service tomorrow, but if you feel at all nervous about coming, please join us for worship at home. I will send you a link to YouTube live so that you can be "with" all of us. That being said, if you do come to our church building tomorrow here are a few recommendations:

Please do not shake hands. Or touch each other. I know this is hard to follow, but we need to practice what people are calling "social distancing".

If possible, sit a little ways apart.

Wash your hands.

If you are feeling "under the weather" please stay home.

Also, please know that our wonderful custodian, Paul White, has disinfected all surfaces that we normally touch and sprayed a disinfectant mist over the chairs. Our church is as clean and sanitary as we can get it. Paul is doing this every time he cleans.

Tomorrow for the service, we will be spending some time praying together. We are all affected by this, but there are some that are wondering what they are going to do with their kids AND go to work. There are others who are wondering about the security of their jobs. Others are worried about getting sick themselves or a loved one getting sick. Let's take all this to the Lord. If you come to church tomorrow we will pray together. If you "come" to church via YouTube, you too can pray with us.

Now is a time for us to be agents of peace, not fear. May the shalom of God be yours today!

Blessings,  
Pastor Dan