



Valleybrook's Response to COVID-19 – March 14-20

Thank you for your patience in awaiting our decision about our response to COVID-19. In these days of uncertainty and unrest, there is MUCH scriptural guidance for us!

Psalm 62:8 (ESV) – Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.

Psalm 56:3 (ESV) – When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.

1 Peter 3:12 (ESV) – For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayer.

1 Peter 5:6-7 (ESV) – Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.

Of course, we could go on! In our response as a church, we want to demonstrate faith while equally upholding the admonition to “love our neighbor” as ourselves. This certainly involves evaluating the impact that any gathering could potentially have on the more vulnerable individuals in the broader communities in which we live and work.

In light of all we know at this point in the rapidly changing landscape, we will err on the side of safety for our communities. WE WILL CANCEL OUR IN-PERSON GATHERING THIS SUNDAY. We are looking at various ways to leverage technology to stay connected and growing as a body. The Kaneland School District is closed for rentals at this time. More information will be coming from us before Sunday on how you can participate through technology.

Additionally, we will be canceling our Breakout! outreach to Maple Park that was scheduled for next Saturday. As things develop, we will look to see if there is a better time to reschedule that event or something like it.

As you certainly know, the church has ongoing expenses. In the days ahead, we may look to set up direct, online giving options. In the meantime, please consider continuing your regular giving, either by physically mailing a check to our P.O. Box, or through your own online banking systems. Instructions for setting up your online banking system for Valleybrook giving can be found on our website at

<http://valleybrookchurch.com/about-us/donations>

Some of you may be fearing economic or other hardship as a result of this crisis. Please reach out and let us know how your church body can support you.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact one of us directly. We'll continue to communicate information as we have it.

Valleybrook Elders