

GPN - COVID-19 Announcement - 3-17-20 11:30 A.M.

Good afternoon GPN family,

As we are experiencing an unprecedented situation impacting our community and our world, I want to invite you to look to Jesus with me. Jesus is King! He is Lord of all and Lord over all! As we are walking in faith not fear we are striving to respond in a responsible and balanced approach to the COVID-19 crisis. We want to keep you informed of changes to our ministries and events. We ask you to join us in this opportunity to show love, compassion, and offer the hope of Jesus to those around us. The decisions we have had to make this week have not been easy ones and have been saturated in prayer. We believe, out of the Lord's call for us to love and protect our neighbors, we must make the following temporary adjustments:

Announcement from State and Federal Authorities:

On 3-15-20 The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:

Called for the cancelation or postponement of in-person events that consist of 50 people or more throughout the United States.

On 3-16-20 the office of Governor Eric J. Holcomb:

Indiana will adhere to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines for large events and mass gatherings. The guidance calls for no in-person events of more than 50 people.

On 3-16-20 President Trump and the White House Coronavirus Task Force:

Urging all Americans to avoid gatherings of more than 10 people.

Therefore, out of a heart of love and responsibility we will make the following adjustments:

NO Sunday Services & Sunday School – March 22nd and 29th

We will NOT meet for our usual Sunday Morning / Evening Worship services or Sunday School on March 22nd and 29th.

Weekly Ministries

With the exception of the food pantry, all other GPN groups, classes, ministries and gatherings that meet at the church are suspended for the next two weeks. We are encouraging the use of video conference tools like zoom meetings, skype and facetime. This is an important time to reach out to one another through text, email, phone and video calls.

Online Worship – March 22nd and 29th

Pastor Brady and the GPN ministry team will lead a brief interactive online family worship service each week that will be posted on www.gpnaz.org, the GPN app under the daily devotional section and on the Friends of Grace Point Facebook page. We highly encourage you to worship with us there! The video service will be posted by 9:00 a.m. March 22nd and 29th and available for playback at the time of your choosing.

Daily Video Devotions

We encourage you to join Pastor Brady in the daily video devotional “Obey Today.” You can find these each day on the GPN app under daily devotional, and the Friends of Grace Point Facebook page.

Offering

We want to thank you for your faithfulness to the Lord in your giving to His work through GPN. While we have temporary adjustments to our ministry schedule our financial commitments to ministry continue without pause. We encourage you to give your tithes, offerings and Faith Promise gifts for missions online, or on the GPN app. You are also welcome to drop off your offering at the church office any time Monday – Friday, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm. If you need assistance, please call the church office. 260-485-2110

Teen Play – “Chairlift to Heaven”

The teen play will NOT be held on March 22nd. The reschedule date for the play is TBD. We will update you on that date as soon as we are able.

Children’s Clothing and Toy Resale

The Resale will NOT be held on March 21st. The Resale will be rescheduled for May 2nd.

We will continue to monitor the situation on a weekly / daily basis. Updates will be posted on www.gpnaz.org, as well as, our church app, Friends of Grace Point Facebook page, and church emails. Feel free to call the church office for any further assistance.

Please let us know how we can be praying for you. You can share your requests and praises on www.gpnaz.org, or the welcome card on the GPN app, email them to vfederick@gpnaz.org, or call the church office. **If you find yourself in need of assistance or if we could be of help to you in anyway during this time, please let us know by calling the Church office.**

Let’s unite and stand on the words of Jesus together...

Matthew 6:34

Therefore, do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

John 14:27

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

John 16:33

I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.

Blessings,

Pastor Brady Wisehart

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