At Church of the Resurrection we take the health and well-being of our congregation, staff and community very seriously. Please continue to pray for those who are affected by this virus – those who are ill, the medical professionals treating them, the scientists working on vaccines and cures, those with mental health concerns, and the leaders making tough decisions to try and curb the spread of the virus and keep us safe, as well as those who are feeling lonely and isolated at this time. We have a staff team monitoring coronavirus (COVID-19) updates from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), medical professionals, and local health departments. In addition to ongoing efforts to maintain a safe and healthy environment, we have temporarily implemented the following precautionary measures. We have plans in place for additional actions if necessitated by the severity of the outbreak.

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

- We encourage you to follow the executive decrees that were issued this weekend by county and city leaders from across metro Kansas City, “stay at home” as much as possible. These orders are a concerted effort by our government leaders to be prudent and reduce the significant risk of overwhelming regional hospitals and clinics with cases of COVID-19.
- If you or a family member is sick, may have been directly exposed to the virus or have traveled to a high-alert area, please follow the CDC guidelines and refrain from attending church services, programs and events during the 14-day incubation period and instead worship with us online.
- Follow the guidelines from the CDC and the Johnson County Health Department to help prevent the spread of the virus. (General guidelines listed at the end of this document.)

To protect families in our congregation and community and observe the current Kansas City area Stay-at-Home Order all in person worship, gatherings, classes and events are postponed or cancelled until April 24. Wherever possible we will continue with virtual classes and groups.

WORSHIP

- At this time only online worship services will be available through April 24. In-person worship services will not be held at any of our campuses, and all worshippers are encouraged to worship online at the following worship times: Sat 5pm, Sun 7:30am, 9:15am, 11am, 5pm.
- Please use our online registration, online giving and online prayer request options during the online worship service. You may also mail donations to the church at Church of the Resurrection, Attn: Finance, 13720 Roe Ave, Leawood, KS 66224.
- You may view, download and print this week’s bulletin at cor.org/next-week.
CONGREGATIONAL CARE

• Our Congregational Care team will continue to care for our congregation, while taking precautions to protect everyone’s health and prevent the spread of the virus.

• If you need assistance (shopping/delivery of groceries or basic household supplies, basic household expenses, supplies for family member in care facility, other emergency needs) you can contact this church through this form.

• Prayer Requests: Please continue to submit your prayer requests online at cor.org/prayer while we are only worshipping online.

• Appointments: We are continuing to offer in-person pastoral counseling while maintaining social distances. Call to schedule, but please do not come into the office if you are sick. We have the option of connecting through of a phone call or virtual visit.

• Hospitals Visits: Hospitals are restricting visitors, and we are no longer able to make in person visits.
  - For currently admitted patients, Pastors and CCMs will make phone calls to congregants to offer care and support, and we will contact hospital chaplains to make visits.
  - For surgeries, Pastors and CCMs will make pre-surgery phone calls the evening before the surgery.
  - If a patient is approaching the end of life, we will arrange a visit with the family if the facility will allow it. If the patient is at home and open to a visit, we will arrange it.

• Care Home visits: All visits to care homes are suspended. Pastors are working with volunteers to write notes and make phone calls to those who are admitted.

• Funerals: We are currently unable to conduct indoor funerals with more than 10 people gathered together. Options are:
  - an outdoor graveside, committal or inurnment service with a memorial service or celebration of life at a future date;
  - delaying and scheduling funeral for a future date when it is safe to gather in large groups; or
  - proceeding with a small, family-only service with fewer than 10 people and an optional livestream available for those unable to attend.

• Weddings: We are currently unable to conduct weddings where more than 10 people are gathered. Options are:
  - proceed with family-only wedding not to exceed 10 people, with option for a livestream available for those unable to attend; or
  - postpone the wedding and reschedule for a future date when it is safe to gather in large groups

Should the family wish to make alternate wedding plans, any deposits received by the church will be refunded.
• Prayer Requests: Please continue to submit your prayer requests online at cor.org/prayer while we are only worshipping online.
• Appointments: We are continuing to offer in-person pastoral counseling. Call to schedule, but please do not come into the office if you are sick. We have the option of connecting through of a phone call or virtual visit.

SMALL GROUPS, CLASSES AND SUPPORT GROUPS
• Volunteers, leaders and participants should take precautions appropriate for their own personal health situation.
• KiDSCOR children’s programs and nurseries will not be open through April 24, to be re-evaluated weekly thereafter. Online resources for families will be available. Check your campus website and social media.
• Rezlife youth programs will not be held through April 24, to be re-evaluated weekly thereafter. Online resources for students will be available. Check your campus website and social media.
• Matthew’s Ministry programs, including the Sonflower Adult Learning Program, will not be held through April 24, to be re-evaluated weekly thereafter.
• Discipleship small groups and classes will meet virtually through April 24, to be re-evaluated weekly thereafter.
• Support groups will continue as scheduled, meeting virtually using online tools through April 24, to be re-evaluated weekly thereafter.
• All other gatherings of 10+ people will be cancelled or moved online through April 24 to be re-evaluated weekly thereafter. The Wednesday night study of The Walk will be offered online.

MISSIONS
• Check our webpage for daily updates on our community response, including opportunities to donate or serve.
• We are working closely with our mission partners, food pantries, schools and agencies to help meet their needs and ways in which Resurrection can help during this time.
• We’ve made the difficult decision to immediately suspend all incoming donations of clothing and household goods to the church for the time being, as a preventative measure to mitigate exposure to COVID-19.
• Four upcoming mission trips have been cancelled and participants have been notified. Contact Missions with any questions. All other upcoming mission trips, including Rezlife mission trips, will be reassessed as more information becomes known.
• We are working closely with our mission partners, food pantries, schools and agencies to help meet their needs and ways in which Resurrection can help during this time.

STAFF & VOLUNTEERS
• The majority of staff are working remotely. Please contact church staff by email or phone.
• Our staff and volunteers are committed to maintaining a healthy environment by reducing interpersonal contact and washing hands frequently.
• Staff members and volunteers who are sick, or have been around someone with active symptoms, will stay home for the recommended quarantine period.
• As the situation evolves, our staff will continue to connect with volunteers and congregants through email and phone calls to keep you updated on cancellations and program changes.

FACILITIES AND BUILDINGS
• In compliance with city and county Stay-At-Home Orders, all Resurrection Buildings will be closed to the public. There will be some essential operations continuing, supported by a limited number of staff and volunteers practicing social distancing and regular sanitation.
• Church offices will operate virtually, which means phones and emails will be answered during these office hours:
  o Leawood – 9am – 5 pm, Monday – Friday
  o Downtown, Overland Park, West, 9am – 4pm, Monday – Thursday
  o Blue Springs, 10am – 3pm, Monday – Thursday
• For after-hours pastoral care emergencies, you can call 913-544-0799.
• The Prayer Walks at the Leawood and West campuses are open, offering a safe alternative for personal prayer and worship. Please practice social distancing in these spaces.
• Outside office hours, church buildings will operate with limited hours, open only for essential support and limited programs.
• In addition to regular cleaning by a professional cleaning service, highly touched surfaces will be sanitized frequently.

SUPPORTING YOUR CHURCH AND COMMUNITY
• Our church continues to serve our congregation and community. Continue to be a part of the ministry because the need for the support you give in the Kansas City area and around the world continues, and even expands during the pandemic. Check the website and watch your email for opportunities to serve individually or in smaller groups.
• Please continue your financial support of the work of the church. Our mission and missional efforts haven’t stopped and are needed now more than ever. Many of you set up your tithes and offerings to be automatically given. If you haven’t done this yet, you can give your tithes and offering online, or mail a check to the church at Church of the Resurrection, Attn: Finance, 13720 Roe Ave, Leawood, KS 66224.

Please use this form if you have additional questions about Church of the Resurrection’s response to the coronavirus.

YOU CAN BE A LIGHT IN A TIME OF CRISIS
• Pray for those who are affected by this virus – those who are ill, the medical professionals treating them, the scientists working on vaccines and cures, those with mental health concerns, and the leaders making tough decisions to try and curb the spread of the virus and keep us safe, as well as those who are feeling lonely at this time – please reach out to anyone you think might be feeling isolated over the next few weeks.

• Educate yourself about the Coronavirus from credible and reliable sources, such as from the World Health Organization, the CDC, and the Johnson County Health Department. Know the symptoms and have a plan for what you would do if you or a family member were to become sick.

• Check on your friends and neighbors. If you know someone who may not have internet access, give them a call and share the information in this email. If the virus spreads through our community as predicted, we can continue to reach out and care for one another through phone calls, emails and social media.

• As the virus spreads, many doctors and nurses will be working long hours. Consider ways you can bless these medical professionals with acts of kindness and notes of appreciation.

YOU CAN HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF THE VIRUS

• Observe the “stay-at-home” orders
• Avoid large gatherings of people and close contact with people who are sick.
• Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
• Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash. Stay home when you are sick.
• Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
• Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing, and, if soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.