

AN UPDATE ON EMANUEL'S RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19/CORONA VIRUS 3/12/2020

There have been several changes at Emanuel

-The words for the liturgy and hymns are printed in the bulletin.

You may use the hymnal as you wish.

-The baptismal font will remain dry unless there is a baptism.

The Peace is omitted during the penitential season of Lent.

After Lent, we will exchange the Easter greeting of peace without shaking hands or touching.

-The offering will be received as you come to the altar for Communion. Offering plates will be placed on either side of the center aisle. If you prefer not to commune, you may return to your pew by the side aisles.

Consider setting up an automatic, scheduled, and no-fee payment sent to Emanuel by your bank

-Communion

The common cup will not be offered

The Pastor will place the Body of Christ in your hands without touching. Please hold your hands wide open.

The Blood of Christ will be served to you in individual glasses by the Assisting Minister. Please do not reach for the tray or touch it. Also, please announce 'grape juice' to the Assisting Minister if you do not wish to receive the wine.

Remember, you may receive either the host OR the cup, the fullness of Christ's promise of forgiveness is given through one, the other or both.

-Following the Liturgy

The pastor will greet the congregation following the liturgy with a creative gesture, but without shaking hands or touching.

-Coffee Hour Please use the tongs to pick up your snack.

A FEW GENERAL HEALTH SUGGESTIONS

Hand sanitizer is available in the narthex -as it is available

Hand washing is always available in the bathrooms.

When washing your hands, a minimum of 20 seconds is recommended (pray the Lord's Prayer or the Apostles Creed as a good handwashing time)

Turn off the faucet with a paper towel and then use it to open the bathroom door.

Wash Your Hands **Don't touch your face with your hands**

Keep your distance (six feet is recommended by public health officials)

If you are ill, please consider staying home. The worship service is available on line at:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/EmanuelLutheranMedia>

For information about the COVID-19/Corona virus, consult the CDC at:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

If there are concerns regarding the virus, Please contact:

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