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Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit in every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Revelation 22:1-2

Dear Body of Christ

Never in human history have we been so united across the world in awareness of our frailty to disease and the sense of fear for what will happen. People in every country are practicing social distancing, experiencing isolation and the deepening concerns of jobs and financial crisis. Most people are able to put up with deprivation and limits to our movements temporarily, as long as they know there is some end in sight. This is the time for those who know Jesus to be restored, not to the end of Covid-19 alone, but to the end which Jesus has gone to prepare for us – with Him! We have this hope, not future, but today in Jesus, the Messiah, the Son of the Living God!

To help us proclaim the message of the hope we have in Him, the elders and deacons have agreed to continue to meet for worship as a Drive-In Church at 10:00 am each Sunday at Cornerstone as long as we are able.

We have checked with the Sheriff's department and will be in compliance, not meeting in groups larger than 10 outside the safe zones of our cars, and practicing social distancing. While the rest rooms will be open, we encourage everyone to please respect these guidelines. Bulletins and children craft items will be distributed by gloved ushers.

You will have to tune in to FM radio 101.5, the same frequency on which our headsets for hearing impaired broadcast. This only works on our property. Offering boxes will be available for folks to come forward to drop offerings in a centrally located spot. There will be no Sunday School or Children's Church, so parents will need to plan accordingly. We will post the recording of Sunday's worship on our Cornerstone Facebook account later Sunday evening.

This week is begins Holy Week, a time for Jesus' followers to focus on His demonstration of the greatest love.

-Wednesday, April 8 – 6:30 pm Zoom Bible Study "Standing on the Rock Amidst the Storms of Life"

-Thursday, April 9 – 7:00 pm Zoom reading and prayer around the accounts of the Last Supper. Please prepare at home your own bread and grape juice/wine to end in communion.

-Good Friday, April 10 – 7:00 pm Zoom reading and meditation around the Seven Last Words of Jesus from the cross.

Please know that the Leadership Team is diligent in prayer and obedience to God's call upon His church today, while seeking the latest counsel from our medical brothers and sisters. While doing everything we can to be wise and to follow health and government guidelines, we first and foremost want to ensure that when the world looks to the church/us for help, they see Jesus. What a great opportunity for you to reach out to someone you know with an invitation to end isolation with the power of what God does when we come together in the name of Jesus!

In His love,

Kevin