

Hello Grace Family,

First off, with regards to our daily Bible readings and prayer time. In case you didn't notice, April 1st (when we started reading the Psalms), our prayer time became about praying the Psalms. Reading the Psalms and then going back and making it into a prayer. I hope this is something you did catch but if not, I want to encourage you to give this a try. I think this will be beneficial to our prayer time as we make scripture our prayers.

Here's 4 things I wanted to share with you.

1. Right now there are probably a lot of people who are in need of assistance, whether it's financial or help running and getting something or doing something around the yard. Well, part of the purpose of the church is to help others in need but we can't help if we don't know that there's a need. So, if you have a need, please, let me know of your need so we can help you out. Don't let pride keep you from asking for assistance.

2. If you have a prayer request, can send me email with your prayer requests.

3. We are going to live stream a Maundy Thursday service at 7 pm on Thursday night. It will last about 30 mins.

Now, before I share one of the things we are going to do during the service, I just wanted to remind us that what we are doing right now is not church, it's not how we do church. We are doing what we can, while following State rules, to stay connected until we can do church again biblically. Church is basically 2 things: teaching and togetherness. We can pass on content in online preaching and teaching and that's good but that is only part of what a local church is about.

And part of that togetherness includes the taking of Communion. This is something that the church did when they came together, it's not something people just did in their homes when they felt like it. With that said, in the circumstances we are in, we want to take communion together, in the best way we can, while staying true to scripture, especially during this week. So even though we will be in different locations, we will take communion together at the same time on this night. What we are asking is that you make sure to have some bread and juice ready for Thursday night during the live stream to take communion together. And parents, please remember, communion is only for those who are believers, those who have professed faith in what Communion signifies. We are going to ask you hold true to this in your home.

4. We want to try and do a Zoom gathering on Sunday morning at 10 am. *This is not replacing the morning service.* We will still be live streaming the Sunday service at 10:30 am.

This is just a way to actually see people on this Resurrection Sunday. We can do a meeting with up to 100 logins. But, due to security issues with Zoom, if you want to be a part of the Zoom time at 10 am. you will need to send me an email that you want to be a part of this and then I will send you an email with a link to the Zoom meeting. If you have never used Zoom, you can go to Zoom.us and they have a tutorial video on how to use Zoom. You can also find one on Youtube.com

For those that don't have Zoom, my hope is to do a Facebook live of the Zoom meeting. Now, I don't know if this will work yet but I'm hoping it will so then you can login into Facebook and see the people.

If you have any questions, if you need assistance, if you have a prayer request, please don't hesitate to email me.