

Dear St. Paul's Family,

I hope this finds you well as we continue to be secluded in our homes. I apologize if some of the this is repetitive, but you should know that Pastor Dave and I are in almost daily contact.

The Board of Directors will continue to meet via conference call every Monday. The following are highlights from our meeting (call) of Monday, March 23, 2020.

- Sunday and Lenten services will continue to be provided via our web link: [www.stpaulscroftom.com](http://www.stpaulscroftom.com). We remain closed through **Sunday, March 29, 2020**.
- The next SED update call is scheduled for April 2, 2020.
- St. Paul's e-Giving process was stressed as the best option to continue financial support during this time. The monthly operational expenses continue whether our doors are open or closed.
- USPS mail delivery to St. Paul's mailbox has been suspended until Friday, March 27, 2020 due to concern that offering envelopes might be stolen. We will gather all mail that afternoon and reinitiate another stop until the following Friday, April 3, 2020. This will be the plan going forward until we are "back to normal". If e-Giving is not an option for you, please mail your offering envelop directly to:

St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
1370 Defense Highway  
Gambrills, MD 21054

- Rick Wood is in the process of installing the computer software necessary to provide real time streaming of our Sunday service(s). Until we can gather again at St. Paul's, Pastor Dave will continue to record the service remotely and can be accessed at [www.stpaulscrofton.com](http://www.stpaulscrofton.com)
- St. Paul's website analytics indicate that use of the website has significantly increased. As of Monday, Pastor Dave's Sunday service was accessed at least

188 times. This would include some individuals (unknown) clicking in more than once.

- St. Paul's picture directory is almost complete (you're going to like it!!).
- Pastor Dave will be organizing small groups of 10 to engage in bible study via conference call.
- Individual neighborhood community outreach opportunities discussed: e.g., establishing a semi or weekly conference call with neighbors to determine what, if any, activities needed in support.
- Due to the current state and local government restrictions, the Call Process has been slightly delayed. Hopefully, the pastoral candidate information packages can be delivered to the Call committee members within the next week. This will be followed by an initial meeting/call date (TBD) with Pr. Schaefer and Maack.

Stay safe, be healthy, and blessings to all,  
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