

Dear Far West End Members and guests,

The Far West End SDA Church has been closely following the development of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). The situation is constantly evolving and the safety of our community is our first concern. In light of the current situation the Church Governance Board and Ministry Board have met together and made the following decisions to create a safe and healthy environment.

The following events or resources have been **cancelled or suspended**:

- Women's Ministry Meeting on March 21.
- Potluck Dinners have been cancelled until further notice.
- Communion Service scheduled for March 28 is cancelled.
- The kitchen will not be used until further notice.

Currently we **plan to continue**:

- Worship Services
- Sabbath School classes for Adults and Children
- Bible Studies for Children and Youth
- Choir Practice
- Prayer Meeting

The CDC and the Virginia Department of Health have provided the following important information:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing; going to the bathroom; and before eating or preparing food.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.

We are taking extra measures with cleaning, especially frequently touched surfaces. Hand sanitizers are available in the foyer and sanctuary.

Additionally, for the time being, when we gather for worship services or other larger gatherings, we suggest not greeting with handshakes and hugs. Let's think of creative ways to share the love.

For those who elect to worship from home, our [sermons](#) are available on our website shortly after the service. Also, if you would prefer to give online, please go to fwesda.org/connect/giving. Your continued financial support is appreciated and needed.

We will continue to monitor the situation and be ready to take any further actions that are needed.

Finally, as we take the necessary precautions let us remember that we are a people who trust in the Lord. "For God has not given us a spirit of fear; but of power and of love and of a sound mind." 2 Timothy 1:7

Yours in Christ,

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