Greetings to the members and friends of St. Mark Lutheran Church

On Tuesday, May 26th, your Board of Directors met and discussed many projects. We have a lot going on, from budgets to lighting to parking lots and so much more. One key topic had to do with when we can get back to worshipping in person.

We used information from many sources and had great sharing of ideas and solutions. As a board we have unanimously decided on our "re-opening plan". The staff and the elders have seen and support the decisions. Some of the details are being worked on, and everyone will be informed of what is happening as we move forward. You should have already received an email for your feedback on the service issues. Please respond to it by June 2.

- St Mark will reopen to in-person worship on Sunday June 14, 2020. The current plan is to maintain our scheduled worship times of 8:15 and 10:30. The service times may adjust based on the responses on the Survey that was emailed to everyone.
- There will be NO Bible Studies, Sunday School or Nursery provided at this time
- Communion will be celebrated. Individual cups only.
- Online services will be available, both live and recorded.
- Anyone who is sick, high-risk, or just not ready yet is asked to worship online
- Hugging, handshaking and physical "passing of the peace" is discouraged
- Face masks are HIGHLY encouraged. Bring your own if you have one. Additional will be made available at the church. Remember, the mask isn't just for you, but those around you. Please be respectful of the needs/viewpoint of your brothers and sisters.
- Occupancy will be limited based on the ability to maintain proper distancing. There will be indicators in the sanctuary as well as ushers to assist
- Please bring your Bible. The order or worship and songs will all be on screen. There will be no printed materials distributed and all items will be removed from the pew racks.
- There will be an offering plate at the door, but it will not be passed.
- Please refrain from "visiting other areas of the church". Many areas will be closed off.

There are more details "behind the scenes" and a few items that still need the final details prepared. We will make all of this information available as it is determined. Please feel free to ask any questions you might have. Watch your email, or visit the church website for the most up to date information.

We look forward to seeing you all in person in just a couple of short weeks. God's blessings on your day.
St Mark Lutheran Church
Board of Directors