



# Pittsburgh Lutheran United Ministries

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*Living Christ's Light of Hope in Our Communities*

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Dear PLUM Congregations,

***May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*** Romans 15:13

To better care for our communities in a time of increasing COVID-19 numbers, the strong recommendation of Bishop Kusserow (letter attached), and in consultation with the PLUM Board, it is the decision of the pastoral team to suspend all in-person worship and meetings beginning on Wednesday, November 18, 2020. We will continue to discern when it is appropriate to resume in-person gatherings in consultation with the Synod office.

Recognizing the uniqueness and difficulty of the times we are in, this is not an easy decision. We faced this situation in the Spring and together we cared for each other. As we come to the close of our church year and get ready to enter into the season of Advent, we do so with the assurance that our waiting is one filled with Hope that Christ is with us.

To continue caring for our communities during this time of suspended in-person gatherings, we will offer two weekly Zoom Sunday services (10:30 am and 3:00 pm) with communion. We will also be offering two Zoom Christmas Eve services (7 pm and 11:30 pm).

Please know that your pastoral team is available to you. Do not hesitate to contact us to share concerns and celebrations. May the Love of God be your comfort and peace.

In service together,

The PLUM Pastoral Team

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