



# Weston United Methodist Church

## Covid 19 Virus Response

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### GOD LOVES YOU, AND SO DO WE

Weston United Methodist Church is open for business, but our building is not open. For the health and safety of all of us, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we will not be holding in-person worship here until a later date, and our staff is primarily working from home.

In the meantime, we invite you to join us on-line, where we are holding worship, Bible Study, and "coffee fellowship" time. You can find the contact information on our website: [www.westonunitedmethodist.org](http://www.westonunitedmethodist.org), or on our group FaceBook page.

See our weekly newsletter, the Beams, for updates on our mission projects or other opportunities to participate. (This is also found on our website or Facebook page.) Be in touch with our office administrator ([westonunitedmethodist@gmail.com](mailto:westonunitedmethodist@gmail.com)) or our pastor ([revdocpat@gmail.com](mailto:revdocpat@gmail.com)) if there is any way that we can be of assistance to you.

To quote from our neighboring Congregational Church of Weston, "In essence we are declaring "snow days" without the snow. Even if this community participation in "social distancing" keeps the virus from spreading deeper and further at this time, community health experts are predicting that until there is a vaccine we will be living with corona-virus just as we live with the common cold and the flu. Best practices of staying home if ill, washing hands often, coughing into one's sleeve, appropriate social distancing, etc.," are important for everyone.

We will keep monitoring the situation, and will do our best to keep you informed.

One of the important parts of our gathering as a community of faith is the connection that we have to one another. I want to make a strong recommendation to all of us to **be in contact with one another via phone, Zoom, FaceTime, text messaging or email during this time when physical contact is limited**. Avoid becoming isolated, and think of those who are most likely to experience loneliness and reach out. In the coming week, we will try to organize a calling system, and in the meantime, make it your personal intention to call at least one person whom you would ordinarily talk to on Sunday morning just to encourage each other, and call at least one person whom you miss seeing on Sundays to check in and be sure that they are staying well.

God bless you all.

Pastor Pat and the leadership of the Weston UMC

PS: Please be aware that church expenses continue even if we are not able to gather on Sunday mornings. If it is at all possible for us to continue to make our usual contributions that would be most appreciated by the Finance Committee. Online contributions can be made on the website,