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Dear Members, Friends, and Family of Grace,

We are thankful for all of you as you have been finding time to worship with us at Grace. Several times there have been concerns brought to Pastor Althea and leaders of Council about the dramatic rise in COVID-19 cases in our area. Some of you are already choosing to stay home and worship through our online service on our website. However, the Executive Committee feels that we need to be as safe as possible right now and decided unanimously to suspend our indoor Sunday services.

Our tentative reopening will be Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021. We will be in close contact to watch the local numbers and hospitals in the coming weeks. We will resume services as soon as we feel it is safe to do so. Our current groups will continue to meet and be able to use our building as usual until further notice.

With your help, we will continue recording Sunday worship. Pastor Althea and Scott will continue to provide music and preaching. We will need volunteers to be worship assistants to record our scriptures for each week. Worship continues to be an act of our faith community and involves all of us. In addition, we will be rescheduling Pastor's Retreat on January 17, 2021. Our Congregational Meeting will also be postponed. We will be taking this opportunity to continue with the updating of our sound system and video recording equipment. We are hoping to be able to record and stream live in the coming weeks.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. Let's stay healthy and be encouraged by the Spirit even when we cannot be together. God is always with us and will never leave or forsake us!

May God's peace be with you all.

In Christ,

Rev. Althea Albright, Pastor and James Foreman, Council President