



cherry creek pres

**Dear Cherry Creek Faithful,**

We continue to monitor the changing situation with the Coronavirus. We will not panic but plan to take lots of precautions, as you are very valuable to us. Some new information and requests:

We're inviting those that are over 65 to think about NOT ATTENDING CHURCH THIS WEEK for your own protection. We do not make this suggestion in fear, but rather a watching and waiting while we evaluate a changing world. God remains in charge.

The church will meet, be here and be open. However, we want to be safe and guard the vulnerable. If you are older or have any physical, heart, lung, or major ailments, please take a break from church for a few weeks, and join us online (or have your own private worship). You can stream our messages live from the the church homepage: [www.cherrycreekpres.org](http://www.cherrycreekpres.org). We are also asking anyone with cold or flu symptoms to stay at home for a few weeks.

Why are we doing this? We are committed to protecting the life and health of our church family. We love you all. Some information I have gathered from doctors in our Body who are in the know:

- Most COVID carriers are under 50, and most show no symptoms they have the disease.
- People who have traveled to at risk places may also be carriers, but the virus is already into the general population.
- The problem should peak and wane in the next four weeks. Summer will help kill it. However, there will most likely be more US deaths (like with the serious flus). Most of these will be elderly or people with co-morbid issues.
- People over 70, especially those with diabetes, heart, or lung problems are most at risk.

Our Session of Elders will meet in the next few days to discuss how to best spiritually guide our congregation through this time. As Christians, we remain confident of God's steadfast presence and careful oversight in all that is happening. We are sure that God wants us all to be

reasonable in our precautions, but not lose sight of the larger reality of what it means to follow Jesus and be on mission with him.

We are here for you. We love all ages of the people God has brought to CCPC. If you get sick, we care and will visit you. If you feel alone, we will show up. We are here, and open, and unafraid. You are always welcome. This is a temporary situation. We are one family, pulling together.

**Serving a Living Jesus,**

**Pastor Brad**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brad", written in a cursive style.