

Please share this information with friends, family, neighbors who don't have access to email.

(I am now placing the "Reminders" section at the end of these notes. I am also sending out my notes for the live broadcasts as the primary content of the notes.)

Items from today's video update:

- "This is the day the Lord has made. . . .Let us rejoice and be glad in it."
- Luther's morning prayer

"I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that you have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angels be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen."
- Feeling anxious?
 - For a telephone session with a trained counselor, you may call CrossRoads Christian Counseling at 652-0764.
 - To learn how a Stephen minister can help, call 652-6141. We will have someone get in touch with you.
- Our staff
 - Teachers are keeping their students engaged in academic pursuits.
 - Other salaried employees using the time to catch up, work ahead.
 - Hourly workers.
 - My letter to them:
 - Dual responsibility of Lead Pastor
 - Properly manage gifts entrusted to us from our members and friends
 - Care for our staff
 - Immediate emergency assistance for food and gas.
 - We have empowered direct supervisors to distribute cards.
 - Desire to help with longer-term financial needs case by case. Confidentiality will be maintained.
 - Most of our hourly workers have very reduced or totally eliminated hours.
 - Childcare
 - Kitchen
 - Custodians
 - Members of our office team
 - NO unemployment insurance. St. Lorenz has never paid into that. They can't collect.

- We are unclear as to what the government stimulus package will provide besides the amount promised to each individual, adult and child.
 - Some indication that we might be able to tap into some of the relief provided in the bill passed by Congress on Friday.
 - “Caring for Staff” special appeal is a possibility
 - “Over and above”
 - Will be part of the final package that we are working to put together
- We are taking a quick walk through St. Paul’s letter to the Philippians. While his circumstances and ours were very different, there are some similarities. Today we read Chapter 2:1-11.

Reminders:

- We are planning to have a live video update at 10:00 a.m. every weekday. It will be broadcast on Charter Channel 191, live-streamed on-line, and on Facebook Live.
- The live-stream can now be accessed simply by clicking on the “Worship” tab at the top of our church web site. We will be archiving those video updates at the bottom of the homepage under “COVID-19.”
- To receive a notification that we are live on Facebook, please “Like” the St. Lorenz Lutheran Church and School Facebook page. For those of you who don’t use Facebook, this might be a time you decide to make an exception.
- If you have a topic you’d me to talk about, please let me know. You can just reply to this email to do so. Your reply is seen only by me. If you are having trouble reaching us through church@stlorenz.org (one person couldn’t get that email address to work), feel free to email me: mbrandt@stlorenz.org
- Our Frankenmuth city leaders are doing an outstanding job of gathering information and ways to help. Please check these web sites for updates and resources:
 - www.frankenmuthcity.com
 - www.frankenmuth.org

Thanks again for your patience and cooperation! We are truly blessed to have each other – and God – to be with in this time.

We continue to thank God for His faithfulness and the hope and confidence that gives us!W

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