

Dear Family,

Undoubtedly you have questions about how your church will respond to the COVID-19/the Coronavirus. FPCH staff and leadership have been in discussions about our precautionary course of action. Like you, we are, first and foremost, concerned with the safety and well-being of our community.

In an effort to prevent the most vulnerable amongst us from falling ill (and consistent with the recommendations of the City, County, the California Department of Public Health, and the Governor's office) we will not be holding Sunday services March 15th. We anticipate Session's approval to also suspend in person worship on Sunday, March 22nd and Sunday, March 29th. Barring events beyond our control, we look forward to worshipping together on Palm Sunday, April 5th.

Our actions are precautionary and not fearful- God is our strength and courage. As Joshua was leading the Israelites into the Promised Land the LORD spoke to Joshua and commended Joshua to be strong and courageous. The LORD's commendation to Joshua is his commendation to us today as we live in the wilderness of the unknown with the COVID-19/the Coronavirus this we know:

Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go," (Joshua 1:9).

"And remember, I am [Jesus] with you always, to the end of the age," (Matthew 28:20).

Today staff met to prayerfully and purposefully determine how we will continue to minister to each other in this time. Stay tuned for more details to be communicated, but we will be posting and interacting on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/FPCHollywood/> and livestreaming our Sunday services on our website and Facebook. Most likely you will be contacted by an elder, deacon or staff person during these next few weeks as we would like to maintain community.

For now, our campus will be closed to the public on Mondays and Fridays, and there will be no receptionist on duty. For the time being staff are deciding for themselves to work remotely, in office or a combination of the two. Likewise, for any groups you are in that are under 50 people we encourage you to evaluate together how you would like to continue meeting. If weekday events will be suspended or changed, you will be receiving contact from that ministry department or leader of the event.

To ensure as many of us as possible stay connected and informed during this time, we will be communicating with you through many different mediums. You may receive the same message in multiple formats and we appreciate your grace and understanding.

We thank you for your flexibility and continued prayer during this season.

Blessings, Pastor Tim