

July 2, 2020

Dear Members of St. Stephen's,

Grace and peace from God, our Father, and our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

It's hard to believe that we've already completed a full month of worshipping together in the gym, and we are excited to say things have gone remarkably well! We are still learning and trying to change things to make the worship experience better both in person and virtually, but we as a staff are feeling really positive about how things are progressing.

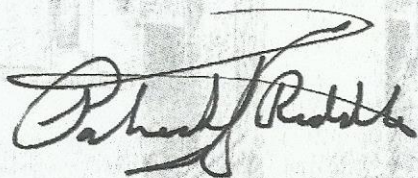
Our SSLC COVID-19 Advisory Board met this past Monday to evaluate the last month and discuss recommendations for the near future. During this discussion the board members agreed that with the current number of people attending in-person worship it would be better to offer just one service on Sundays. One service will still more than allow us to meet the safety needs of those attending. The board made an official motion to Church Council that was considered and unanimously approved to condense our Sunday in-person worship to one service at 10:00am starting Sunday, July 12th. The service will continue to be streamed on our YouTube channel.

We are still "strongly encouraging" the wearing of masks. Masks are available for anyone attending worship.

The leadership of St. Stephen's will continue to keep watch and make adjustments with the safety and well-being of our members as a main priority. As always, if you have any questions or need anything during this time please don't hesitate to contact us by calling the church office (803-359-6562), emailing one of the pastors (pat@sslc.org and/or jason@sslc.org), or calling the crisis care line (803-808-6471).

We give thanks to God for all of you and our ministry together here at St. Stephen's, and as we move forward we would ask that the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

In Christ's Love,



Pastor Pat



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