

*Dear Friends:*

*As we are all aware, the number of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations has been on the rise over the past several weeks. According to the experts, this trend will continue for several more weeks.*

*At First UMC, we have exercised extreme caution in holding our indoor services. I have decided that we will continue with these services for now, but will monitor the situation on a week-by-week basis. I have also decided that we will further limit the maximum number of persons in the sanctuary and Fellowship Hall to 50 each (total of 100). In addition, we will not be having refreshment time outside until further notice.*

*I want to thank those who have followed all the protocols that have been put in place for these services. I also want to emphasize once again that if you are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19, or if you are in one of the high risk categories, please do not come to worship on Sunday. We will continue to live stream the services on Facebook and YouTube.*

*If you have any questions, please let me know.*

*Grace, Peace, and Stay Safe!*

*Pastor Tom*