

July 13, 2020

Dear All Saints Family:

Many, many thanks for your faithful support through your offerings to enable us to pay our bills and to continue moving forward in preparation for all of us worshipping together once again at church!

Your church council is very committed to diligently working on re-opening All Saints for worship services.

We have ordered various safety material supplies including sanitizing cleaning products, no touch thermometers, automatic soap dispensers, and hand sanitizers. Our three air conditioners that are all at least 32 years old (one of which stopped working last week) that cool the sanctuary and the offices, sacristy, and the conference room will be replaced this week along with adding Respicare UV air purifiers.

On June 26th, emails and letters were sent to the 97 households of our congregation with a request for your input in re-opening the church. Each household was asked to respond by telephoning council members by July 3rd so decisions could be made at our council meeting on July 6th. Of the 97 households, we only received 32 responses. Those responses were as follows:

- 23 said they will not attend now
- 9 said they would attend church services

After a lengthy discussion at our meeting, it was determined that we will not plan to re-open at this time. We will continue to provide weekly sermons, readings, and music by Pastor Sue Ellen with the amazing help of her husband Pastor Rich Grudt who records, edits, and posts You Tube videos. You are also encouraged to visit our Facebook page for inspiring, positive, faith filled messages. Bi-monthly mailings of the Celebrate, Prayer list, and written sermons will continue to be mailed to those who do not have email.

Our next council meeting is scheduled for August 10th and we will once again address the issue of future plans to resuming in-person worship services.

In the meantime, in these difficult and stressful times, continue to keep healthy and safe, and prayfully seek God's strength, wisdom, and guidance.

Serving you in Christ,

Your All Saints Council