Updated: March 31

Hello Christ Central Fam,

I pray that this letter finds you well. We will continuously update this page with any changes, so please check back regularly. Here's the latest:

Sunday Service: Due to the 'Shelter in Place' order being extended to May 3, all "In-Person" gatherings will be suspended until then, including Sunday Service. However, we will still continue to gather virtually. You can find all the information here:

Sunday Service: Live streaming will be available on youtube, <u>facebook</u>, and <u>twitch</u>.

Friday Intercession: Please join us for a time of intercession every Friday at 8pm. Please check the newsletter for the link to join Zoom.

During this time of need, your overall health and needs are our top priority. If there's anything you need, both physical and spiritual, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. Please contact us at mercy@christcentralsf.com.

In addition, we encourage you to stay connected and find a place of community. If you want to join a community group, you can do so <u>here</u>.

Finally, we want to provide for you much-needed spiritual resources during this challenging time. We strongly encourage you to utilize them by subscribing to:

- Daily Podcasts: The pastoral staff will be hosting a podcast Monday-Friday called the "Tight Five".
- Weekly Articles: Be encouraged through our weekly articles, "The Olive Leaf", written by Pastor Jason.
- 30 Day Prayer Challenge: Join us as we pray each day at 10am for the next 30 days on Instagram.

God Bless, -Pastoral Staff Dear Christ Central Family,

As we continue to monitor COVID-19, the session has unanimously decided to suspend all ministries in April. In compliance with the California Department Public Health, in an effort to protect public health and slow the spread of COVID-19, Christ Central will cancel all meetings, including Sunday worship, at least until the end of March.

We want to reassure everyone that the decision to suspend our gatherings was not made out of fear but it was rather done out of love and compassion for our members and neighbors who are being affected by this pandemic. The safety and health of our members and neighbors is our top priority; therefore, we will heed the expert advice to promote social distancing as the preferred solution to slow the spread of the virus.

So what changes can we expect and what will our church look like this month?

Sunday Service: We will not forego our calling to worship our risen Lord. Instead, we will temporarily congregate on online spaces, via live stream. We will provide the streaming link on all our social media platforms as well as our website. **The streams will go live at 10 AM every Sunday that streaming is required.** This is a circumstantial compromise until we get back to the necessity of gathering in person.

Community Group: Although not in person, we strongly encourage you to stay in touch and continue to fellowship in the Lord through online platforms.

All Other Events/Programs: Suspended indefinitely until further notice.

My simple exhortation for our church is to continue to walk faithfully in the Lord. Live your life not out of fear but full of faith, not out of anxiety but brimming with hope, but most importantly, not for ourselves but for others. This global crisis is teaching us how fragile and broken we are. It's reminding us our desperate need of God and our need for prayer. Let us be the light and salt so that we may bring hope of Jesus to all during this difficult time.

The leadership at Christ Central remains unwavering in our commitment to the gospel and to the Bay Area. We will remain vigilant and work diligently to serve the best interest of members and neighbors. I also ask that you will continue to remember your financial generosity to Christ Central. As always, we trust the Lord to meet our needs and your giving will continue to sustain our ministry. Online giving is available on website. Please consider setting up an ongoing gift to Christ Central and if you need any help setting up online giving, please contact: office@christcentralsf.com.

Finally, COVID-19 already has and will continue to impact many individuals and families in various ways. If you are in need, whatever it may be, please let us know. If there's anything we can do, do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to being able to worship and fellowship together in person. Until then, please continue to follow CDC's recommendation for

preventative measures in order to keep your loved ones safe and healthy. May the Lord's countenance be with you all.

Humbly,

Pastor Ben Kim, on behalf of the session at Christ Central.