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*Let the righteous rejoice in the Lord and take refuge in him. Psalm 65:10a*

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Siblings in Christ,

“I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you.” My hope is that each of you are well, even during this peculiar pandemic which has beset our world.

We continue to gather to worship virtually, currently, by Zoom. It is wonderful to know so many of you can join in by computer or phone. While worship begins at 10:30, you are welcome to join earlier for fellowship which begins about 10AM. It is a time to catch up with each other; think of it as the time you would normally gather in the hallway making your way to the sanctuary and then the time, we enjoy with each other before worship begins.

Bible Study begins at 9:30 every Sunday and Sunday school for the children every other Sunday. Feel free to join us.

This Sunday, once again, we will gather around the Lord’s Table on this first Sunday of the month. Sheltering-in-place does not separate us from the Body of Christ, and it is important to celebrate the Heavenly Feast. Since we are in our separate homes, you will be **providing your own bread substance and liquid**. These should be common to your household: white bread, wheat, bagel, pop tart, etc. The blood of Christ can be represented by any liquid: juice, water, wine. Bring these to worship with you on Sunday morning.

Weekly Prayer is held on Wednesday evening at 7 PM. This is a time to lift up our concerns and joys to God. Praying for each other and the concerns that God has laid on our hearts is so vitally important especially now when so many are suffering. You may also contact me or the church office with your prayer concerns at any time.

Beginning this Thursday, we will have a fellowship time in our gathering space on Zoom. Join in at 2:30 PM to drink some coffee or tea and just chat. Perhaps we can share stories of coping with the long days of isolation and our fears of what lies ahead.

Friday evenings the children and youth gather for fellowship, games and, of course, a Bible lesson. Watch for emails from Heather for the details.

Be sure to invite your friends and family to join us on Sunday morning or any of these other gatherings. Carnegie Presbyterian Church is very active even during these shelter-in-place days. Today, more than usual, it is good to gather, even if it is only by computer or phone. All of these events use the same Zoom connection. See below for that information.

One more note: the Food Banks in Carnegie are still distributing food and the need is even greater at this time. While we are not able to gather food items together, we are still able to help our neighbors during this time of significant need. The two food banks in Carnegie are providing food on limited schedules. You will find the address’ on the next page. Please be sure **to mark on your donation “Food Pantry”**.

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Food Pantry**

330 Third Avenue  
Carnegie, PA 15106

**Salvation Army Food Pantry**

225 W. Main Street  
Carnegie, PA 15106

We give thanks for those of you who are continuing to support the church financially. We know this is a difficult time financially for some of us. While our building is closed and our expenses are decreased in that manner, we do continue to retain our staff (as you can tell they are busy doing the work of the church). So even though the offering plate is not being passed before you in worship, we encourage you to consider the ministry of Carnegie Presbyterian Church in your regular offerings and the Strive for 25 campaign.

Finally, know that I hold you in prayer every day. Feel free to call if you need prayer or just someone to talk to in these isolating days. May you feel the Peace of Christ in your heart and soul.

Serving Jesus with you

*Colleen*

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