

March 28, 2020

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

In this past week more has developed regarding this Covid-19 pandemic. In this ever-changing situation we may find ourselves fearful. Hanging on the mirror in my bathroom is a sticky note with Isaiah 41:10 "Do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand." This is there to remind me that we need not fear anything because God promises to be with us to strengthen us, to help us and to uphold us." Let us remember this promise of God in these frightening times. That they may help us feel God's peace and let go of the fear.

Your session again has prayerfully and faithfully considered how to proceed in these challenging times. They have decided that we treat this week like another snow day. This means that services will be available through Facebook Live at our regular service time, a video of the service will be available at the ESPC Youtube page and on our website shortly after the service. The service will be different than usual. This also means that there will be no Sunday school or Lenten soup supper this week.

Again, I remind you that that this was not an easy decision and that it in no way means we should fear. We need just to recall the words of Isaiah to remember God's promise to be with us, to strengthen us, to help us, and to uphold us." No virus can stop up us from being God's people and sharing Christ's peace in these unusual times if we just recall God's promises. Remember, even when we can't be together in body, we are together in Spirit.

Keep in mind if you do not have Facebook you can still join in the live stream

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If you need anything, please contact me at 610-533-5781.

In Christ Peace,

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