

Greetings Good Shepherd Family,

As you are likely aware the Omicron variant has been causing a sharp rise in Covid-19 cases in Saskatoon over the last several weeks. Last week, the Synod held a virtual town hall meeting for pastors and lay leaders to discuss the best way to respond to this latest wave. The Synod believes that it is the church's responsibility to care for its members and the wider community and they have recommended that churches move to virtual worship only until the end of January in an attempt to curb transmission. The CMT has looked over the guidelines from the Synod and has made the difficult decisions to suspend in person worship for the next two Sundays, January 23rd and January 30th. It is our belief that suspending in person worship is the best way to protect our congregation and the community around us. The CMT will reevaluate the situation at the end of January and will make a decision regarding services after that. We are disappointed to suspend services again but are confident that this pause will be for weeks as opposed to months. We will continue to offer the pre-recorded service each week and we encourage you to contact the church if there is anything that we can help you with.

In Christ,

Nathaniel Gibson – CMT Chairperson