

Hello Oakley Christian Church,

We are in unprecedented times as we face the fluid and ever changing situation of COVID-19. I wanted to let everyone know that the church will be canceling all services and activities beginning today March 18 through March 29. This includes Church services, Bible studies, small groups, Youth Group, the ladies painting event on March 28, MOPS on March 26, and the potluck dinner scheduled for March 29. We feel that it is of extreme importance to do our part to help “flatten the curve” and slow down the spread of COVID-19.

So this brings up the question, what will church service look like for the next 2 Sundays? We will be holding our service online via FaceBook beginning each Sunday at 10:30. I know that there are some who are not on FaceBook and so we will possibly be trying to use another platform as well to accommodate those who are not on FaceBook if we can pull it off.

It also raises the question of how do I give my offering and tithe? There are a few ways this can happen. First, you can always mail your gift to the church at Oakley Christian Church, PO Box 216. Second, you can bring it by the church and drop it off in the office or to reduce exposure you can place it under Rhonda’s office door after business hours. Third, you can give online via our website. If you have not created an account this would be a great time. You can do that by simply going to our website and clicking on the “Online Giving” button. We would ask you that you continue to give, even though we aren’t having church. Bills will still need to be paid but more importantly, because of this unprecedented time we will have many opportunities to be the hands and feet of Christ to our community which will require the use of our monetary resources.

I also want to remind each of you that this is a great time to get plugged into RightNow Media and all of the things they have to offer. It’s free and it is an awesome resource to use to take your mind off of all that is going on. If you have yet to sign up for that you can go to <https://www.rightnowmedia.org/account/invite/OakleyCC> to get signed up.

Lastly, we ask you to be vigilant and precautious as you do life. Check in on your elderly neighbors and friends to make sure they have the things they need and that they are doing well. If they are in need of something please let the church know how we might be able to help. Pray, Pray, Pray. Scripture reminds us that the prayer of a righteous man accomplishes much. Finally, remember that God is in control and on His throne. We have nothing to fear because He’s got it all in the palm of His hands. Know that you are loved by the God of the universe and you are loved by your church. Now sit back, take a deep breath and enjoy a little bit of unplanned time to let go and let God.

*Pastor Ja*