We Will Continue Online-Only Worship Through Labor Day

Hello Church family!

My prayer is that you are finding ways to experience life, love, and the grace of God during this pandemic season. It has been very hard on everyone. At this point we all likely know someone who has been affected by Covid. Better days are ahead, but it won't be without deep losses along the way.

As our "Back to Church" team has continued to meet and discuss a plan going forward, we wanted to hear from you! Based on the responses to the questionnaire sent out, the majority of you prefer that we meet online only until the cases go down.

Here's a snap-shot of the results from the questionnaire:

Should we reopen? 50%-No 38%-Yes 12%-Yes, but I will not be attending

When will you feel comfortable to come back? 54%-When the cases go down 34%-As soon as the doors open 12%-When we have better treatment-vaccine

Our medical experts on our team have reported that the cases continue to rise in Chatham County and our hospitals are overwhelmed with Covid 19 patients at this time. If you remember back in March, the reason for the shut-down was to avoid the hospitals being overrun. While they have measures in place to provide more beds, there's a limit and we want to do all that we can to be part of the solution and not the problem.

With all of this in mind, we are planning to continue with worship online only through Labor Day. Then, we will reassess where we are as a community. Assuming that the cases are under control by then, we'll open up again for Sunday morning worship. I know that this is deeply frustrating as we all want to get back to normal as soon as possible.

In the meantime, we are going to work extra hard to stay connected and supportive of one another. I encourage you to call each other, write letters and send cards, and pray for one another. We can get through this together.

See you soon!

"Back to Church" Team