

TUNDRA BAPTIST CHURCH November 22, 2020 www.tundrabc.com

From the Pastor. Last Sunday afternoon I got a call from a pastor friend. We both ate lunch with some Hispanic pastors a week before at the BMA of Texas meeting in Waxahachie. In the meetings most were careful to distance themselves, wear masks, along with lots of hand washing and sanitizer. A meal, on the other hand, is perhaps the most social of all occasions and you couldn't help but notice how we all crowded around the table, let down our guard and enjoyed the meal and fellowship. A little bit of normalcy! Now, back to the phone call. "I thought I should let you know," he said, "that I am sick with coronavirus." He went on to explain his symptoms and diagnosis and was trying to do the right thing and trace his contacts. Of course, my mind went back to the lunch when we sat shoulder to shoulder for about an hour. That I know of, it was my first, prolonged exposure to someone who was most likely positive with the virus. I was about 9 days out from that time, but still within the 10 - 14 days for the virus to manifest itself. That's when I decided to lay low this week and not risk exposing others. If I had known this before Sunday, I would not have been at church.

That's the dilemma we're all in now as the virus becomes more pervasive in our community. I've had reports from several in our church with similar experiences, deciding to self-quarantine because of known exposure. Others are isolating out of concern for parents or grandkids. As of now we have no positive cases in the church but as a matter of caution and care for our congregation, many of us in the high risk age group, we made the decision to suspend in-person church services this Sunday, November 22 and the 29th. We can decide about December after the Thanksgiving holidays.

Since we are not meeting in person, please join us for worship online. There are both VIDEO and AUDIO options available. Remember, just as you would for Sunday morning at church you should, 1) **Prepare** for worship, 2) **Plan** for worship. Set a time and place, invite others in your family to join you, 3) **Put your plan in practice.** In other words, be faithful to worship just as you would in person.



WATCH your distance.



WASH your hands.



WEAR a mask.

WORSHIP ONLINE. A Sunday Worship service will be on our website each week, available on Sunday morning. Just go to www.tundrabc.com on your computer, smart phone or tablet and click on the STREAMING tab. Then click on the video player and join us for worship. You can also scroll to see previous Sundays. All of the Daniel series is available, back to August 16th.

AUDIO ONLY. To make it easier for some of you who may not have enough internet connection or data to stream video, you can also select the **SERMON AUDIO** tab on the website. You will see a list with date and subject, starting with the most recent. Just click and listen. Easy as that!