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Dear Friends,

The Illinois Conference UCC recommends the **immediate suspension of all in-person worship services and all group activities in all of our local churches and settings for the foreseeable future.** Recent guidance from public health authorities, the growing number of cases in Illinois, and the rapidly shifting and ever-increasing restrictions of spaces where people will be in close contact with each other has led us to firmly believe this is the best path at this time. Diligently practicing social distancing is an act of love for those in our community and congregations. Living in covenant with each other takes many forms, and staying apart physically is currently the recommended way that will allow us to live this out. Conference leadership continues to monitor the recommendations of the federal and state agencies, and will update these recommendations as soon as it seems prudent.

We are holding each of you in prayer as you find your own unique way through this time to love and serve like Jesus.

In Christ,

Rev. Justo González, II, Interim Conference Minister

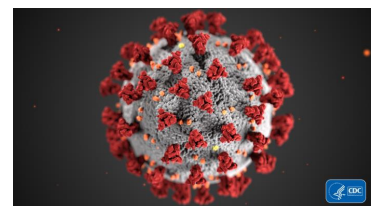
Rev. Chuck Maney, Conference President

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## Coronavirus (COVID-2019) Resources

**Illinois Conference of the United Church of Christ:**

[COVID-19 Protocols for all Illinois Conference Employees and Volunteers](#)



**United Church of Christ Office:**

[Coronavirus and the Church](#)

**United Church of Christ Mental Health Network:**

[Overcoming Isolation](#) (newsletter)

**Insurance Boards Partners in Protection:**

[Safety Central - Insurance Board Loss Control Department](#)

**Faith in Place:**

[Resource for individuals and Houses of Worship](#)

**Convergence:**

[How To Do Church Online - Join Us For a FREE Webinar on](#)  
March 22, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. in *Eastern Time (US and Canada)*

**Bookmark these resources for developing information:**

- [Center for Disease Control \(CDC\)](#)
- [FEMA, general disaster guidance for Houses of Worship.](#)
- [Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) - City of Chicago](#)

**Additional information:**

- [Pandemic Preparations: Inquiring Minds Want to Know](#)

**Advocate Faith and Health Partnerships:**

<https://www.faithhealthtransformation.org/coronavirus-covid-19-resources/>

**World Health Organization(WHO):**

[Coronavirus disease \(COVID-19\) outbreak](#)



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