



Saint James United Methodist Church

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With deep sadness and an abundance of caution, I announce that Saint James UMC will PAUSE our services for worship, prayer & reflection effective Friday, November 13, 2020.

Our congregation has carefully planned and returned to indoor gathering with pre-registration, masks, distancing, and a brief time (25 minutes) for worship since November 1, 2020. We registered 28 and 24 persons respectively for the indoor services.

The SJ Strategic Planning Team considered the recent and current COVID19 data for Maryland and for Howard County. The re-instated guidelines call for less than 25 indoor or outdoor in public or private places. So, in accordance with state and local parameters, the Team recommended to PAUSE Indoor Worship at this time.

We will monitor all data and changes in guidelines in the coming weeks and month.

Online Worship has been and will continue to be provided each week.

Please continue to tune in and invite your friends and family to worship with you online!

Giving thanks to God for bringing us along safely thus far,

Pastor Pat and the Strategic Planning Team of Saint James UMC

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