

The Path Forward

Crosscreek Family,

It is hard to believe it has been over three months since we last met in person. I am thankful in the ways you have all worked to stay connected even as circumstances beyond our control have made it necessary to meet virtually and to embrace the idea of the scattered church. In many ways, the church is always and always should be scattered. The “church” should be out of the building, amongst the hurting, offering hope to the world.

Of course, it is also nice to meet together, and I cannot wait for the day that we can do that again safely. Some churches around us have begun to meet again, some remain digital only, and others have reopened only to go back to digital only for the time being. The point is, that all of us want to meet in person, but we have different campuses and different understandings and thoughts about what meeting together safely means.

Currently, things are not trending in the right direction. However, I want you to know that we do have a team working with deep hope to prepare for the reopening of the building. This team represents staff, the member-at-large, chairs of deacons and church council, building and grounds chair, safety and security chair, and our long-time preschool teacher. This team is working to have the building ready by September 6th. In this way when the trends begin to move in the right direction, we'll be ready to meet together.

We all want to meet together, but only when we can do it safely for one another and the community and world around us. We'll have the building ready, but we will continue to look at the ever evolving situation to determine the date when we can meet together again.

Of course, as the team continues to meet (virtually) and plan for the eventual reopening, I encourage your prayers for all of us. I also encourage you to let any of us on the team know if you have any thoughts or concerns you would like to share.

I hope you remain healthy and hopeful. We worship the God Who Delivers, and God will not fail us now. In the meantime, may we remain grace filled and loving, seeking the best for one another.

Love,

Brandon