

March 18, 2020 - Wednesday

## **A Word from our Pastor - Church Office Hours & Staff Info**

First, let me say thank you to all of you who have reached out with words of appreciation, encouragement and support to staff in the last few days. Your feedback, suggestions, and kind words help immensely. I also want you to know, if you didn't already, that we have an incredible staff. We are all working together to do things we have never done before. We will continue to be creative, adapt, and do our best to continue ministry with our church family and community. Here is what is happening now:

For this week and next, the church office will be open 11-4, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. We are working to forward the church phone to staff phones and do some things to enable us to work remotely. We will adjust these hours according to the needs of the congregation and staff. Please begin to shift to communicating with staff through their cell phones and emails.

Of course, the only one whose work is not affected by all these changes is our financial secretary. The bills will continue to come in and must be paid. In consultation with the Staff Parish Committee, we are committed to paying our great staff including our hourly worker during this time. To do so, we are counting on your continued gifts. If you are not experiencing financial hardship, please continue your giving through the give button at the top of the page or through the mail (P. O. Box 541, Bainbridge, GA 39818). If you are able, you are encouraged to give to the Altar Fund, which helps people in our church and community who are experiencing financial hardship. If you have a need, please let me know.

Your staff is here for you. We know that needs will change as days go by. We are glad to adapt to meet those needs. Call on us. We love you.

Grace and peace,  
Pastor Melissa