A Note From Montview’s Coordinating Elder

Hello Montview, greetings from your Session. These are unprecedented, unique and challenging times and we are all so glad to be part of this Montview family. Our new weekly Montview @ Home services illustrate how fortunate we are to have this HOME.

We wanted you to know that Session is still meeting – just not in person. For our March meeting we all joined via Zoom. If you have ever used this system you know you can click on gallery view and everyone’s picture pops up. For those of you who are old enough, (and those of you who are a fan of 70’s television) we did indeed feel like we were on an episode of the *Brady Bunch!* The honest truth is being able to gather and share some laughs along with business was just what we needed.

This month we focused on how Montview is adapting and responding to this crisis. We made decisions about starting an emergency fund to help our own members and others impacted by COVID-19. We discussed the status of the projects funded through the capital campaign. The best part of our meeting was learning all the wonderful work being done by the Montview staff to make sure that worship would continue each Sunday. Their creativity and love for all of you shines so clearly! We also learned about the plans made by our outstanding team of Deacons who are determined that the care of our parishioners continues even while we practice social distancing. Like all of you, we also expressed our personal concerns and sadness at the loss of connections with no adult education, services, choir practices, youth activities etc., but we all know this time of being forced to step away from our building does not diminish our love for each other. Session will meet monthly, or whenever necessary, to keep addressing the ever changing needs of our staff and congregation.

We look forward to the simple pleasure of arriving at church on a Sunday morning and saying hello to all of you!

On behalf of the Session, take care and be safe,

Lorraine Alcott

Coordinating Elder
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