**Message from the FBC Staff Regarding the Coronavirus**

In response to general health concerns created by the Coronavirus in the community, First Baptist Church will continue to hold regular worship services and other regular activities until such time as local health officials require or request churches to alter their activities for the general health and well-being of the community.

Much is happening in our world that sometimes makes us anxious and concerned. The church staff is aware of those concerns and is working to make sure we are sensitive to the situation and doing everything possible to keep everyone safe from illness.

Here is what we are doing:

* Hand sanitizer dispensers are located throughout the building and will be kept operational for your use
* All areas of the church are being sanitized regularly
* We are closely monitoring actions by the schools and government to make the best decisions for services and activities at First Baptist
* We will update procedures as information becomes available as to what is best for the church family
* We will keep you informed about any changes in schedule or activities

Here is what you can do:

* Stay at home if you are sick whatever that illness might be
* Cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing
* Wash your hands often and thoroughly
* Limit greetings to fist or elbow bumps instead of handshaking
* Make the decision about attending church that is best for you and your family
* Stay informed about schedule and other changes at the church
* Please continue your financial support of the church even when you are not present

As we have been talking about for some months now, the most important thing we can do now is Pray. Pray for those infected with the virus. Pray for those having to make difficult decisions that affect many lives. Pray for our church as we navigate this situation to do what is best for our families and our church. Pray for each other for health and good decisions. Pray that we will all continue to shine the light of Christ in this difficult situation. Pray that we will exhibit trust in God in the midst of fear.

***6****Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.****7****And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6-7*