

Greetings.

As many of you are aware, churches are included in the provincial government's reopening plan Phase 3 effective June 8th. The St. Martin's board met last night and will be following the recommendations of the Living Skies Regional Council and not reopening the church at this time. There are too many intricacies to make reopening a viable possibility at this point.

The board will strike a group of lay people to act with our four staff as a transition team to begin work immediately. Their role will be to wade through all of the requirements/considerations/implications and make recommendations about what, when and how some aspects of reopening might become possible and occur taking into consideration staff health, user group needs and the best interests of those most vulnerable in our congregation.

As that group processes its work, communications will be sent to advise you of any changes to our current state of closure. In the meantime our building will remain closed.

I have included links to the various statements by the Living Skies Regional Council, the national church and provincial government in this regard.

If you have concerns or questions please be in touch with Jordan, myself or Brandy.

Warm regards
Keith

***A [discernment process](#) (PDF format)

***A [template for writing your plan](#) (Word document- this will download automatically, so check your downloads folder)

These join previous important core church resources:

General Council's outline [of re-opening considerations](#);

a letter from [Living Skies Regional Council leadership](#);

and a [letter from our Executive Minister](#).

And of course all of our re-opening or "remaining online/ by mail only" conversations are shaped by evolving provincial health regulations that we must follow. These are:

[New guidelines for places of worship](#)

[Saskatchewan re-opening plans](#)