

In-Person Worship suspended through Easter

This past Monday Bishop Benhase wrote to the deacons and priests of the Diocese to offer new guidance based on information coming from the CDC and from Presiding Bishop Michael Curry. He wrote, "as much as it grieves me to decide this, we need to cancel in-person worship for Holy Week and Easter," and added, "We still are on the upside of the curve and until we are on the downside, we must do this."

Bishop Benhase said that he will work with the Diocesan Staff to livestream liturgies each Wednesday at 6 p.m. and Sunday at 10 a.m. with additional liturgies online in Holy Week. These are not to replace the livestream worship many congregations are offering, but to make sure every congregation in the Diocese has online worship they can offer, by pointing their parishioners to these diocesan liturgies. Tonight, the Diocese will offer Evening Prayer at 6 p.m. via Facebook Live and the Diocesan Youtube Channel. This coming Sunday Bishop-Elect Logue will officiate a service of Morning Prayer and preach. In addition, Compline via Zoom video call will be offered each Tuesday and Thursday at 8 p.m. through the Diocese of Georgia Youth Ministries.

Bishop Benhase closed the letter writing, "Pray for one another. Pray for your neighbors. Pray for those who have contracted the virus and for those who have died. Pray for those whose fear makes them feel under judgment. Pray for those who judge those who are fearful."



The Baker Family watches at home in Valdosta as Victoria Logue reads the lessons for last Sunday's diocesan live-streamed worship from St. Michael and All Angels, Savannah.