

# First UMC Starke News

## Church Updates on COVID-19 / Coronavirus



Update #2 - Thursday, March 26th

### CHURCH AT HOME Starts This Sunday!

We are so excited to meet with you this Sunday, March 29th, online at 10AM. We have been praying for you and your family. Tune in weekly each Sunday for a message from Pastor Mike Moore that will strengthen your faith. The title of this week's message is "Why Does God Allow Suffering". CHURCH AT HOME will be online at [firstumc.cc](http://firstumc.cc). April 5th's message will be "If God Really Loves Us, Why Do We Die?"

### Virtual Communion

Bishop Carter of the Florida Conference is allowing churches in this unique season to do Communion virtually over the internet. We are planning to do this next Sunday, April 5th during our CHURCH AT HOME online service. To participate with us, all you will need is grape juice and some bread. We will send out more details next week!

### Do You Check Email?

We want to be good stewards as we send out our USPS weekly mailers. If you receive church emails or would like to and are okay to get information that way specifically, would you let us know by sending us an email to [info@firstumc.cc](mailto:info@firstumc.cc). We would then send you less USPS mail as email would become your primary source for church info.

### Ways To Give

One of the greatest examples we can have as followers of Jesus in this time is to live generously. The easiest way to give in this season is online at [firstumc.cc/giving](http://firstumc.cc/giving). You can make a one time gift or even setup automated giving so your tithe comes out automatically when you want it to. Your church is still doing ministry and managing expenses. Even though we can't attend physical church right now there are multiple ways to give. A door slot is installed at church on the kitchen door that you can drop your checks in. You can also mail a check with the self-addressed envelopes that will come in our weekly mailer.

### Church Campus Still Temporarily Closed

For the health of our community and guidelines provided by the Bishop of the Florida Conference of the United Methodist Church as well as the CDC & government officials, all worship services, office hours and campus activities have been postponed until further notice. You can leave a voicemail with any needs at the church office (904) 964-6864 and we will follow up. As always, for ongoing church updates go to [firstumc.cc](http://firstumc.cc).