



# The Presbytery of Susquehanna Valley

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Dear Friends and fellow sojourners in the Presbytery of Susquehanna Valley,

As Moderator during this pandemic, I want you all to know first and foremost that you are all in my prayers. The Cabinet met virtually on Tuesday night to pray and talk about how we can best support our congregations, members, and pastors. We are grieving over how much is still unknown, but we feel like we are putting some pieces in place that will help us stay connected and support each other in the difficult days ahead.

You have already received the notice from Pastor Dave Johnson about the grant we are making available to each congregation. You can use it to get internet access for your church if you don't already have it, or buy a web camera if you want to try streaming or recording your service, or use it in other ways to minister to your congregation in this time of social distancing. Be sure to tell us what creative thing you have done so we can all share in the good news!

Elder Scott Kindig has been working to make a Google Suite account for each congregation, and a page of instructions and information about how to access and use this resource is attached.

We have created a page of other resources on the presbytery website for use during this time; Pastor Lisa Heckman has agreed to curate the resources so you can find links and help in one place. We are working with the Commission on Ministry to develop a regular system of check-in calls to each congregation, and if you know of a particular need in your congregation or town, please reach out to me, or to a member of Cabinet, or to COM.

Finally, I will create a Zoom meeting each Tuesday at 5:30 pm for a chat about how things are going. It is primarily aimed at cabinet members and committee/commission chairs, but I'd love to hear from any or all of you, to pray and to brainstorm and to support each other on the way.

I will continue to send a weekly email as long as things continue to change quickly, and perhaps even longer if there is news to share.

And may the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of God's son, Jesus Christ, and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, today and always. Amen.

Pastor Kimberly