

NOTE FROM MARK

Hi Ridge Community,

I want to thank you for joining us online and congratulate you on completing your very first all-digital weekend. When The Ridge Community Church first began in 2006, I never imagined that we would be hold services this way. If this weekend has taught us anything, it's that nothing can stop God's mission and that His Church has reached a new milestone in its history: the arrival of the digital age of the church. Now that we've gone through one weekend digitally, you might be wondering, *what about next weekend?*

As you may have seen, Wisconsin's governor has mandated [the statewide closure of all K-12 schools](#) and the president, in cooperation with the CDC, has issued new mandates urging people to **avoid gathering in groups of 10 or more.**

Given these new mandates and because we're still leading with the question *what's the wise thing to do?*, **The Ridge's physical campuses will not hold in-person services and will continue to go digital until Sunday, April 5 in order to protect the health and safety of our community.** We will reevaluate this date as we continue to learn more.

Here's one thing you should remember: **God is not surprised by any of this and is in control even when we feel like we have none.** Everything is going to be okay. Instead of feeling anxious, we can respond with *anticipation* for what God will do through His digital church. Here's how you can do that and why you should tune in:

1. **Attend The Ridge digitally for a special three-week series called *Fear Not*.**
 - We're pausing our current *Signs* series to talk about why we don't have to be afraid during times like this.
 - New messages will continue be available to livestream Thursdays | 7p at live.theridgecc.com, Apple TV, and Roku and follow our regular rebroadcast schedule.
 - Join us immediately after each livestream for a **Facebook Live** with me where I'll answer your questions about that week's message.

- Catch up on or share our previous series [Anxious for Nothing](#) with a friend.
2. **Continue to give or start giving digitally.**
 - Now more than ever have we seen the benefit of investing in our digital presence, and your giving continues to help us reach more people to find and follow Jesus.
 - Don't let your attendance at a physical campus determine your obedience to God.
 - You can give at theridgecc.com/give, on our app, via texting or Pushpay.
 3. **Connect with us on social for the latest updates.**
 - You can find us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#) for the latest updates as we expect things can and will change rapidly.
 4. **Let us know how we can pray for you by texting HOPE to (414)509-0339** and a real person will answer and would be glad to pray with you. Our staff will also be reaching out to every person in our database during this time to see how we can serve you best.

One last thing I want to leave you with: we've created a special webpage to streamline all of this and to make it easy for you to share information with friends and family about attending The Ridge digitally. It's all available at theridgecc.com/coronavirus . Check this page often as we'll have new details and features available as we learn more. Until then, [please let us know](#) if you have any questions, and we'll be glad to help.

God is taking us on a journey into the digital, and I know that it's going to wonderfully impact our communities and our world in ways that we can't even imagine.

See You Online,



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