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actively pursuing spiritual growth and compassionate outreach"*

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Letter to the Congregation of First United Church

Hey Folks

April has arrived and we are nearing Easter and new beginnings. Many of you, I know, have begun to receive vaccination and the end of this pandemic may be in sight. There are still hurdles that our country must get over to declare victory. As I write both Regina and Moose Jaw are entering lockdowns again because of variants of COVID 19. In our area there is cautious optimism. We continue to support each other and Zoom in on Sundays.

Today I want to share with you the decisions that have been made on your behalf by Church Council. Last Thursday Council met to discuss plans moving forward and made three decisions in regards to our COVID-19 response:

- 1. We will open our church to small groups of up to 30 people; each group must maintain provincial guidelines.**
- 2. We will continue to restrict funerals and weddings to 30 people.**
- 3. Finally, our church will be open for in-person worship on Sunday, September 12, 2021 provided everyone has had the opportunity to be vaccinated, that case numbers in Swift Current are at an acceptable level and that we can meet the Saskatchewan Health Guidelines. With the final decision to be made at the August Council meeting.**

These decisions were agreed to after much discussion and consideration of what we were hearing from you as congregation members. I thank you for your continued support and look forward to Zooming in with you Sunday mornings. I am looking forward to having the greatest Welcome Back Sunday ever in September. As always if you have any thoughts or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Peace Be Upon You

Kevin Hanna

Chair of Council
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