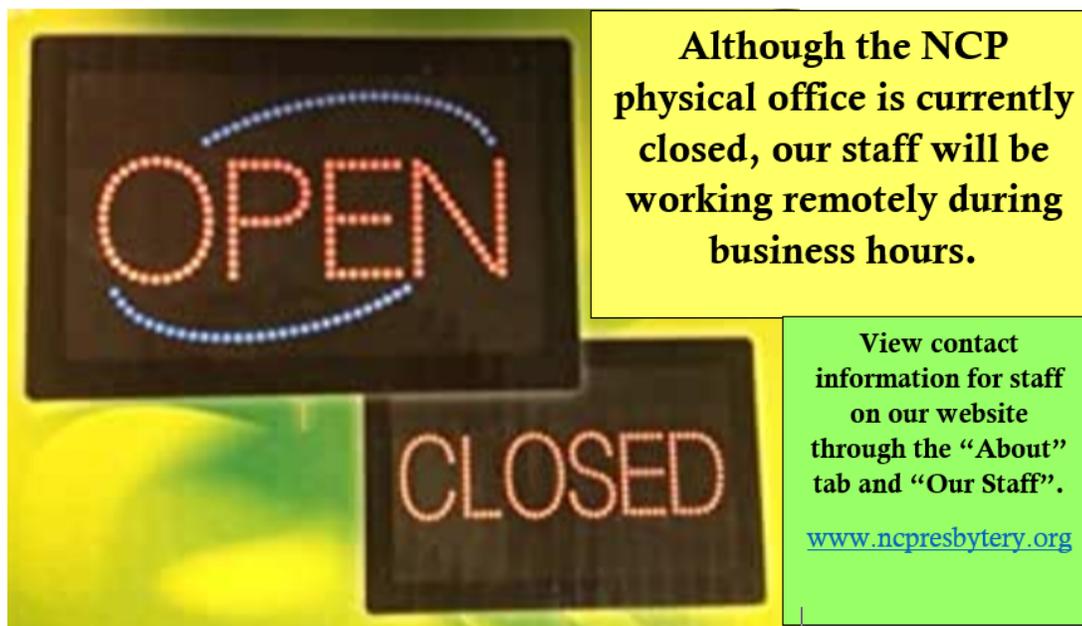


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Presbytery Friends,

It's amazing how times can change in less than a week. Since our last Midweek publication (dated March 11, however published Friday, March 13), we received a few important updates to articles from that edition:

- CANCELLATIONS:
 - Delawareans for Palestinian Human Rights, April 2, 2020
 - Presbyterian Women Spring Retreat, April 17-19, 2020
 - Peace Drums Steel Band tour scheduled for April, 2020

Additionally, New Castle Presbytery's Matthew Action Committee (MAC) has embarked on two initiatives for your consideration. These initiatives were shared with beach retreat participants and is now available for all to participate. Information and links for contact include:

- Bonds - Through a grant from IGNITE, MAC partners with Parish Resource Center in Lancaster, PA, and Immigration Bond and Advocacy Effort (IBAE), to provide bond money to undocumented persons. *View the flyer through [this link](#).*

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in supplying travel kits to immigrants leaving detention. View the flyer through [this link](#).

And lastly (as indicated in the image above), New Castle Presbytery staff are observing social distancing and have closed the physical office to the public through Friday, March 29. We will assess progress weekly and may update as suggested by local and federal agencies. Staff are, however, working remotely during normal business hours (Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.). Our email and cell phone information is located on our website (www.ncpresbytery.org, ABOUT tab and OUR TEAM). As indicated on the webpage, place your cursor on each staff member to obtain contact information.

As we continue to navigate the pandemic which blankets so many today with a compass which seems to change directions hourly, we pray:

Gracious and loving God,

Calm our wary hearts and fill our troubled minds with hope and peace. Let us be reminded that you have a plan and a purpose for us in this time of turmoil. Show us your ways Lord and grant us the courage to follow where you lead.

Amen.

Always in our mutual calling,

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