

**NOTICE OF A STATED MEETING**  
of the  
**PRESBYTERT OF DETROIT**  
9:00 A.M., March 21, 2020  
Grosse Ile Presbyterian Church

**The Presbytery meeting  
scheduled for Saturday, March 21, 2020,  
has been cancelled.**

The leadership of Coordinating Cabinet has cancelled the March 21<sup>st</sup> Presbytery meeting and the Post-Presbytery event, "*include title of program.*"

Considerations prompting this decision are:

- Two incidents of corona virus have been identified in Michigan -- one in Oakland County and one in Wayne County.
- Governor Gretchen Whitmer has declared a state of emergency around the corona virus, recommending large assemblies be cancelled or postponed.
- The General Assembly of the PCUSA is encouraging presbyteries and congregations to seriously consider cancelling large gatherings, even as the GA is cancelling staff travel and GA level events happening in March.
- Presbytery has received notifications that some people have concerns about attending the meeting.

The next Presbytery meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 16, 2020, at the Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church in Livonia.

As of this time, the committees of Presbytery will meet on their regularly scheduled dates. Also, we have received word from Westminster Church that the custodial staff is increasing its daily cleaning and sanitizing of all public areas. The Presbytery Office will be fully staffed and open.

Congregations are urged to avoid panic, but rather seek the welfare of their members during this time of uncertainty surrounding the coronavirus. We invite Sessions and Pastors to review the recommendations from the State of Michigan and also the Guidance for Congregations prepared by the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance office (*include link here*), then establish protocols that are appropriate for your congregation.

We solicit the prayers of the Presbytery for all those affected by the coronavirus in our state, our country, and throughout the world.