

Priority Planning - Week by Week

Questions to ask yourself:

- What needs to be done each week and why is it necessary? Be honest and realistic!
- Who can help you with what needs to be done?
- How can it be done remotely/with social distancing in mind?

Guidelines for the week:

- See to your/family needs first.
- Rest. Take a walk. Eat well. Pray.
- Keep things as simple as possible.
- Being “pastoral” doesn’t mean taking care of everyone or being available all the time. Set boundaries and keep them as you normally would.
- Engage church members and see what they might offer to the faith community. Zoom coffee hour? Lead morning or evening prayer online? Chat group?

Tips for online worship services:

- 1). Simple is OK. Imperfections are fine. Grace is abundant!
- 2). Partner with another church re: live streaming or recording a service for a particular Sunday. Take turns providing the service to both congregations every other Sunday.
- 3). Re: Preaching - Share/trade recorded sermons for a particular Sunday. Also allows parish members to hear a different/new voice.
- 4). If you record a service, leave plenty of time for uploading the recording to YouTube, Facebook, etc. Upload times are slower given increased use of social media.