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To: all clergy

RE: Prayer Services for COVID-19

Greetings in the Name of our Lord!

Some elderly clergy of our Diocese known as 'Indigenous Spiritual Ministry of Mishamikoweesh, have called for Prayer Services regarding the COVID 19. They have been talking together through conference calls the last couple of weeks. The service will consist of intercessory prayers to our God the Creator that we would be spared from this virus COVID-19 and that our people may not be impacted. This group of clergy is directing the ministers/layreaders to do the following;

- Have the prayer services every week on Fridays at 7:00 pm cst.
- The Prayer Service will start on Friday, May 8th, 2020 and run until June 26th, 2020.
- At the end of this period, the clergy will decide if it should continue. This will depend on the COVID situation.
- This service is to take place at the churches.
- A total of 5 people should attend.
- We encourage that a council member be present at the Prayer Service.

The Archdeacon Ananias Winter directs that each community have a red flag outside the Band Office. This red flag should be blessed first. This is to follow the story of the Israelites in Exodus Chapters 11 and 12, for their deliverance from the Angel of death. They were instructed by God that they mark their doors with the blood of the lamb. Upon seeing this, the Angel of death would bypass this house and no death would occur. We read the Israelites complied with this instruction and were spared.

We continue to pray for you, the leadership of the communities in this challenging time. We pray that this virus may not reach our people and that we ask God our Maker for protection.

The Chiefs of Mishamikoweesh communities have been informed of this initiative.

Blessings to all,

+Lydia Bishop of Mishamikoweesh