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Dear LCC family,

As you know, COVID numbers in our area are rapidly climbing. Other ELCA churches in Bismarck/Mandan have either never gone back to in-person worship, have recently voted to go back to all-online, or are considering that move.

We at LCC have been lucky, because our space, controlled traffic patterns and terrific cooperation with mask-wearing have made it possible for us to continue to worship in person, in reduced numbers. Thank you all for that! Some time ago, Governor Burgum set out guidelines where counties would move to the red (critical) level if the 14-day rolling positivity rate went above 15%. We have been above that for several days now, and yet that call has not been made. However, with the ever-increasing numbers in mind, and our continued concern for the safety of all worshippers, worship team and staff, the LCC council voted Tuesday night to check that Burleigh/Morton positivity rate each Monday noon. If it hits 18%, we will go back to **online only** worship services, confirmation, and church school. We will let you know immediately if that move is made.

Continuing to pray for the health and safety of all,  
Krisi Kunz, Church Council President  
on behalf of  
LCC Council and Staff