

## Prairie Spirit Responds to Code Red

On Tuesday, November 10, 2020 the Premier and Chief Public Health Officer of the province of Manitoba announced that the province of Manitoba would move into CODE RED. Further restrictions came into effect as of Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 12:01 a.m. for the period until December 11, 2020. Those restrictions include the closure of non-essential businesses and the closure of churches and other faith based organizations to in person worship.

Complete details of the public health order are now posted online at:

[https://www.gov.mb.ca/asset\\_library/en/proactive/2020\\_2021/orders-soe-11122020.pdf](https://www.gov.mb.ca/asset_library/en/proactive/2020_2021/orders-soe-11122020.pdf)

In compliance with the Code Red restrictions, our building will be closed to the public and worship at Prairie Spirit has been moved on line. A link to the Sunday services will be emailed to the congregation each week. It will be posted on the PSUC website as well as the outdoor sign.

Our Media Team, Minister and Music Director will be permitted to access the building for taping of the Sunday services. Prior to Christmas there may be a couple special guests who will participate in their part and then leave. Following safety precautions, using masks and social distancing, there can be more than 5 people if needed but within reason and only as needed for the taping or live stream production.

Our Office Administrator will be in the building during the morning, Tuesday to Friday and will be adhering to all COVID 19 protocols. The church will not be open to drop in visits from congregants or the general public.

If you need to speak with Reverend DuVal or our Office Administrator please phone (204) 832-1000 or email [office@prairiespirituc.org](mailto:office@prairiespirituc.org)

Funerals and weddings, indoors or outdoors, will be restricted to a maximum of five people plus one officiant. Cohorts of five person groups in separate physical rooms with separate entrances and washrooms will **not** be allowed during this time.

The Portage Avenue Food Bank, which operates out of Prairie Spirit United Church every second Friday, is permitted to continue. The number of workers will be limited and all COVID 19 safety protocols will be followed.