Weather Cancellation Policy Circle of Faith Parish

While we believe in the importance of regular worship and bible study, we also value the lives of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Therefore, the following policy is in place for all of the Circle of Faith Parish congregations when the weather deems it necessary to cancel or postpone events at any of our churches.

In the event of severe weather conditions or other emergency conditions, the Lead Pastor will make any final decision on closing the parish office, canceling or postponing events. For situations that effect a weekday and the status of the parish office, the Lead Pastor will contact all Circle of Faith Parish pastors and employees. A decision will be made based on the current and future forecasted weather conditions.

For weekday events:

- A decision regarding morning activities will be made no later than 7:00 am.
- A decision regarding afternoon activities will be made no later than 10:00 am.
- A decision regarding evening activities will be made no later than 3:00 pm.

For Sunday Worship:

- A decision will be made no later than 6:00 am.

To make an educated decision regarding Sunday morning worship, the Lead Pastor will consult with all Circle of Faith Parish pastors as well as each church council president. Each council president is encouraged to contact at least two (2) members of their council (preferably ones who live in different areas of the parish) in order to get a fairly clear picture of the road conditions. Each council president will report to the Lead Pastor along with their recommendation on the status of the worship services. The Lead Pastor makes the final decision. In the event that the Lead Pastor is on vacation or the position is vacant, the Associate Pastor and the Parish Council President will jointly make the final decision. If one of the Circle of Faith Parish congregations cancel, all worship services in the parish are cancelled.

If it is deemed necessary to postpone or cancel a(n) event(s) at Circle of Faith Parish, the following methods of communication will be utilized:

- Radio
 - o 1370 AM KSUM (Fairmont)
 - 98.1 FM & 1560 AM KBEW (Blue Earth)
 - o 1190 AM KKOJ (Jackson)
- Facebook Circle of Faith Parish's page
- Website <u>www.circleoffaithparish.org</u>
- Waverly Lutheran & St. Peter Lutheran phone tree

Due to the unpredictability of the weather, the procedure for making decisions is subject to change. Sometimes a situation will make it necessary to close, cancel or postpone events without advanced warning.

Even if a church related event is still taking place, please be smart and make your own decision to be safe.

Weather Policy Instructions

- Radio
 - Announcement:
 - Worship and Sunday School at Circle of Faith Parish congregations are cancelled.
 - Fairmont (507-235-5595)
 - 106.5 FM KFMC
 - 1370 AM KSUM
 - Call the station office and the announcement will be put on the air on both stations
 - Blue Earth (507-526-2181)
 - 98.1 FM KBEW
 - 1560 AM KBEW
 - Call the station office and the announcement will be put on the air on both stations (DJs go live at 6am)
 - Jackson (507-847-5400)
 - 105.7 FM KRAQ
 - 1190 AM KKOJ
 - Call the station office and the announcement will be put on the air on both stations
- Facebook
 - Circle of Faith Parish Page
- Website
 - Circle of Faith Parish website announcement
- Text
 - \circ $\;$ Mass text to everyone on the list