



PRESBYTERY OF  
SAN GABRIEL



## Message from Executive Presbyter, Rev. Wendy Tajima

Some of you may have heard a sudden declaration from President Trump regarding in-person worship services. Please note that this Presbytery continues to respect the knowledge of our health experts in Los Angeles County, the guidance of our denominational leaders, and our lessons from the Bible that guide us to glorify God by caring for each other, protecting the vulnerable, and appreciating that we can worship God in many ways in all places.

Please note that churches will worship when their session deems it safe, following the guidelines for safe in-person worship practices (which have not even been developed yet), and I hope taking into account the information shared by public health experts and the wisdom of the larger church. As Presbytery Executive, I urge you to wait until your church has thought through and prepared for the needs to reduce the risk of illness, you have ensured that those who should not be exposed to the virus continue to be served through virtual worship, and we as a presbytery are confident that we have decided to move forward in accord with our larger community.

Thank you for your faithful service,  
Wendy Tajima

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