

**A Message to those Facing Floods
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Dear Friends,

I wish I could be with you during these difficult days.

I can hardly imagine what you are going through:

- Some of you have lost homes;
- Some of you have lost businesses;
- Some of you are looking at the possibility of losing your beloved church building;
- And many of you are working alongside your neighbor—doing all you can.

These ARE difficult days. You are weary. You are frightened. You are grieving and what the future holds is still uncertain.

I want you to know that you are not alone. I have received messages from United Methodist across the nation telling me they are holding you in prayer. And, when the waters subside, they are offering teams to come to your aid.

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can floods drown it.” Solomon 8:7

I recently hear these words from the Song of Solomon. Please know that love is being sent to you from across the United Methodist Church and Beyond, and even “floods cannot drown it.”

So for now:

- + We do all we can.
- + We pray all we can

And we remember the works of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ...

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.” John 14:27

May God bless you and keep you ... And may you know you are not alone.

Bishop Deb

