May 17, 2020

Dear Community Members –

We, the leadership of the Bothell Community Kitchen (BCK), have been staying alert to the food insecurity in our area and strive to contribute to solutions using our resources in the most effective way possible. Throughout our 10 year history, in addition to our freshly made hot meals, a very important component of our program has always been gathering and building community in personal connection with one another, which of course is not possible for the foreseeable future.

Effective immediately, BCK will go on hiatus until further notice. We will, however, continue to care for our neighbors who need food. There are local agencies who have increased their food pantry and meal capacities and have requested assistance. The BCK leadership team will be transferring our energy to support these programs.

The financial cost that would have been incurred for weekly meal preparation will be donated to Hopelink to support their food programs. We have also donated canned pantry supplies to the Northshore Senior Center to support their pantry meal program. We will continue to be in conversation with them as well as the school district to make sure that we continue to support community meal programs.

Please go to the Northshore Nourishing Network website to stay updated on current meal and food pantry availability. The Northshore Senior Center has to-go meals M-F 11:45 am – 12:45 pm and a pop-up pantry Tuesdays and Fridays. Please see their website for more details.

Thank you for your past and continued support, if you have any questions, please email kristin@bothellumc.org, or phone (425)486-7132.

In community,

Claudia Haskins, Barbara Wong, Barb Bailey, Marsha & Gary Stueckle and Rev. Kristin Joyner

The BCK Leadership Team