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Greetings Sir Knights and Ladies

It is my greatest hope that December finds all of you happy and well. What a trying time in our history to experience. It reminds me how small we are, and how the Grand Architect has his own plan that we may not see in full yet.

It is hard to believe that the holiday season is fast approaching. Masonry always plays a large role during this season, that will look and feel different this year. Who would have ever believed we would be faced with decisions like choosing a large family gathering for the holidays, or our safety and health? This year the joy of holiday meals together may not be worth the risk. As I have said before, keep in mind that all of us are in a different place with this pandemic and our beliefs on how it should be handled. As chivalric men we must always respect other beliefs and perspectives, even if they do not match our own.

Many members have noticed the new look of masonic meetings, we are Zooming, having some small gatherings, and adjusting as we go. Early this month, the Grand Encampment will be making decisions on whether or not to amend General Order Number 12. What this will look like is yet to be determined. It may be left up to the discretion of each state whether to hold inperson meetings or not, with the possibility of combined hybrid Zoom/in-person meetings. Keep in mind, whatever is decided will be the best for the whole.

Blue Lodges, Chapters and Councils are all starting to meet again, It would behoove us to make sure that we are practicing our ritual so that when more are ready to join our ranks we are ready to meet the demand. Zoom meetings, small groups, and any other creative ways you can safely think of to get together and practice would be great. We can find a silver lining in the fact that we could use this time to perfect our ritual. I look forward to a time when we can all come together, and enjoy each other's company and the fraternity again.

The Grand Commandery is working on a Christmas service that will be held on Zoom, please watch for coming details.



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