PRESS RELEASE
SEMINARY RIDGE MUSEUM
MARCH 12, 2020

In cooperation with the United Lutheran Seminary COVID-19 Task Force
Seminary Ridge Museum leadership has continued to diligently monitor
government health organizations and the actions of area colleges, universities,
and museums. At the same time, we have been preparing plans of action that
put the health and well-being of our staff and visitors at the forefront.

There have been no reported cases of COVID-19 in Gettysburg. However, the
number of confirmed cases in Pennsylvania and the surrounding states
continue to rise. **At this stage, the most proactive approach is to prevent
the spread of the virus by canceling all Museum programs and
temporarily closing the Museum beginning March 13, 2020.**

We will continue to monitor the situation and will follow the advice of public
health leaders and United Lutheran Seminary’s COVID-19 Task Force
concerning a re-opening of the Museum. An announcement about re-opening
will be made as soon as possible.

We understand that this decision will disrupt long-made plans and will result
in some deep disappointment. However, please keep in mind this is an
unprecedented situation that affects individuals and communities well
beyond Seminary Ridge Museum. Our goal is to act in a proactive manner that
will help reduce the spread of the virus within and beyond our community.