

Saint Andrew Lutheran Church | *Plan to Gather*

Criteria for Phase Transition

Council Approved – January 28, 2021

Data from the State DHS website will guide our decisions: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/local.htm>

The Plan to Gather task force will look at the data specific to Marathon County every Wednesday, tracking:

- Date Data is recorded
- Burden - defined as number of COVID cases per 100,000 population
- Burden Status*
- Trajectory
- Current Phase of the Saint Andrew *Plan to Gather*

The guiding authority for our decision making will be recommendations from the Wisconsin Council of Churches for "Returning to Church." <https://www.wichurches.org/2021/01/14/returning-to-church/> focusing on burden status which is impacted by vaccination rates and percent positive cases.

We will return to gathering in **THREE PHASES** detailed in the document, "*Plan to Gather.*"

- Each phase will be held for 4 consecutive weeks before moving to the next phase, regardless of data – allowing for two full incubation cycles of COVID-19.
- If in phase 2 or 3, we will fall back to the previous phase if an increased burden occurs resulting in a "moderately high" or higher activity level for two consecutive weeks.
- When gathering in Phase 2 or 3 training is conducted for volunteers assisting with worship and custodial support is available at 50% with volunteers in place for cleaning.

We remain in **Phase ONE** while these things are true:

- Burden rates are Moderately High, High, Very High, or Critically High

We move to **Phase TWO** when:

- Burden rates are Moderate
- Four weeks of downward or no change trajectory

We move to **Phase THREE/Return to Full Functioning** when:

- Burden rates are Moderate or Low
- Four weeks of downward or no change trajectory

*Burden Status Notes

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| ➤ Low = Burden # is < or equal to 10 | ➤ High = Burden # is > 100 |
| ➤ Moderate = Burden # is > 10 but < 50 | ➤ Very High = Burden # is > 350 |
| ➤ Moderately High = Burden # is > 50 but < 100 | ➤ Critically High = Burden # is > 1,000 |