

April 6, 2021

"Roads?! Where we're going, we don't need roads."

-Doc, Back to the Future (1985)

"With God, all things are possible."

-Jesus, Matthew 19:26

As the DeLorean sped up, the road seemed to be disappearing as Doc tells Marty and Jennifer that roads won't be necessary for the year 2015 in the movie back to the future. Doc seemed to know something Marty didn't: that in 2015 cars would fly.

A recent article flashed across my feed, "What if I don't want to go back to my prepandemic life?" As church plans to gather in the near future, what the gathering will look like will feel dissonant from what things were like pre-pandemic. The gathering itself will have changed, the people who attend will have changed, the way worship is held will look new.

It's going to take a while to adapt to life "without roads." But if we worry about running out of road we might miss the joy of driving in the air.

The resurrection of Jesus upended the way that people faith experienced life with God. No longer was the order for living "life then death." When reversed to "death then life," it compelled those first followers of Jesus to live life with courage that the change in the way God related to humankind was for the better.

As we begin to dream about post-pandemic life, the need for God's unconditional love does not change, but how we get there may. With Easter faith, disruption is not a threat – it's an invitation. In your life, your work, your relationships – with Christ – all things are possible!

Pastor Jenn



Sunday Worship in the Season of Easter

Sunday, April 11
10:30 am Livestream –
The installation of Bishop Anne
Edison-Albright
***There will be no 9:00 am
livestream or in person
outdoor worship***
Worship online with the whole
synod to celebrate the ministry
we share with
our new bishop. Pr. Jenn is
chairing the installation team
and will be in Appleton

to support the worship service led by Presiding Bishop of the ELCA,
The Rev. Elizabeth Eaton. Pr. Justin will be on vacation on this Sunday following Easter.

This means there will be not be a normal livestream service on Sunday, April 11thrather, a livestream shared by the Synod in which we will worship together.

Weekly in person worship resumes Sunday, April 18

Based on the Saint Andrew *Plan to Gather* criteria, regular weekly opportunities to worship and gather in person will begin on April 18. A mailing from council with more details will be mailed and e-mailed on Monday, April 12. Stay tuned for more information. We give thanks to God that the time to resume gathering is so close as numbers decline and the community is healing through safe practices.

*** Please note this is a change from the previous Weekly Wave which indicated Thursday worship would start on April 15. It is now slated to resume a week later on April 22nd. ***

Soup for Community – Blessings Abound!

Your generosity poured into the community as a response to the donations for Lenten soup. As a result just over \$8000 was received in donations meaning that a donation for \$1600 will be given to donations who were our community partners: Monk Gardens, North Central Health Care, Neighbor's Place, Women's Community, and the Warming Center. Thank you for all you shared so generously! The blessings abound!

Art Devos to Return

Pam Clark will host this fun and inspirational class on the second Thursday of April, May and June. If you've wanted to do some art, but not sure where to start, please sign up and come play with some paint! Never painted before? No worries. She will gently guide you on your journey into abstract and/or some realism of your choice.

When: Thursday, April 8 Time: 12 pm-2 pm

Thursday, May 13 Thursday, June 10

Where: Activity Room at Saint Andrew

Suggested Donation for Supplies: \$10.00 plus the price of your canvas. Canvas sizes range from 8×10 (\$2) to 11×14 (\$5) and up. Heavy duty canvases with thicker frames are available and prices reflect this. A large selection of canvas sizes is available. All proceeds go toward renewing art supplies for these classes.

Sign up by calling Pam Clark at 715-848-9120 to let her know what dates you would like. Due to Covid, class size will be limited to ten people and mask wearing is required.

Videos Available on YouTube

Did you miss worship live? Was there something in particular that you'd like to listen to again? A children's sermon that tickled your ear? Facebook not your thing? Church is uploading these video resources to our YouTube channel. Check out this link or search for Saint Andrew and hit "subscribe" to see and share the latest content.

Plan to Gather Weekly Update: 4/6/2021

At the March 25th council meeting, criteria for the *Plan to Gather* was reassessed to change phase transitions to three week trends and to enter into Phase 2 at

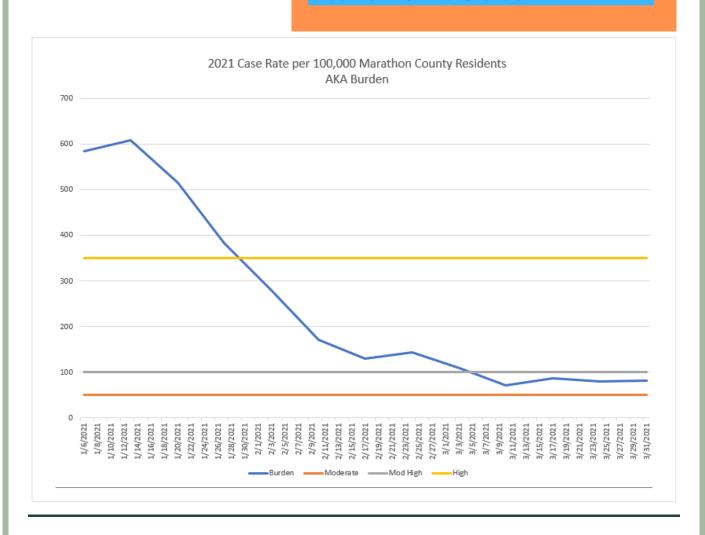
"moderately high." This means that as of that council meeting we are in phase 2. Also changed were some of our original goals for resuming gathering. An outdoor service will be scheduled for April 18th. Stay tuned for more information coming soon from council and visit www.salc-wausau.org/covid to review an updated *Plan to Gather*.

SALC COVID-19 UPDATE

As of 3/31/2021

Date	Burden #	Trajectory	Burden Status
3/10	71.2	No Change	Moderately High
3/17	86.1	No Change	Moderately High
3/24	79.4	No Change	Moderately High
3/31	80.9	No Change	Moderately High

Current SALC Status: Phase Two



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