

Amazing Grace Lutheran Church

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On the first Easter afternoon, most of the disciples and followers of Jesus gathered in the Upper Room, uncertain what the news of the morning actually meant, knowing that it was still unsafe for them to go out into the streets of Jerusalem when tensions were so high. Two of Jesus' friends, however, must have been stir-crazy, and left the city to walk the several miles to the little village of Emmaus. On the way, they encountered a stranger and felt their hearts "strangely warmed" as he interpreted the scriptures for them. They invited him to stay for a meal in Emmaus, and when he broke the bread and lifted the wine cup, they knew instantly who it was - it was Jesus!

This story has some lessons for us as we continue to live through a pandemic. Cases are rising dramatically in Michigan right now, especially in Macomb County, and, your Council and I have determined that it's not safe yet to gather indoors. But like the disciples 2000 years ago, we have options! In order to meet Jesus, we can gather with those in our "pods" in our own homes to watch Zoom worship - much like the disciples in their Upper Room (though they lacked the Zoom!) Or, like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, we can go outside, especially now that spring is here, and following safety protocols, gather together.

The great good news is that Jesus meets us wherever we are! We don't need to be in a church building! We can be at home or in the church parking lot or anywhere else that it's safe, and Jesus will meet us there! Jesus met the disciples on the road to Emmaus and he came through locked doors to meet the disciples in the Upper Room. NOTHING can separate us from Jesus' love for us - certainly not a pandemic!

Pastor Susanna



HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday, April 1

Good Friday, April 2

Zoom Worship at 7:00 P.M.

Zoom link will be sent out the day before.



Join Us for Easter Sunday

Drive In Worship and Zoom at 10:00 A.M.