The Grand Canyon Synod October 19th, 2021

The Hybrid Ministry Roadmap:

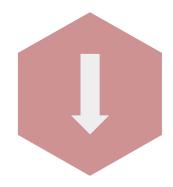
Navigating the Change

Grand Canyon Synod Fall Gathering

Three Sessions



Session 1
Discern the purpose 9:15-10:45 AM



Session 2Imagine possibilities
11:00 AM-12:30 PM

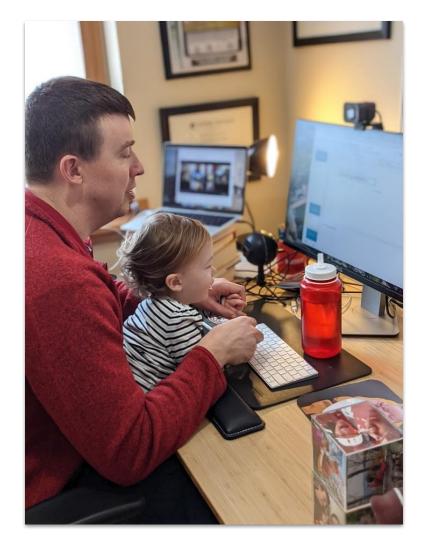


Session 3
Map out the change
1:30-3:00 PM



In the chat:

What's one idea from our time together that you are considering testing/implementing?

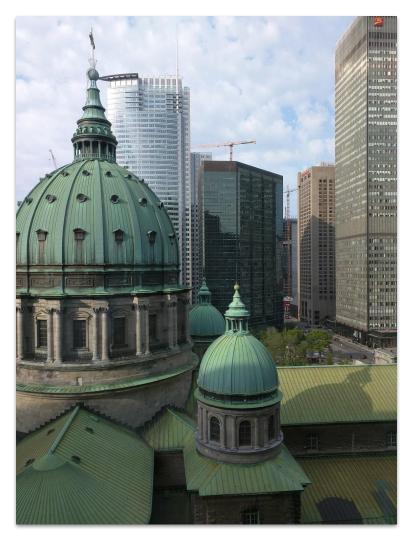


In the chat:

On a scale of 1–5, how engaged do you plan to be in this third and final session?

Today's Agenda

- Share your setup: Examples from the community
- Data and dashboards: Measuring and evaluating hybrid ministry
- Practices of iteration and innovation
- On resilience: Not giving up when engagement slips
- GC Synod Example: Lord of Life Lutheran
- Wrap-up and closing benediction



Breakout #1

- In your breakout, introduce yourself and describe your ministry context.
- Tech-specific questions:
 - No-tech: Why is it important to understand online church activity?
 - Low-tech: What's one digital datapoint that matters to your ministry?
 - High-tech: What platforms are you using to measure digital church activity?

Data and dashboards:

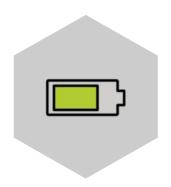
Measuring hybrid ministry

"What gets measured, gets managed."

-Peter Drucker (he didn't actually say that, though...)

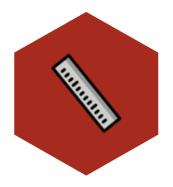
"What gets measured, gets managed - even when it's pointless to measure and manage it, and even if it harms the purpose of your organization to do so."

-Anne-Laure Le Cunff



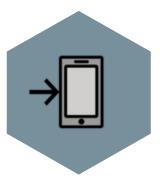
Protects our energy

Regularly updated data can help to manage focus and attention amidst competing priorities



Facilitates decisions

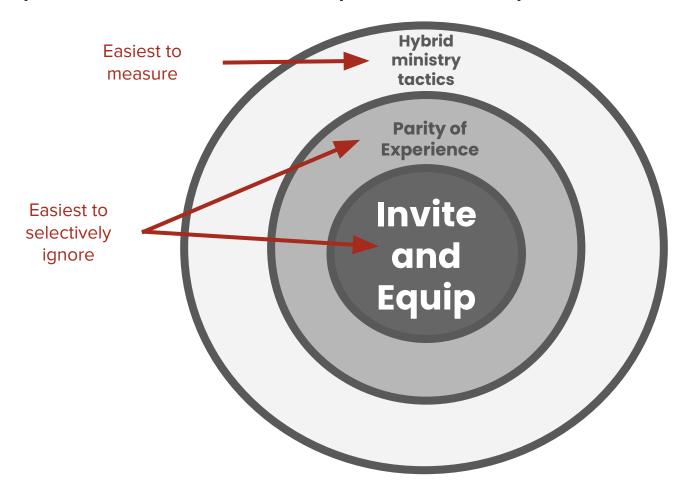
Data can show us what's connecting with our context, helping us to build on what's working



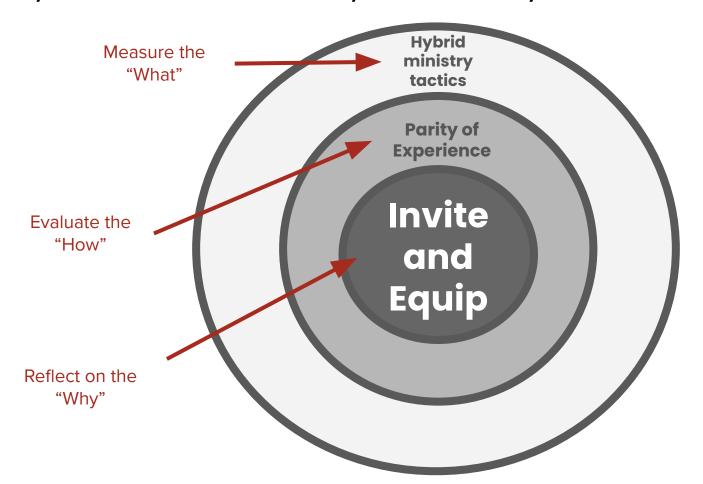
Orients towards mission

Data can show us if we are doing the things that matter the most

Why, How, and What of Hybrid Ministry



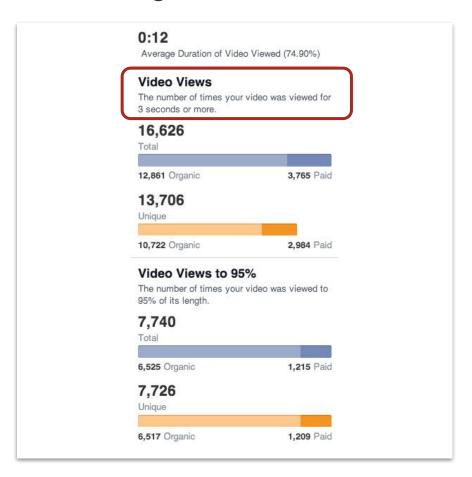
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Measuring the "what"

	Data point	Data source
Worship	Online worship views	Facebook, YouTube
Faith formation	Content page views	Google Analytics
Leadership/admin	Percentage of meetings with a Zoom dial-in	Google Calendar

Measuring the "what": Online worship views on Facebook



In the chat:

How do you reconcile video view metrics (~3 seconds) with traditional worship attendance (~60 minutes)?

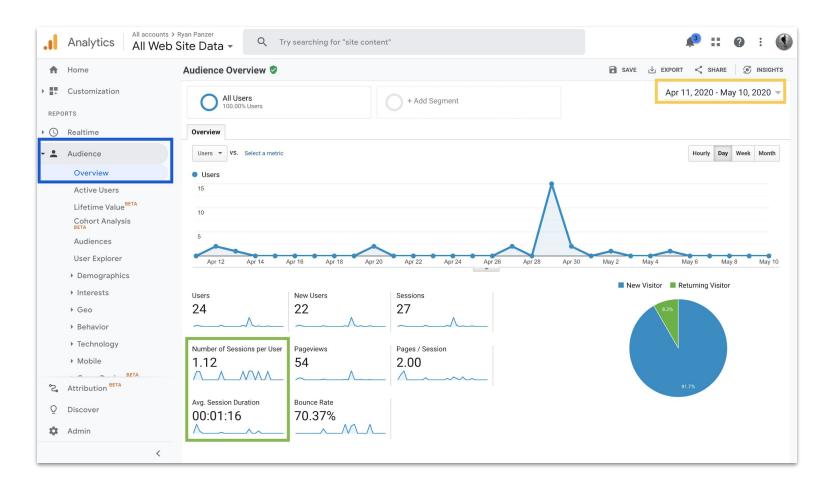
Measuring the "what": Content page views

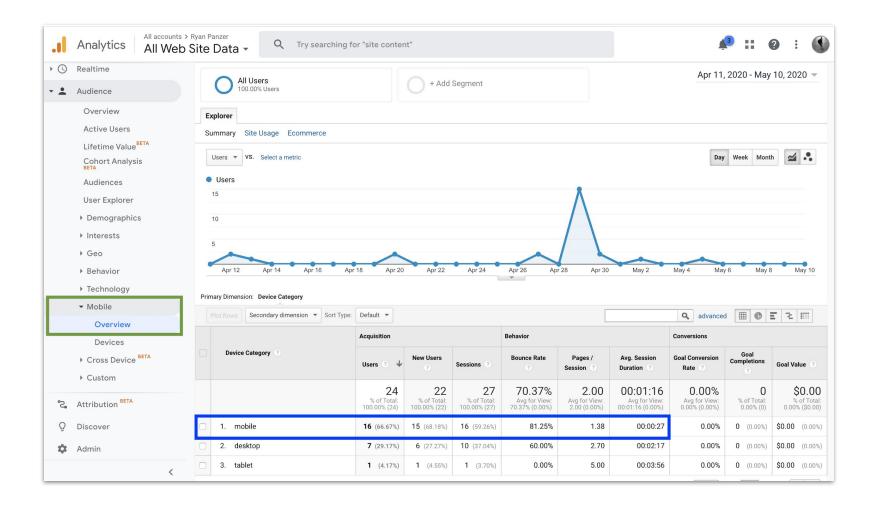
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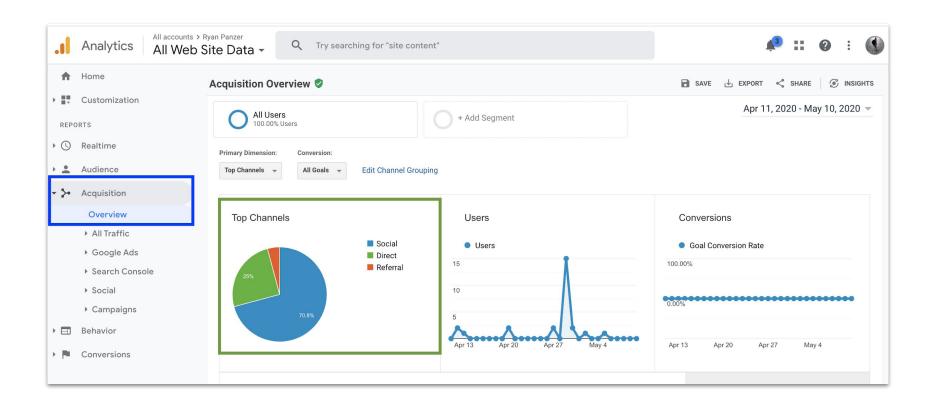
Use Mobile
Overview
to
compare
traffic on
desktop,
mobile,
and tablet

Use
Acquisition
Overview to
identify top
traffic
sources

schedule report delivery via email







Evaluating the "how"



Coverage

Are we offering an online and in-person experience?



Quality

Does the online experience include an acceptable audio and video feed?



Engagement

What is the balance between the online and the offline experience?

Example hybrid ministry dashboard

Stoplight method

	Recent updates	Coverage	Quality	Engagement
Worship	Opened sanctuary to 50% capacity Installed three PTZ cameras			
Faith formation	Developed fall adult education curriculum			
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Reflecting on the "why"

Discernment

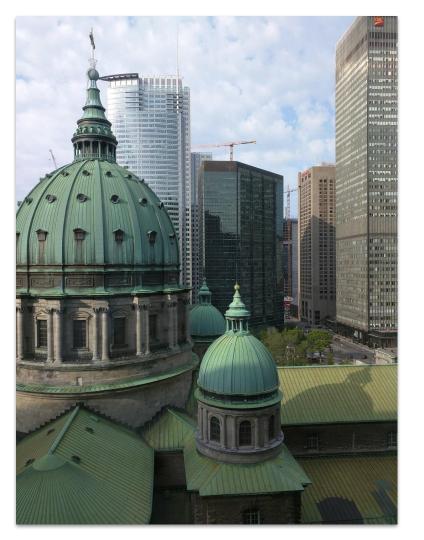
What is the purpose of "Big Why" of our hybrid ministry?

Refinement

What might we change based on what we measure?

Measurement

What might we learn through measurement and evaluation?



Breakout #2

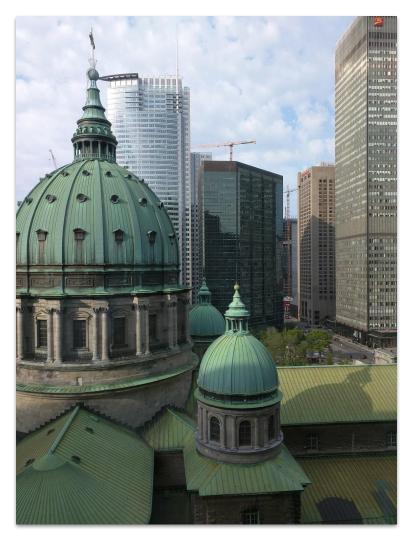
Data discussions:

- No-tech: How might we continuously refine the "Big Why" of hybrid ministry?
- **Low-tech:** How might we respond if we see a big drop or big gain in our "What" data?
- **High-tech:** How might we take some of the manual work out of the measurement and evaluation process?

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Breakout #3

Dashboard discussion:

- What aspects of the ministry's life would you include?
- How would you define green, yellow, and red?
- How might you share and discuss the dashboard with others?

Processes

How to Build Digital Community that Fits Your Context

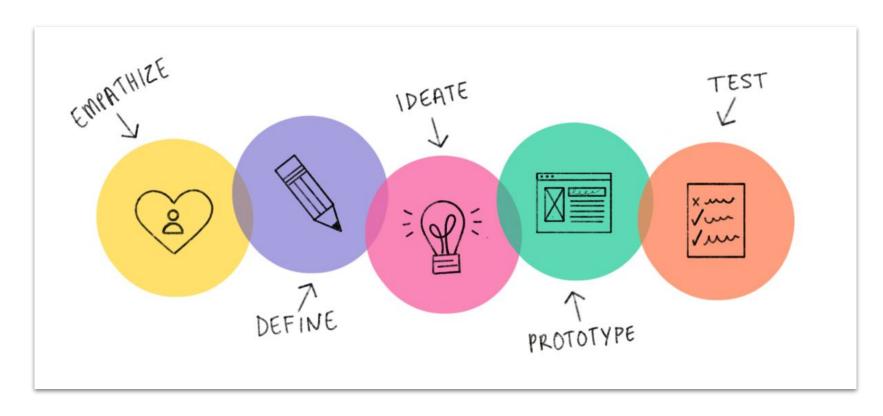
Community: Moving beyond the box

Social media posts

Zoom calls

The same thing, but "virtual"

Design Thinking Overview



Design Thinking

Empathize

Listen to those in your community

What are their top challenges?

What do they want from their church right now?

How can they be consistently heard?

Define

What is the question we are seeking to address?

"How do we build community?" is too broad

"How do we engage our membership in volunteerism and service this Fall?" is more specific

Ideate

Brainstorm as many ideas as possible

Use technology

Be collaborative

Use technology

Ruthlessly prioritize (but save all ideas for later!)

Design Thinking

Prototype

Sketch your ideas, without regard to feasibility

Storyboarding often preferable to text

Only consider constraints once prototypes are completed

Test

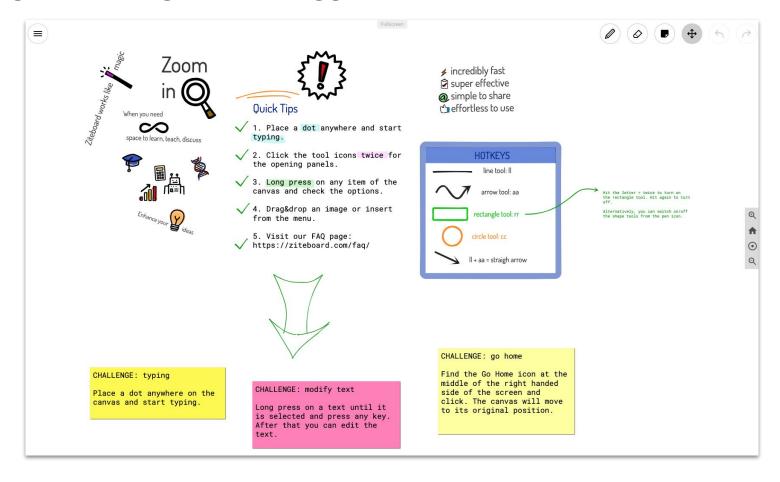
Test one idea at a time

Be patient in evaluating effectiveness

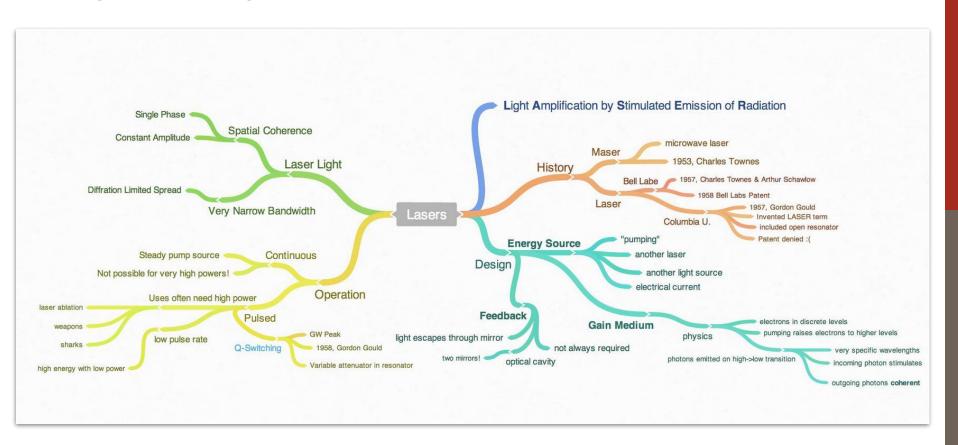
Collect data, and share with your brainstorming team

Begin the process anew!

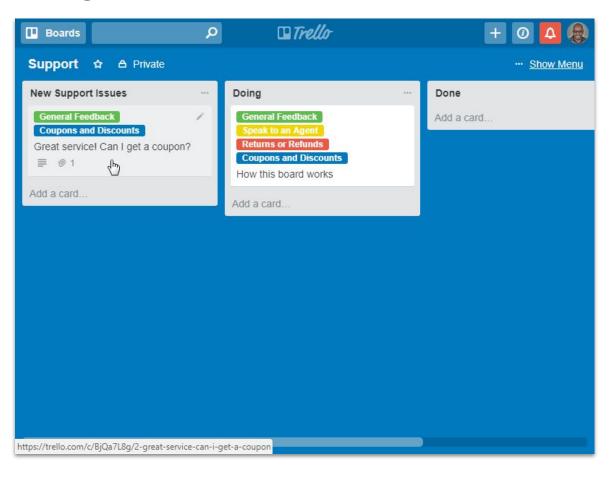
Design Thinking Tools: Coggle



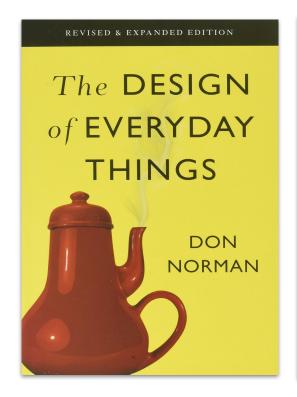
Design Thinking Tools: Ziteboard

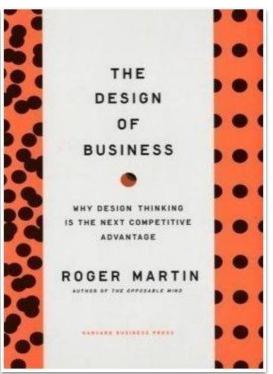


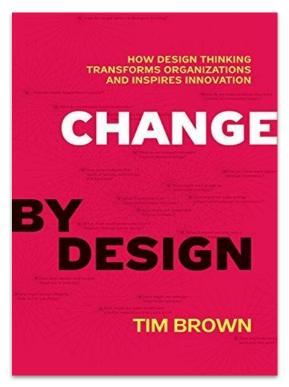
Design Thinking Tools: Trello



Design Thinking Book Bag







Remaining resilient when digital engagement falters

Remaining resilient

80%

Mobile phone users that do not use an app within first 3 months of downloading

Source: Apptentive

40%

Internet users that never read blog posts

Source: <u>Hubspot</u>

50%

Podcasts that are downloaded less than 100 times

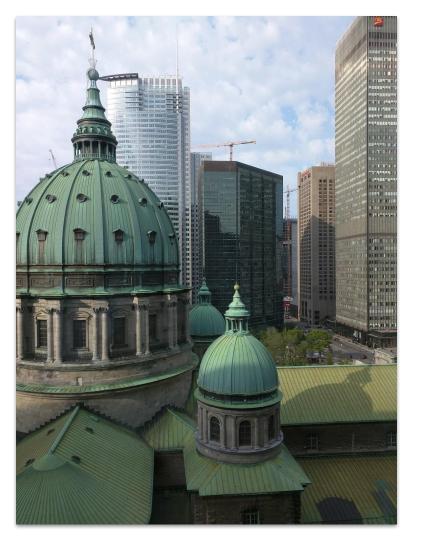
Source: Podcast.co

Digital ministry in the GC Synod





Steve Beyer, Lord of Life
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwZiP2dUcsTlWa9D788xKvA



Closing breakouts

- What do you plan to immediately discuss, test, or do based on what you've learned here?
- What might get in the way?
- What, if anything, remains unclear, confusing, or even frustrating?

May God be with you on this next step in our shared journey

May the Lord bless you with clicks, and community

May God bless the Web, and the whole wide world

May God give you grace, along with all those gigabytes.

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.