

through his cruciform love including how I interpret and respond to the Bible. So how does Jesus help us interpret the Bible? How does the presence of Jesus in the Bible, change the Bible?

Our Common Practices

Early on we discovered that folk didn't know what was expected of them as participants in the story of Table Life Church. We came up with a list of "Common Practices." These are the practices of the Christian faith we consider fundamental to what it means to follow Jesus.

We Gather

We gather for worship on Sundays more often than not.
We gather in smaller groups to connect, learn, and grow.
We create hospitable space for one another.

We Grow

We attend the means of grace daily. (i.e. We attend to the presence of God through Scripture reading and meditation, prayer on behalf of others and myself, breath prayer, spiritual reading and study . . .).
We nurture our faith.
We attend to relationships that promote growth.
We develop and learn as human beings made in the image of God.

We Give

We are a generous people who give our time and resources to the mission of God in the world.
We tithe as the means through which our community enjoys fiscal health so as to minister generously.

We Go

We follow Jesus into the world as His healing presence.
We help the vulnerable among us.
We go into the world offering Jesus' invitation to gather at His table.



Check Your VERY Important Inserts!

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9:45 AM - 10:45 AM Sunday School

11 AM - 12:30 PM Worship Service

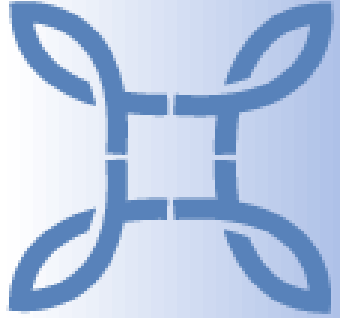
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Order of Worship
Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany
11 February 2018

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude Music
Welcome
Call to Worship
Worship Reading

We Listen to the Scriptures

Pastoral Prayer
Offering
Scripture Reading: Mark 9.2-8
Sermon: "Only Jesus"

We Come to the Table

Passing the Peace of Christ
Prayer of Consecration
The Lord's Prayer
We Eat and Drink Together
Prayer of Thanksgiving

We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life
Gossiping the Good Stuff
Doxology
Blessing and Sending

If you are a guest with us today,

***Please take time to fill out a
Connection Card.***

Please visit us on our website,

www.tablelifefchurch.org for details of events.

Also you will find, Worship folders, online giving and you can also send prayer request to the prayer chain.

COMING SOON

Feb 11 Market Street Breakfast Ministry	7:24AM
Feb 13 Ministry Team and Board Meeting	6:30PM
Feb 14 Ash Wednesday Service	7:00PM
Feb 18 Common Meal	12:30PM
Feb 24 Haiti Partnership Meeting	10:30AM

Official Church Calendar ~ www.tablelifefchurch.org/calendar

Sermon Reflection Guide

Mark 9.2-8

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them anymore, but only Jesus.

Question for Everyone:

(1) We need more sermons on the wrath of God. It's not good preaching if I don't smell the sulfuric stench of hell.
(10) If I never hear another sermon on the wrath of God, it will be too soon. Where are you on this wrath range?

Seeing Jesus

I've had more than one conversion experience in my lifetime. Even in the last 15 years my conversion has continued. I have this sense that the good news of Jesus' gospel is, in fact, better news than I could imagine. Even after all these years, I'm coming to see Jesus more clearly. Have you had more than one conversion experience? Has the way you see or understand Jesus changed over the years? How so?

Heaven

Too often the word "heaven" conjures in our imagination a destination of extreme distance. Whereas, in the biblical narrative, when heaven's presence is revealed on earth, through an angel or a divine voice, it is as if a thin membrane is crossed, a fine veil is lifted to see what is just beyond the site of human eyes. When we enter into thin places like the church gathered around Word and Table, one isn't entering into a place made thin by these sacred acts, one is merely given a revelation of the truth. Heaven and earth are very closely mingled and will one day be united in an undivided whole. Response? How might the proximity of heaven and earth influence your practice of the Christian faith?

Transfigured.

The transfigured Jesus of glory is the Jesus who writhes in pain on the cross. In other words, humankind killed God. This transfiguration moment is given to the church so that this vision will always inform the churches' response to Jesus. How does the transfigured Christ inform your response to Christ?

Listen to Him

In the presence of the leaders of the Church and in the presence of the leaders of Israel, God says: "Listen to Jesus!" In other words, "Jesus is what God has to say." Jesus is God's final word. Jesus is supreme. He the one we alone look to in order to discern the way and will of God. So what? Why is this hard? That is, if Jesus is what God has to say, then what is God saying to us? In what ways to we resist Jesus?

Jesus is What God Has to Say

"The Transfiguration is where Moses and Elijah find their great successor. The Transfiguration is where the OT hands the project of redemption and restoration over to Jesus. The Transfiguration is where the old witness (testament) yields to the new witness (testament)" (Zahnd). If I am to be Christian then Jesus demands that I interpret and respond to all of life