

Our mission is to learn the way of Jesus together as we invite others to join us at His Table.

Our Common Practices

We Gather

We gather for worship 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 and 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.

A Breath Prayer for the coming week:

"Lord Jesus Christ, fill me with Your love."

Holy Spirit, Come to Us



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Order of Worship
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Trinity Sunday

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude Music
Welcome
Call to Worship
Worship Reading from Psalm 8

We Listen to the Scriptures

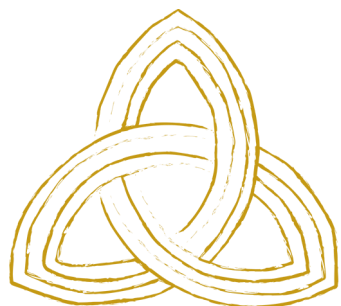
Pastoral Prayer
Sermon: "Imposter Jesus"
Scripture Reading: John 3.1-16

We Come to the Table

Prayers of the People
Song of Preparation
Passing the Peace of Christ
Prayer of Confession and 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



Sermon Reflection Guide

John 3.1-16

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God."

Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

Question for Everyone

When I became a Christian, Jesus changed every fiber of my being. It was like I was born all over again. (1) Not so much for me. (10) Couldn't agree more. Where are you on this range?

Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up?

We promote a rigorous and robust Christian faith at Table Life Church. We are passionate about practicing the historic, orthodox-Christian faith with an evangelical passion. We want to meet people where they are, love people as they are, serve people wherever they are. But we are not interested in domesticating Jesus by creating him in our own image. What does it look like to create Jesus in one's own image?

Imposter Jesus

Imposter Jesus, the Jesus made in our own image, won't save us. He will make us more comfortable. He'll affirm our opinions. He'll dislike all the people we dislike, but he won't save us from ourselves into the liberating reign of God. Only the man from Nazareth can do that. Response?

Disrupter Jesus

Jesus hands us a cross and says "follow me in my heavenly agenda on earth here and now." Following Jesus means trusting Jesus enough to give up our rights and allow the Spirit of Jesus to lead us into uncharted waters. Jesus will disrupt your life if you'll let him. Talk about the ways Jesus has disrupted your life.

Transformer Jesus

Christian spirituality is about gazing upon the One who gazes upon us so as to be transformed. And in this gaze of mutual adoration, we come to realize God's deep affection for us. It's so much easier to love extravagantly when we know that we are loved extravagantly.

Response? Talk about the people you struggle most to love. What are you going to do about this struggle?

Nicodemus: Under the Cover of Darkness

Consider how Nicodemus' worldview is being challenged by Jesus. What change does Jesus require of Nicodemus? How does Jesus set about transforming Nicodemus?