

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:

"I put my trust in Your unfailing Love."

Wait for the Lord

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Wait for the Lord; be strong, take heart!

The musical score is written for two staves (treble and bass clef) in 2/2 time. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The first system includes chords Em, C, Am⁶, and B. The second system includes chords Em, D, G, Am⁷, B, and Em. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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Order of Worship
29 November 2020
The First Sunday of Advent

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude Music
Welcome
Call to Worship
Worship Reading from the *Book of Worship*

We Listen to the Scriptures

Scripture Reading: Mark 13.24-37
Sermon: "Purpose In Christ"

We Come to the Table

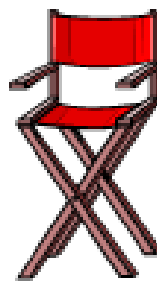
Prayers of the People
Song of Preparation
The Peace
Prayer of Confession and Consecration
We Eat and Drink Together
The Lord's Prayer
We Celebrate the Eucharist in Song
Prayer of Thanksgiving

We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life
Gossiping the Good Stuff
Doxology
Blessing and Sending

Purpose in Christ

Galatians 4:1-14 (NIV)



Just like God had a purpose in history through the birth of Christ, God has a purpose for your life today

¹ What I am saying is that as long as the heir is a child, he is no different from a slave, although he owns the whole estate. ² He is subject to guardians and trustees until the time set by his father. ³ So also, when we were children, we were in slavery under the basic principles of the world. ⁴ But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman...
Gal 4:1-4 (NIV)

God had a purpose in _____

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning.

³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of men. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.

John 1:1-5 (NIV)

God had a purpose in the _____

- God gave us the law so that we would recognize our _____ against Him

¹⁹ What, then, was the purpose of the law? It was added because of transgressions until the Seed to whom the promise referred had come.

Gal 3:19 (NIV)

- God gave us the law to _____ us to _____

²⁴ So the law was put in charge to lead us to Christ that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ Now that faith has come, we are no longer under the supervision of the law.

Gal 3:24-25 (NIV)

God had a purpose in _____

⁴ But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman.

Gal 4:4 (NIV)

That time included a universal _____, a universal _____, and a universal _____, which would enable the message of the Gospel to spread around the known world.

God has a purpose in _____

- Jesus was _____ according to God's purpose

⁴ So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵ He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶ While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷ and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Luke 2:4-7 (NIV)

- Jesus _____ according to God's purpose

³⁸ For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me.

John 6:38 (NIV)

- Jesus _____ according to God's purpose

- Jesus _____ according to God's purpose

- Jesus will _____ according to God's purpose

God has a purpose in YOU. He has created you to walk on this earth at this exact time in history to accomplish His purpose through you!

Will you allow Him to accomplish His purpose _____ you?

NEXT WEEK: **God's Emancipation Proclamation**