

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

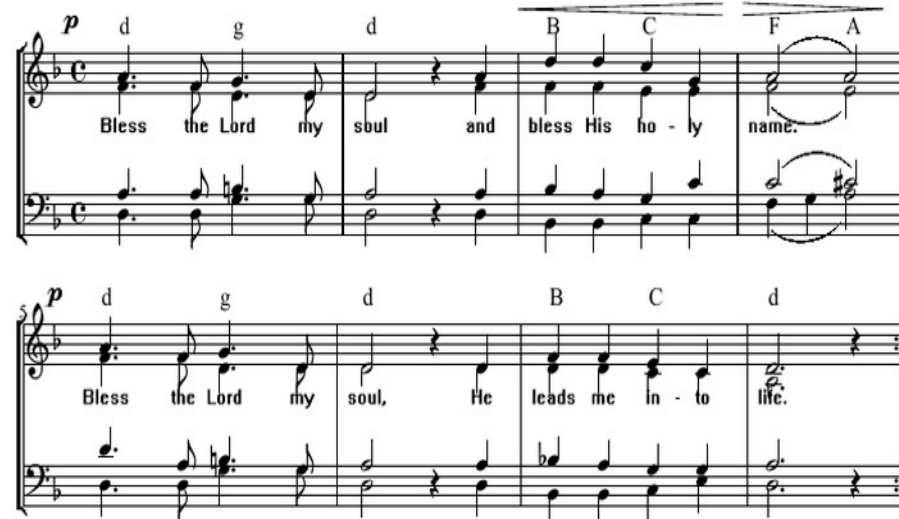
We follow Jesus into the world as His healing presence.
We help the vulnerable among us.
We go into the world offering Jesus' invitation to gather at His Table.

A Breath Prayer for the coming week:

"I put my trust in Your unfailing Love."

Bless the Lord my soul

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Order of Worship

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The First Sunday after Epiphany

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude Music

Welcome

Call to Worship from Psalm 29

We Listen to the Scriptures

Prayers of the People

Scripture Reading: Mark 1.4-11

Sermon: "Baptism: Faith In Action"

We Come to the Table

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



BAPTISM: Faith In Action

Romans 6:3-5 (NIV)

⁴ And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵ The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. ⁶ John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷ And this was his message: "After me comes the one more

powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸ I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

⁹ At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

Mark 1:4-11 (NIV)

SECULAR definition of BAPTISM: a Christian sacrament marked by ritual use of water and admitting the recipient to the Christian _____.
(www.merriam-webster.com)

SPIRITUAL definition of BAPTISM: an _____ sign, or symbol, of what God has already done in your _____!

Baptism Testifies That:

You Have Connected With _____

Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. ⁵ If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection. Romans 6: 3-5 (NIV)

- Going under the water symbolizes the fact that you have died to your life of _____.
- Coming up from the water symbolizes the fact that you have a _____ in Christ.
- Baptism also symbolizes the belief in the _____ of Jesus and His coming again to take us to be with Him in Heaven.

You Have Connected With His _____

³⁸ Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off--for all whom the Lord our God will call."

⁴⁰ With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." ⁴¹ Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day Acts 2:38-41 (NIV)

- God does not live in buildings. Rather, He lives in the hearts and lives of those who have _____ and received his forgiveness of their _____.
- Baptism identifies you as a part of the body of Christ – His _____.

You Have Connected With His _____

¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me." ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:17-20 (NIV)

- Baptism identifies you with the _____ of Jesus to share His love with those who haven't begun a _____ with Him.

Have you _____ connected with Jesus, His Church, and His Mission in this world?