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Order of Worship 8 August 2021 The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

#### We Gather to Worship God

Welcome
Worship in Song
Call to Worship from Psalm 34
Worship in Song

#### We Listen to the Scriptures

Prayer
Sermon Series: The Greatest Underdog

#### We Come to the Table

Prayer of Confession and Consecration
The Lord's Prayer
We Eat and Drink Together
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

## **New Here? Need Prayer?**



Please fill out a connection card located in the seats in front of you or online:

tablelifechurch.org/ online-connection-card

# ALL CHURCH COMMON MEAL Sunday, August 15th after Worship at the Gathering Place Bring a "heritage" dish and/or dessert to share. THERE'S ROOM AT THE TABLE FOR YOU!



# 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.

# The Greatest Underdog Pastor Kris Beckert Philippians 2:1-18

In your own words, what makes someone "great?"

True greatness involves:
I. Looking
Philippians 2:1-2 Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, <sup>2</sup> then mak my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind.
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Philippians 2:3-6 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, <sup>4</sup> not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. <sup>6</sup> In your relationships with one another, have the same attitude as Christ Jesus.

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II. Looking

III. Looking to	

Philippians 2:6-11 Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; <sup>7</sup> but he emptied himself, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. <sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross! <sup>9</sup> Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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## Doggy Bag: Something to take home and chew on!



- 1. Compare times in your life when you've sought your own greatness vs. having served others. What patterns do you notice?
- 2. Do you tend to get stuck in your personal story? What would happen if you looked beyond yourself?
- 3. What would it look like to humbly regard others as better than yourself—in your marriage? Friendships? Workplace? Neighborhood?
- 4. Where have you found yourself saying "I'm too important for that," "I'm too busy for that," or "That's beneath me?" Could that be exactly the thing God wants you to do? Do you trust Him?
- 5. What would it look like to change your example of greatness and take on the mind of Christ?

If you'd like to talk personally and confidentially w/ Pastor Kris about your relationship with God, please email pastorkris@tablelifechurch.org or call 717-774-6444 to set up an appointment.