

TABLE TALK



**2pm Mondays
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**Further discussion
about the most recent
Sunday Message.**

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Order of Worship
3 October 2021

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather to Worship God

Welcome
Worship in Song
Call to Worship
Worship in Song

We Listen to the Scriptures

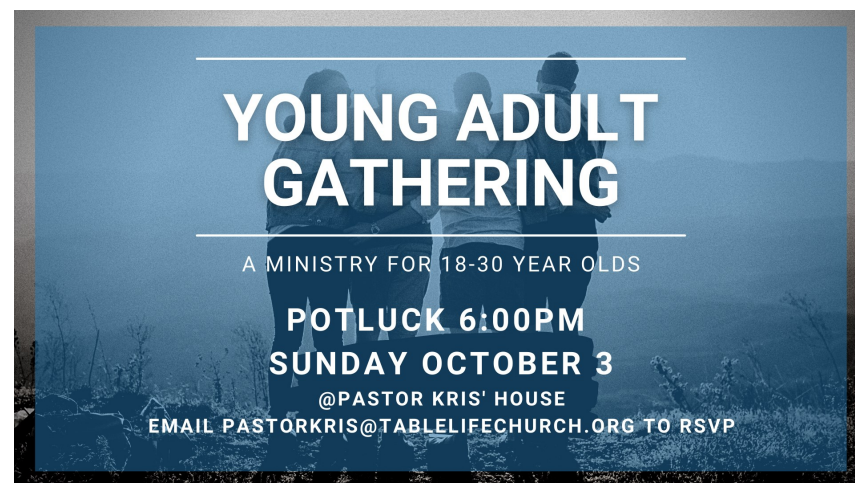
Prayer
Sermon Series: Open Table
Sermon: Episode 4 "Sit"

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

We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life
Gossiping the Good Stuff
Doxology
Blessing and Sending



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.

Open Table

Episode 4: "Sit"

Pastor Kris Beckert

Luke 10:38-42

Is it more difficult for you to give or receive?

Luke 10:38-42

As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. ³⁹ She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!" ⁴¹ "Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

Ancient Meal Prep & Hospitality:

- Menu –
- Significance of hospitality –

Why has Mary "chosen what is better?"

I. Mary: The Importance of _____



[recipients]



[hosts]



[guests]

II. Martha:

1. A Spiritual _____

- We think we need to clean up our lives before God will enter in

2. A Spiritual _____

- Being distracted
 - o v.39 "distracted" (*perispaó*) --
 - o v.41 "worried" (*merimnaó*)--
 - o v.41 "upset"(*thorubeo*) --

III. How to receive:

- Intentional, undistracted time sitting with _____
- Intentional, undistracted time sitting with _____

Where do you find yourself in the story?

Big Idea: _____

Doggy Bag: Something to take home and chew on!



1. On a scale of 1-10, with 1 being "not busy" and 10 being "I don't have time to eat," rate your level of busyness. How has that impacted your relationships with people? With God?
2. What aspects of ancient meal prep and hospitality do you admire?
3. What emotions does Jesus' response to Martha stir up in you? Why?
4. Why is it important to "sit at Jesus' feet?" What does that look like, concretely? What often gets in the way of making it a priority?
5. This month, take the October Table Challenge: be intentional about worshiping weekly, share a distraction-free meal together with family or friends at least once a week, and spend at least 5 minutes praying and/or reading scripture each day. See what you receive from Jesus.

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