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Order of Worship 24 October 2021 The Twenty-Second 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 7 "Revealed"

# 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 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 7: "Revealed" Pastor Kris Beckert Luke 24:28-35

#### When you are on a road trip, where do you stop to eat?

#### Luke 24:13-35

Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. <sup>15</sup> As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; <sup>16</sup> but they were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?" They stood still, their faces downcast. <sup>18</sup> One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?"

<sup>19</sup> "What things?" he asked. "About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. <sup>20</sup> The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; <sup>21</sup> but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. <sup>22</sup> In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning <sup>23</sup> but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus."

<sup>25</sup> He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! <sup>26</sup> Did not the

Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" <sup>27</sup> And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself. <sup>28</sup> As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.

<sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?" <sup>33</sup> They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together <sup>34</sup> and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." <sup>35</sup> Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.



#### **Recognizing Jesus:**

#### 1. Stop \_\_\_\_\_

- Syzetein = debate
- Distance Jerusalem to Emmaus: \_\_\_\_\_\_

- 3. Look \_\_\_\_\_
  - v.31 Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him...

Jesus' fingerprints-- \_\_\_\_\_\_

4. Share \_\_\_\_\_

Big Idea: \_\_\_\_\_

Doggy Bag: Something to take home and chew on!



- Have you ever experienced Jesus' presence in an unexpected place or unexpected table?
  If so, what happened?
- 2. What are you running away from in life? Are you running away from God?
- 3. What kind of lens do you tend to view the world through? What would it take to begin to look for Jesus' presence on a daily basis?
- 4. In your circumstance, neighborhood, family, school, etc. where do you see Jesus' fingerprints and good news, whether others call it that or not?
- 5. How has Jesus changed your sense of purpose in life?
- 6. How can you be intentional about sharing and embodying good news this week at whatever "table" you find yourself?

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.

2. Start \_\_\_\_\_