

# NEW HERE? NEED PRAYER?

 **TABLELIFE CHURCH**  
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I would like to know more about or help with:  
 Wedd. Services to follow news  
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 Kids & Youth Ministries

Prayer Request: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out a connection card located in the seats in front of you. Or you can fill one out online.



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Order of Worship  
12 March 2023  
The Third Sunday in Lent

## We Gather to Worship God

Welcome  
Worship in Song  
Call to Worship  
Worship in Song

## We Listen to the Word

Prayer  
Sermon Series: Eyewitness  
Sermon: "Week 3 - Barabbas"

## 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

## We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life  
Gossiping the Good Stuff  
Doxology  
Blessing and Sending

\*Words to music, responsive readings and  
The Lord's Prayer will be on the screen\*

### Kids at Table Life

Children aged 3 and up remain in the sanctuary for our musical worship and are then dismissed during the sermon for an age appropriate teaching time.

- The Sprouts**  
Kids 2 and under are welcome in the sanctuary or in the staffed nursery
- The Tater Tots**  
Age 3 - Preschool Kids learn about God's love and Bible through play, song, and hands on experiences
- The Fries**  
School Aged Kids dig into the sermon topic with their own age appropriate lesson

**THE KIDS' TABLE**  
children's ministry at Table Life Church

### FAMILY BOWLING NIGHT

March 18th 3:00pm-5:00pm  
For the families of Sprouts, Tater Tots and Fries  
**\$5 PER PERSON**  
RSVP by March 12th

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### LUNCH WITH A MISSIONARY

- Sunday, March 26, 2023
- 12.30 pm - 1.30 pm
- The Gathering Place

Join us for a potluck lunch with missionary Kelly Padgett, who will be sharing stories of hope from his ministry with Reach.ph, rescuing people from the sex trade in the Philippines.

## Doggy Bag- Some questions to chew on:



1. How has your understanding of Jesus, his purpose, and his role in your life and the world changed for you over the years? What influenced that change?
2. People lost faith in Jesus when he didn't meet their expectations. Today, deconstruction and the loss of one's faith sometimes occurs when one's beliefs about God and Jesus are challenged by information and/or experiences. Why is it so easy for this to happen? What has helped you?
3. Why do you think the people chose Barabbas over Jesus? What does this choice signify?
4. Choosing to live a life based on the example of Jesus often makes no sense to the world around us and can be both difficult and worthwhile at the same time. Describe a time when you have had this experience.
5. What does it look like for you to more consistently choose Jesus' way?
6. Take some quiet time this week to examine your picture of Jesus. What are some ways you have molded him or dismissed his instructions in order to do what you want? Where is he calling you to trust him, even if it doesn't make sense, and follow?

If you'd like to talk personally and confidentially w/ Pastor Kris about following Christ, please email [pastorkris@tablelifechurch.org](mailto:pastorkris@tablelifechurch.org) or call 717-774-6444 to set up an appointment.

## Eyewitness "Week 3 - Barabbas" Pastor Kris Beckert

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**Have you ever discovered something to be very different from what you've believed or expected for a long time?**

**I. Today's Eyewitness:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Mark 15:1-15 Very early in the morning, the chief priests, with the elders, the teachers of the law and the whole Sanhedrin, made their plans. So they bound Jesus, led him away and handed him over to Pilate. <sup>2</sup> "Are you the king of the Jews?" asked Pilate. "You have said so," Jesus replied. <sup>3</sup> The chief priests accused him of many things. <sup>4</sup> So again Pilate asked him, "Aren't you going to answer? See how many things they are accusing you of." <sup>5</sup> But Jesus still made no reply, and Pilate was amazed. <sup>6</sup> Now it was the custom at the festival to release a prisoner whom the people requested. <sup>7</sup> A man called Barabbas was in prison with the insurrectionists who had committed murder in the uprising. <sup>8</sup> The crowd came up and asked Pilate to do for them what he usually did. <sup>9</sup> "Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?" asked Pilate, <sup>10</sup> knowing it was out of self-interest that the chief priests had handed Jesus over to him. <sup>11</sup> But the chief priests stirred up*

the crowd to have Pilate release Barabbas instead. <sup>12</sup> "What shall I do, then, with the one you call the king of the Jews?" Pilate asked them. <sup>13</sup> "Crucify him!" they shouted. <sup>14</sup> "Why? What crime has he committed?" asked Pilate. But they shouted all the louder, "Crucify him!" <sup>15</sup> Wanting to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.

## II. A Look at Barabbas:

1. What was the situation? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What did he represent? \_\_\_\_\_

- "Jesus bar Abbas" –  
*Luke 23:19 Barabbas had been thrown into prison for an insurrection in the city, and for murder.*
- He was most likely a \_\_\_\_\_
- Zealots tried to \_\_\_\_\_
- But Jesus \_\_\_\_\_
- The Crowd wanted a messiah who would \_\_\_\_\_

## III. The Questions Barabbas presents:

1. What kind of \_\_\_\_\_?

2. What kind of \_\_\_\_\_?

"The self-denial involved in the period of Lent isn't about just giving up chocolates or beer; it's about trying to give up a certain set of pictures of God that are burned into our own selfish wants" -Rowan Williams

**Do we trust that Jesus' sacrificial, costly, loving, counterintuitive way of life is better than the way of the world?**

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

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