Tithes and Offerings







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CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE



Order of Worship October 20, 2024 Twenty-second Sunday of Ordinary Time

We Gather to Worship God

Welcome
Worship in Song
Call to Worship
Worship in Song
Prayer

We Listen to the Word

Sermon Series: The Core Sermon: "The Question of God"

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
Doxology
Blessing and Sending

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



For a complete list of ongoing ministries and upcoming events, please visit tablelifechurch.org.

Doggy Bag-

Some questions to chew on:



- Why is it important to realize that regardless of religion or no religion, everyone has a core set of beliefs? What beliefs are at your "core?"
- Does it help or hinder your faith to learn that groups of early Christians gathered to formulate creeds as the core beliefs of Christianity?
- 3. Has there ever been a time you struggled with believing in God? What would you say to someone who rejects believing in God because of the atrocities religion has caused or says there is no need for God because science explains everything?
- 4. What difference does it make that Christians believe there is one God who is an eternal, relational Creator we can know personally?
- 5. What unsettles you most about Christianity? What unsettles you most about atheism?
- 6. Do you believe the process of walking toward or away from faith or religion is more personal or intellectual? Why?
- 7. How does faith in God stabilize life in rocky and uncertain times? Has that happened for you?

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

The Core "The Question of God" Pastor Kris Beckert

 . What is the Definition of Core? /kôr/ noun: core; plural noun: cores the tough central part of various fruits, contathe seeds. the part of something that is central to its existence or character. 	
	 you to do many things many other things you on uneven or shaky footing
I. Wha	t is at the Core of Christianity?
	ate 2nd and early 3rd centuries, Christians gathered summarize the faith in
• "Cr	reed" comes from Latin credo, which means

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Creed:

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

I. Why do many people reject belief in God?	Romans 1:20 For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so	
They believe religion causes		
They believe religion is	that people are without excuse.	
V. Who is the God that Christians believe in? 1. God is our aiah 45:18 For this is what the LORD says— he who created the eavens, he is God; he who fashioned and made the earth, he bunded it; he did not create it to be empty, but formed it to be	 Odds of the self-creation of life: 1 in 10^{40,000} Odds of you existing: 1 in 10^{2,685,000} Inner law and ability to emphasize with others Coincidences, nudges, impressions, direction from Scripture Peace in chaos, love when alone 	
habited— he says: "I am the LORD, and there is no other.	VI. Why does it matter?	
2. God is		
Ve believe in one eternally existent, infinite God, Sovereign Creator and ustainer of the universe; that He only is God, holy in nature, attributes, and purpose. The God who is holy love and light is Triune in essential eing, revealed as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Deuteronomy 6:4 Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. 3. God is &	 We are creatures not as as we think We are creatures dearly We matter and have We see our world and others as a and treat them that way Luke 10:27 "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind' and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" 	
ne Holy Spirit.		
Genesis 1:1-2, 26; John 1:1-18; Matthew 3:16-17		
7. Is there evidence for God?		
 If there is no God: There is really no 	Big Idea:	
Free will is just an		

• In line with existence of God: