



Sunday Order

1. Arrive and gather as House Church in host home
2. Open in prayer
3. At 9am or 11am, log on to YouTube for worship
(Comment to let us know you're there!)
4. Watch service (Sing, listen to the Word, and engage)
5. Celebrate Communion (See below)
 - a. Pre-Communion Prayer
 - b. Communion Liturgy
 - c. Take the elements as community
6. Reflection Questions as House Church (Attached)
7. Close in Prayer

Note: Please silence phones in order to be fully present with one another.

Pre-Communion Prayer

Select one person to read Genesis 12:1-3, Matthew 28:19-20, and 1 Peter 2:9-10.

The Lord had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you.

"I will make you into a great nation,

and I will bless you;

I will make your name great,

and you will be a blessing.

I will bless those who bless you,

and whoever curses you I will curse;

and all peoples on earth

will be blessed through you." (*Genesis 12:1-3*)

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. (*Matthew 28:19-20*)

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. *(1 Peter 2:9-10)*

Reflect on these passages in silence. Meditate on this quick biblical theology of "mission." How do these passages relate to one another and River West's vision of being a "community of Christ for the world?"

Leader: move the group into a time of prayer.

For the Mission of the Church

From The Book of Common Prayer. *Read aloud as a community or leader.*

Everliving God, whose will it is that all should come to you through your Son Jesus Christ: Inspire our witness to him, that all may know the power of his forgiveness and the hope of his resurrection; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Communion Liturgy

Leader: give out the Communion elements and begin the liturgy by reading 1 Corinthians 11:23-26.

"For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, 'This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'"

Everyone eats the bread together.

"In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."

Everyone, together, drinks the cup.

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

1. What stood out to you in Adam's teaching? What was the Holy Spirit stirring in your heart as you listened?
2. What encouraged you in the teaching? What challenged you or convicted you?
3. In what practical ways can your community group be *missional* and live out our Church's vision statement?
4. Why would it be important for us as community groups and individuals to be missional first and foremost in Lake Oswego and Portland?

Concluding Prayer

After this prayer, be dismissed and have a great Sunday!

Prayer to the Crucified Christ

Adapted from the Book of Common Prayer

Lord Jesus,

You stretched out your arms of love upon the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace. So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you, for the honor of your name.

Amen.