

Compelling Christian Community

- We understand that our love for one another is a powerful testimony to the deity of Jesus.
- We love each other as we are, not as we should be.
- We share life together beyond the worship service.

***Opening:** Think of a good friend. Why is this person special to you?

After checking in, share where you have seen God at work in your life since your last meeting.

#Scripture: Acts 2:42-47

What did the early church do that created a strong community?

Describe a time when someone's compassion has made an impact on your life.

***How safe do you think it is to be your real self at Faith Church?**

***If someone came to Faith who was struggling, do you think they would feel welcomed? accepted? ignored? judged? other?**

#When is Faith Community Church at its best in caring for one another?

Describe a time you have been with people from Faith Church outside of Sunday morning.

Describe something you have done socially with a person from Faith Church.

***Think of the people you are closest to at Faith Church. What do you most appreciate about them?**

***If you had to call someone from Faith Church in an emergency, who would it be? Why did you choose this person?**

How could a compelling Christian community inside the church make an impact on people who are outside the church?

***Prayer:** Share a situation where you sense a loving connection (something you could do for the person) would be meaningful in the life of a person you know.

As you feel comfortable, share where you feel the need for God's love to touch your life today.

Pray for the staff as they carry extra responsibilities to sustain our life and ministry together.

***Benediction:** Share with one another how you feel each person has contributed to the triad to help make it a compelling community.

***Read the Congregational Vitality Prayer together.**

Write down one thought from each person in your group from this week's time together.

* Indicates items that can be done together when you meet, choose the most meaningful items

Indicates items to do as 'home work' prior to meeting

The Fellowship of the Believers

⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵ They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. ⁴⁶ Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. Acts 2:42-47 NIV