



**Journey to the Cross @
Westminster Presbyterian Church
Sermon Based Small Group Plan
April 2, 2017
Fifth Sunday in Lent
Sermon Title: “Solemn Celebration”
Preaching: Pastor Charles Svendsen
Scripture: 1 Corinthians 11:23-34 and
Psalm 116:1, 12-13**

Open in Prayer: Lord Jesus, We come humbly to your word seeking to be more like you. Be our amazing teacher as we learn every day we have life when we come to the table of the Lord. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

Fellowship Question: During your teen years what was your dinnertime experience like at home?

Take Time To Read The Scripture: 1 Corinthians 11:23-34 and Psalm 116:1, 12-13 in the Voice.

Study Questions for the Sermon and Text: (choose as needed)

- Do you remember the first time you received communion? What happened?
- Do you think anyone should be able to receive communion or should there be some kind of preparation?
- What part of remembering the Lord’s Supper is most important for you?
- What do you make of verse 27 where Paul talks about taking communion in an unworthy manner? What is the sin?
- How do we examine ourselves to prepare for the Lord’s Supper?
- How can we be more inclusive to others but careful about degrading the importance of communion?

The Challenge: To be aware of the power of the Lord’s Supper and its value to encourage us as we journey in faith.

Prayer Options: (choose as needed for your group)

- Pray for the Pastor Nominating Committee as they work to find a new pastor.
- Pray for WPC and our shut-ins who need prayer support.
- Pray for our community and our attention to the folks who need support
- Pray for the church staff as they work for the Lord

Mission Encouragement for the winter:

- The shelter still needs people to provide meals. Please contact Katie Menees to sign up.
- Take the time in your day to do a simple act of service for someone else.

Leader notes:

- Last Evensong Service is Wednesday, April 5, at 7:00 pm.
- Remind your group that the WPC YouTube Channel has the sermon videos. Just go to the WPC website and click on the YOUTUBE logo button.