



Westminster Presbyterian Church

Sermon Based Small Group Plan

February 4, 2018

“Learning Church”

Leading: Pastor Dave Rohde

Scripture: Psalm 46

& Ephesians 4:1-16

Open in Prayer

Fellowship Question: What cooking experience of yours sent you back to frozen foods?

Study Questions for the Sermon and Text:

1. What was your most difficult subject in school? Where did you thrive? How would you describe your learning style (i.e. visual, auditory, verbal, hands-on, etc.)?
2. What does learning have to do with discipleship?
3. Pastor Dave mentioned that his intention on Sunday mornings “isn’t just to fill you up with answers, but to leave you hungry with questions.” Why is it important to ask questions? Where should we look for answers?
4. Reflect on Ephesians 4:1-16. Why might it be important to learn from people in the church who have views that differ from our own? What are some ways we can seek unity in the body of Christ, while still allowing diversity?
5. Read Ephesians 4:14-16 together. Paul writes that we shouldn’t be “tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people’s trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming.” What do you think he means? How can we apply his words to what we learn today?
6. Take inventory. What have we done as a church to be a learning community? Where have you participated in learning opportunities? How have we encouraged learning for “every age and every stage” in our church?

Prayer:

- Pray for those affected by the flu or any illness.
- Pray for our church family to be the light in our community.

Leader notes:

- On February 14 (Ash Wednesday) we will begin a church wide journey toward the Cross of Christ and eventually, to the empty tomb. We will have a few ways we’re journeying together: 1) Worship, focusing on Mark’s Gospel, 2) a daily devotional by N.T. Wright *Lent For Everyone, Mark Year B*, (available Feb 4th until our copies run out- \$10), 3) digging deeper questions.