

The table is open.

That means that all are invited to respond to Christ's invitation to draw closer to God around the communion table no matter where you come from, what you've done or who you are. All are welcome. For Disciples, the open table is a powerful symbol of our deep commitment to Christian unity. The open table honors diversity even as it celebrates unity in Christ.

Disciples congregations celebrate the Lord's Supper every Sunday. The table is not only at the center of worship in our congregations, it is at the center of who we are as the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

We don't stay at the table. We move out into the world to fulfill our mission, to be and share the Good News of Jesus Christ, witnessing, loving and serving from our doorsteps to the ends of the earth. (Acts 1:8)

We believe that God is calling the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) to be a faithful, growing church that demonstrates true community, deep Christian spirituality and a passion for justice. (Micah 6:8)

The Preamble of the Design for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

As members of the Christian Church, We confess that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, and proclaim him Lord and Savior of the world.

In Christ's name and by his grace we accept our mission of witness and service to all people.

We rejoice in God, maker of heaven and earth, and in God's covenant of love which binds us to God and to one another.

Through baptism into Christ we enter into newness of life and are made one with the whole people of God.

In the communion of the Holy Spirit we are joined together in discipleship and in obedience to Christ.

At the Table of the Lord we celebrate with thanksgiving the saving acts and presence of Christ.

Within the universal church we receive the gift of ministry and the light of scripture.

In the bonds of Christian faith we yield ourselves to God that we may serve the One whose kingdom has no end.

Blessing, glory, and honor be to God forever. Amen.

For more information on the work of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), go to www.disciples.org



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Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

Discover the Disciples

We are Disciples of Christ,

a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us.

