

Wednesday

Read Galatians 3:27 *How we accept Christ*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *What does your baptism mean to you today? (If you are not baptized, how might it shape your life?)*
2. *How does your life show that you are clothed with Christ?*

Prayer Focus New clothes, new life; we put on you, Jesus, when we are baptized into your family. We acknowledge that we're walking around wearing you like our clothes, for all to see. Remind us of your image in us, and help us live in your love, respecting and revering each person.

Thursday

Read Galatians 3:28 *All labels fall away*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *How do divisions fade when we are baptized in Christ?*
2. *When do you feel most like you are one in Christ?*

Prayer Focus Redeemer, many of us have been hurt by labels and divisions we've put on ourselves and others. Erase the lines that allow to come between us. Show us how being yours takes us from separation into community, from isolation into belonging.

Friday

Read Galatians 3:29 *How we belong*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *What is the promise that Paul mentions here?*
2. *How can we live lives that reflect God's promise?*

Prayer Focus Sustainer, you came to fulfill the law and the prophets and in you we can serve God's promise: that God would bless all the people of the world. We re-commit to being agents of your blessing today and always.

One in Christ

Pastor's message: 6/19/22 Galatians 3:23-29;
Fathers' Day/Juneteenth
Message Notes:

Small Group Format



Welcome

- Introductions/getting acquainted
- Mutual Invitation question: *Complete this sentence: One spiritual tradition I have (or always have wanted to have) in my life or my family is ____.*

Opening Prayer

Song (optional)

Reflection on Scripture

Have someone read: **Galatians 3:23-29**

- Discuss observations about the text
 - *What word or phrase strikes you the most?*
 - *What do you think is the most important point of the text?*

Application of Scripture (The central transformative questions)

- What did you hear God say to you through this week's Scriptures?
- What are you doing about it?
- How can we support you?

Share your faith (in groups of 3)

- *How have you experienced God recently in your life?* (This is a weekly question - it may be difficult to answer at first, but if you ask it each week you may start to notice God more in your life.)

Pray for each other

Refreshments (optional)

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June 19, 2022

Monday

Read Galatians 3:23-24 *The Law and Christ*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *What problems can come with being bound by the law and not by faith in Christ?*
2. *How does freedom in Christ affect how you live?*

Prayer Focus Following the law is not a bad thing. But just following the law doesn't give much room for the work of your Holy Spirit, God. We remember today that we can have faith in your great love and forgiveness, which the law cannot offer.

Tuesday

Read Galatians 3:25-26 *Freedom in the family*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *Does being in Christ mean we're free to do whatever we want? Why?*
2. *How do you see your role in our community today, as a child of God through faith?*

Prayer Focus Thanks you, God, for adopting each of us, accepting and including each of us as family. Show us how we can step into your circle, find our place with you, and then, in turn, welcome others into the family of God.