

The High Standard of Our Love To One Another: JESUS!

“Just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another... This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.”  
John 13:34b, 15:12 ESV

### *Six Credentials of Our Love for One Another*

Credential #1: SACRIFICE

“Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.”  
John 15:13 ESV

Credential #2: FRIENDSHIP

“You are my friends if you do what I command you.”  
John 15:14 ESV

Credential #3: TRANSPARENCY

“No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.”  
John 15:15 ESV

Credential #4: CHRIST CHOSEN

“You did not choose me, but I chose you.”  
John 15:16a ESV

Credential #5: KINGDOM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

“I...appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide.”  
John 15:16b ESV

Credential #6: PRAYER TOGETHER

“...so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.”  
John 15:16c ESV

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# Welcome to



a community loving God and loving people.

### **We're So Glad You're Here!**

We plan to celebrate Christ's love for seventy-five minutes tonight and we hope you'll sing, pray, laugh and learn along with us. Are you worried about the rules - when to stand, when to sit, what to say? Don't be! We've worked hard to make our time together just like family. So sit back, relax, and enjoy the service. You're definitely among friends here at Church Requel.

### **Tonight: "Love One Another"**

We continue our Easter sermon series this evening with the study of John 15:12-17. Our love for one another is the credential of our authentic Christianity. This is how Jesus defines it and how the world will view us. We'll examine the six credentials Jesus defines for us.

### **Communion Tonight**

We plan to celebrate communion together. We invite you to participate if you are a Christ-follower. We'll take the bread and cup together this evening after the sermon. You do not need to be a member of our church to participate.

### **Info Card**

Would you do us the favor of filling out the green Info Card from top to bottom? We promise that no one will show up at your door! We'll use the info to keep you posted on what's happening at Church Requel. Also you can write a message to Pastor Mark on the back of the Info Card. He reads them faithfully each and every week! Drop off your Info Card in one of the offering baskets on the communion table. Thanks!

### **White Donation Envelope**

We appreciate your worship by the giving of your tithes and offerings to support the ministry of Church Requel. Use the white envelope in your program and drop it in one of the offering baskets on your way out. Thank you for your ongoing, generous support!

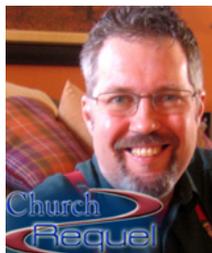
### **Prayer Requests and Praises**

Do you have something you'd like us to pray about? After our announcements, our worship leader Nate Williams will pray for your requests. Fill out the peach prayer request card and hold it up during the announcements.

Visit our website: [www.ChurchRequel.org](http://www.ChurchRequel.org)

## Celebrating the Lenten Season

This is the time of year when we look forward to Resurrection Day - otherwise known as Easter. Many churches celebrate a special Lent - a time set aside to anticipate Easter. We plan on doing some special things too this year. 1st - we have a special sermon series, "Final Words," which is designed to help us think about Jesus' last days. 2nd - we are planning on serving in Christ's name by giving out 100 meals to the poor on the day before Easter. 3rd - we will be celebrating our communion time each week at the end of our service by taking the bread and the cup together. I look forward to enjoying this Easter season with you!



With love and affection, Pastor Mark

## Spring Potluck - Next Sunday!

"Potluck." The very word starts our mouths to watering! It's one of our favorite events at Church Requel. Plan on joining all your friends at church next Sunday. Each family should bring two dishes. Each single person brings one dish. Show up with food at 4:30pm. We'll start serving at 4:45pm.

## Deliver Meals - April 23rd

Thank you all for volunteering to serve meals to the hungry on the day before Easter, Saturday, April 23rd. Mark it on your calendar! If you haven't already committed to this, write a note on the back of your Info Card. We could still use some vehicles on that day too. Write on the Info Card if yours is available.

## Let's Feed The Hungry This Easter!

Each weekend when you come to Church Requel, bring some groceries with you! We plan to give 50 Easter dinners away on Saturday, April 23rd. The turkeys and potatoes have been donated. Here's what you can bring:

- cans of corn or green beans - still need!
- ~~boxes of mac and cheese~~ still need a few
- cans of fruit cocktail - still need!
- ~~boxes of stuffing mix~~ mostly covered
- boxed desserts like brownies or ~~cake mix with icing~~



## Songs From Tonight

These are the songs we are singing tonight in case you want to keep up your own worship music this week:

"All Creatures" by David Crowder

"Indescribable" by Chris Tomlin

"Came to My Rescue" Hillsong United

"You Are My Strength" Hillsong United

## Good Friday Service

Thank you so much for your responses to the Good Friday service questionnaire the past two weekends. About half of you responded that this was something you really wanted to do. Our leadership team has decided to join in with OCF on Friday, April 22nd. More details coming.



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<sup>12</sup>"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup> No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup> You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. <sup>17</sup> These things I command you, so that you will love one another."

John 13:34-35; 15:12-17 ESV

## The "New" Commandment "Love One Another" Sandwiched Between

**BETRAYAL** and **DENIAL**

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another."  
John 13:34a ESV

## Loving One Another is Our **PROOF OF PURCHASE**.

"By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:35 ESV

Our love - not our **DOCTRINE** - is how others will know!