

Theme: The human desire and need for community is rooted in the Trinity, the Divine Community. As the image of God, humans were created for community. However, like everything else, community was marred by the fall. Yet, the possibility of true community with God and one another is restored in Christ and may be experienced in His people, the Church.

## **I. The Trinity - The Divine Community**

- A. Theme: The One True God is the Holy Trinity - Three Persons in Perfect relationship from all eternity - the Divine Community.
- B. Text: Matthew 3:16-17; John 17:24
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: 2 Corinthians 13:14

## **II. Humanity - Created for Community**

- A. Theme: As the image of the Triune God, the Divine Community, humans are by nature relational, created to be part of a community.
- B. Text: Genesis 1:26-28; 2:18-25
- C. Response: Prayer
- D. Benediction: 1 Thessalonians 3:12-13

## **III. The Disintegration of Community**

- A. Theme: Ever since the Fall, sin and culture have disintegrated community and encouraged isolation from God and one another.
- B. Text: Genesis 3:1-24
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: Hebrews 13:20-21

## **IV. The Restoration of Community**

- A. Theme: The possibility of true community with God and one another is restored in Christ and may be experienced in His people, the Church.
- B. Text: Ephesians 2:11-22
- C. Response: Prayer
- D. Benediction: Romans 15:5-6

The Community - The Trinity, Humanity, and the  
Church  
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