

# We're so glad you're here today!

Is this your first time here? Welcome! Stop by the Info Spot before or after the service. We'd love to meet you, answer any questions you have, and give you some information. For kids and students, we offer great programs specially tailored to their ages. The Westwood Kids team is happy to help you get them connected. For more info on the great things happening here, check out [westwoodcc.org](http://westwoodcc.org).

## Communion

Today we will experience communion. We invite everyone who is a follower of Jesus to participate. You do not need to be a member of Westwood Community Church. The bread and cup will be passed to you as you are seated. Hold each element until everyone has been served. We will eat and drink together. Gluten-free bread is available at the usher station in the back.



Mark your calendars and start inviting friends to this inspirational evening. This year's event features guest speaker Polly Patrick and music by gospel recording artist Tonia Hughes. You'll leave with your heart encouraged and prepared for the most wonderful time of the year. November 12, 13 and 14 at 7:00pm, Chanhassen Campus. Tickets go on sale Monday, October 8 at noon.

 **Worship**

 **Belong**

 **Serve**

 **Go**

**See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!** 1 John 3:1

Our Pathway: Worship – **Belong** – Serve – Go

The Longing to Belong

The Meaning of Belong

- To \_\_\_\_\_ and be \_\_\_\_\_

The Choosing to Belong

- Join a small group
- Moving from attender to member

## Bible Reading Plan

Join us in reading the Bible together. The Bible Reading Plan is a way to incorporate reading the Bible into your week. These verses are chosen by our staff and designed to complement the Sunday message.

You can find it on our app or at [westwoodcc.org/readingplan](http://westwoodcc.org/readingplan)

- Acts 2:42–47
- John 15:1–17
- Psalm 24
- Romans 12:1–10
- John 17:9–26



Pathways #2  
*Belong*

Small Group Questions

1. When in your life did you first become aware of your longing to belong? Share a time when you really felt and knew you were chosen or included or share a time when you didn't feel chosen or included. How did this experience impact you personally?
2. Author, scholar and sociologist Brené Brown distinguishes between belonging and fitting in. What is the distinction she makes?
3. How would you describe what it means to belong to Jesus? How would you describe what it means to someone who doesn't understand? Read these parallel passages for insight: I Corinthians 3:21-23; 6:19-20; 7:22-23; and 15:22-23; Galatians 3:29 and 5:24. Summarize the point of each verse as it relates to our belonging to him. Can you think of other verses that help us understand what it means to belong to Christ or to each other?
4. The Hebrew phrase *Kehillah Kedosha* means 'sacred community.' The question is, what makes community sacred? Pastor Joel summarized four experiences that shape our sense of belonging. Review what each one means and how you see it reinforced in the Word of God.
  - To know and be known                      John 10:14-15
  - To love and be loved                         Luke 10:27; I John 3:1
  - To serve and be served                     Matthew 20:28
  - To celebrate and be celebrated            Luke 15:31-32
5. In what ways do we choose to belong? Pastor Joel encouraged two choices that enrich our sense of belonging. First, to join a small group. How has your small group experienced enriched your experience of belonging or not? Second, to become a member of a local church. How does membership enrich our sense of belonging? Are you a member? Why or why not?
6. Do you feel like you belong? Why or why not?