

Connect to Group

1. Did you attend the Fall Block Party? If so, did you meet anyone there that you didn't know before?
2. Last Sunday was Reformation Sunday — a day celebrating Martin Luther nailing his 95 theses to a church door to start a dialogue about the corruption in the church of his day. What issues do you think a modern-day Reformation would address?
3. Talk about the differences — as you see them — between an institution and a movement. What are some “movements” that you have been a part of?

Connect to God

1. Pastor Schlie states in his message that “Jesus can’t stand boring.” Where do you see this demonstrated in the gospel accounts of His life and ministry?
2. In Matthew 16:16, Simon Peter describes Jesus as “... *the Christ, the Son of the living God.*”
 - a. How does the “Jesus movement” spring from Peter’s confession?
 - b. At the moment when Jesus declares Peter’s confession as the “rock” upon which His church was to be built, how do you think Jesus envisioned His church?
3. Name some ways that Jesus followers today embody Christian charity in ways that positively impact our world.

Apply the Teaching

1. Identify ways that you can live as the church outside of worship on Sunday mornings.
2. Repeat Messiah’s vision statement until you have it memorized: *For too long the church has been known for what it’s against. We want to be known for what we’re for. We are FOR St. Charles.*