

# **A Caring and Generous Community**

Expressing Christian Love:  
A Five Session Short Course



January 11, 2017 - February 8, 2017

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**"Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?"**

**I will, with God's help."**

## **Holy Baptism**

### Topics and Dates

Inclusiveness and Acceptance	11 Jan.
Trust	18 Jan.
Encouragement & Moral Support	25 Jan.
Generosity	01 Feb.
A Community of Service	08 Feb.

# The Rules of Engagement

This is a five week discussion group that deals with being a welcoming, loving, dynamic, and community focused congregation. We will meet once a week on Wednesdays at 6:00 PM. There will be a light meal from 6:00 PM until 6:30 PM. Prayer and discussion will last from 6:30 PM until 8:00 PM (90 minutes). This group discussion has no reading assignments. And, you can come to any of the individual discussions. For those who want to have a look at what will be discussed each week the material for the week will be available on the SMM website.

- We will take this study seriously.
- We will support the facilitator by actively taking part in the discussion and not depending on the facilitator to carry the discussion.
- We will share the discussion with other group members and not dominate it.
- We will encourage and support one another.
- We will enjoy getting to know one another better and sharing our life stories, and will respect the confidences of other group members.
- We will accept that we may from time to time have different understandings of the material and will avoid judging one another based on these differences.

So, let us once again come together in excitement, anticipation, inquiry, and love as we discuss what it means to be " A Caring and Generous Community."

Blessings!