

Rocky Mountain Synod Video Stories

Devotional #2

Bread in the City

Read Acts of the Apostles 2:44-47

Acts portrays the early Church as communities who “devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.”

“All who believed were together and had all things in common (koinonia); they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.”



Show the video “Bread in the City” (8 minutes)

Reflect Together (Respond to all the questions or select 1 or 2 questions)

“Koinonia” means being together and having all things in common. *Koinonia* is sharing: sharing life, sharing possessions, sharing fellowship and food and prayer. *Koinonia* is connecting to others in Christ who holds all in love.

How does the Urban Servant Corps resemble the community described by the book of Acts?

What do they hold in common with the people they serve?

What are they willing to share?

What about the Corps gives you hope?

Where do you experience “koinonia?”

Where do you find “koinonia” in your congregational community?

The Urban Servant Corps director speaks of a year of service as a “*transformational experience.*”

Discuss together what you would hope these young people will become.

What transformation would you hope for those they serve?

Dream together: In what ways might your congregation be transforming lives?

Prayer

O Living Christ, You come to us as one who holds all things in common with us. You share your life and your love that we might be part of your generous and abundant koinonia. Keep us in your circle of sharing with those who hunger. Send your Spirit that our lives may be transformed towards your loving purpose. Amen

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