

DIFFERENT

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Opening Questions

- When you think of Church what comes to mind?
- How would you describe it?
- How is it unique?
- What about it do you love?
- Are there some things about it that disturb you?

Six Models of Church from *Models of Church* by Avery Dulles

1. INSTITUTION
2. MYSTICAL COMMUNION
3. SACRAMENT
4. HERALD
5. SERVANT
6. COMMUNITY of DISCIPLES

Introduction

The Church is first a living ORGANISM & also necessarily an ORGANIZATION with structure (for its well-being & protection of truth).

Big Thought | Peter 2:4-12

Jesus the LIVING STONE, the CORNERSTONE, is building His followers, living stones, into a SPIRITUAL HOUSE.

Reflection | Corinthians 12:12-27

- Followers of Jesus are in a SYMBIOTIC relationship.
- If PARTS of the church are missing, that is PROBLEMATIC.
- Do you UNDERSTAND your part & other's parts in the Body of Christ?

A Purpose of the Church

One PURPOSE of this spiritual house is to be a holy PRIESTHOOD offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus.

Conclusion: Spiritual Sacrifices Offered to God

Live such a GOOD LIFE that all may see your GOOD DEEDS & GLORIFY God.

THE BIG 3

THREE THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

If you are interested in becoming a member of GracePoint, or just want to learn more about what we believe, you are encouraged to attend the membership class, during 2nd & 3rd service (9:45 a.m. - noon) on Sunday, October 16 in the Great Room. The class will be led by Pastor Dave. Please sign up for the class at gpw.church/member or by contacting the church office, 692-6671 or info@gracepointwesleyan.org.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Trunk or Treat will be held on Sunday, October 30 here at GracePoint. Candy lines open at 3 p.m. & go until 5 p.m. Get your friends, family, coworkers, growth group, or other crew together to come up with a creative theme to decorate your trunk! This year, volunteer judges will cast their votes for the best trunks in several categories, for prizes to be given away at the end of the night.

Help is also needed by donating candy, with set-up/tear-down, parking & greeting to name a few. This is an opportunity for us, as a church, to be a good neighbor to Brookings & invite everyone we know to come encounter, grow & give grace!

Go to gpw.church/tot to sign-up!

BAPTISM CLASS

On Sunday, November 6 at 11 a.m., Pastor Ryan & Pastor Dave will be leading a baptism class in Rom 220. Pastor Nathan will be leading a class for kids in Room 210 at the same time. We'll celebrate the baptisms during the morning services on Sunday, November 20. Sign-up at the Info Center or call the church office at 605-692-6671.

