

Theme: As the image of the Trinity, the Church is called to be the beautiful community of unity and diversity, and everything we need to accomplish this has been given to us by God so that we might overflow with blessing for others.

I. The Beautiful Community - Reconciliation

- A. Theme: God has reconciled us to Himself and one another through the work of Jesus on the cross, creating the Church as the beautiful community of reconciliation in which He lives by His Spirit.
- B. Text: Ephesians 2:11-22
- C. Response: Prayer
- D. Benediction: 2 Corinthians 13:14
- E. Teaching keywords: Church; Trinity; community; image of God; reconciliation; racism

II. The Beautiful Community - Unity

- A. Theme: The Church is given a unity that flows from the life of the Trinity, but we must work to maintain this unity in practice.
- B. Text: Ephesians 4:1-6
- C. Response: Prayer
- D. Benediction: Romans 15:5-6
- E. Teaching keywords: Church; Trinity; community; unity; character

III. The Beautiful Community - Diversity

- A. Theme: The Church becomes a beautiful community of diversity as we embrace each other with our different gifts, experiences, ethnicities, and backgrounds and submit to God's Word together.
- B. Text: 1 Corinthians 12:4-7
- C. Response: Prayer
- D. Benediction: 1 Thessalonians 3:12-13
- E. Teaching keywords: Church; Trinity; community; spiritual gifts

IV. The Beautiful Community - Humble Servanthood

- A. Theme: If the Church is to be a beautiful community of unity and diversity, we must walk in humility, being willing to sacrifice our own rights in order to serve our brothers and sisters.
- B. Text: Philippians 2:1-11
- C. Response: Prayer
- D. Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26
- E. Teaching keywords: Church; Trinity; community; humility and pride; service; sanctification; Christology

V. The Beautiful Community - Forgiveness

- A. Theme: To express the love of the Trinity, the Church must be a beautiful community where the forgiveness offered in the Gospel is celebrated, received, and given.
- B. Text: Ephesians 4:29-5:2
- C. Response: Prayer
- D. Benediction: 2 Corinthians 13:14
- E. Teaching keywords: Church; Trinity; forgiveness

VI. The Beautiful Community - Blessing

- A. Theme: The Church is the community of blessing, where those who are in Christ and walking in unity receive every spiritual blessing promised by God.
- B. Text: Ephesians 1:3-14
- C. Response: Prayer
- D. Benediction: Deuteronomy 1:11
- E. Teaching keywords: Church; Trinity; blessing; unity

VIII. The Beautiful Community - Mission

- A. Theme: The Church is the beautiful community of those blessed by the Trinity and sent forth to spread the blessing of God throughout the earth.
- B. Text: John 20:21-23
- C. Response: Prayer
- D. Benediction: Psalm 67:1-2, 5-7
- E. Teaching keywords: Church; Trinity; evangelism and missions; mercy and mercy ministry; blessing

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