

HUDDLE TALK

CELEBRATE

1-3 Minutes

- Good morning everyone, I am so glad to see all of you this morning and happy to get a chance to serve alongside you.
- Quickly I want to share with you a comment we received from a guest recently. Often, the systems and processes that are so normal to us will stand out to those who are new. A woman wrote:
 - “I was a little nervous if I would be comfortable attending church because I hadn’t been in years, but when I walked in someone said to me “I’m so glad you’re here,” with a big smile. It was instantly disarming to me. I just wanted to tell you thank you for making this uncomfortable person feel a little more comfortable”
- I’m so proud of you team! You never know what little moment will make a big impact.

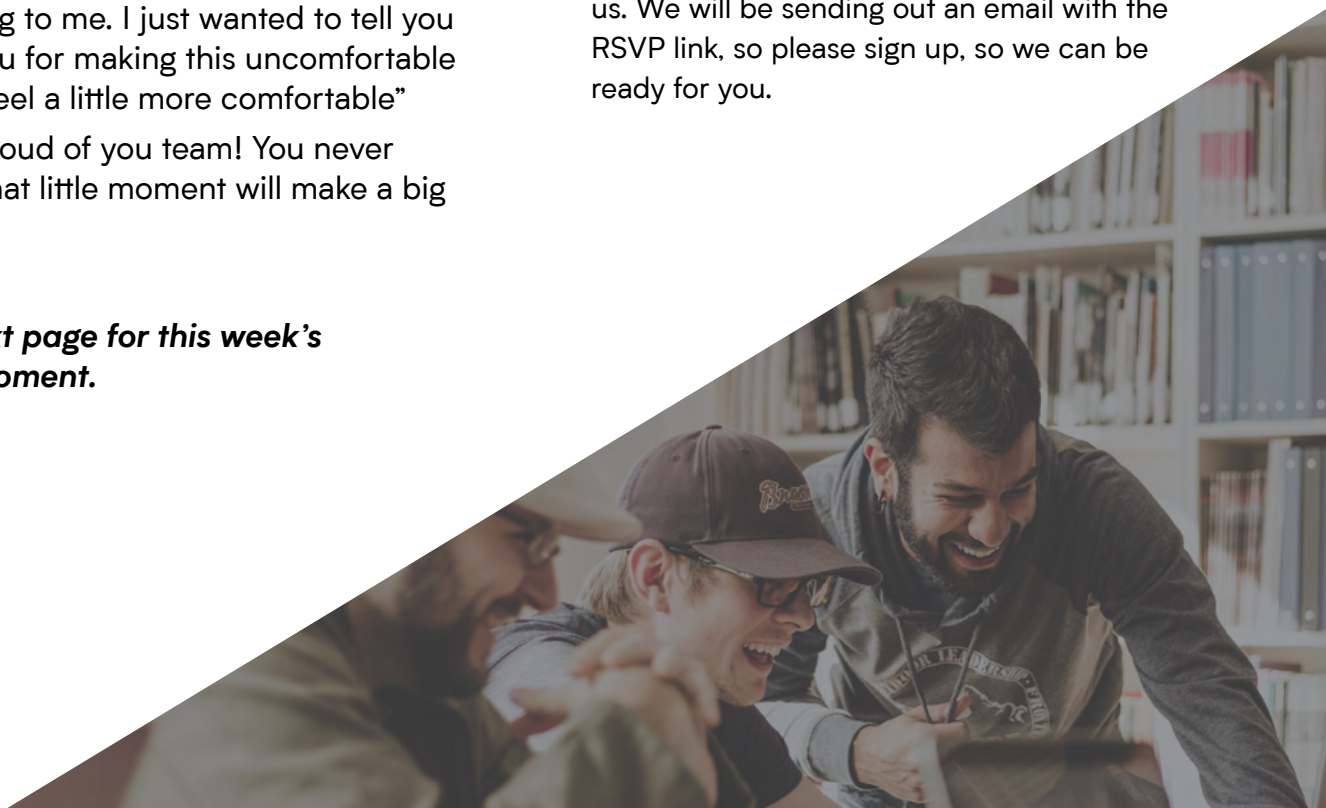
See the next page for this week’s Connect moment.

COMMUNICATE

1-2 Minutes

I have a few reminders:

- On Wednesday of next week, we will be having a Night of Worship at the church. We will need 5 volunteers to help us with communion prep for this night. It’s always a great event, but we would love your help to make it happen. If you are interested let your Team Leader know and we will get you the information.
- Now it is still a month away, but our big volunteer event is happening soon. This is a time specially prepared for all of you. You care for our community each week, so this is an event for you to receive some care from us. We will be sending out an email with the RSVP link, so please sign up, so we can be ready for you.



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LET'S CONNECT!

CONNECT

2-4 Minutes

How often have you been told to be humble or to seek after humility? It can often feel like a difficult trait to seek after. What do you think of when it comes to a person who embodies humility? I think of someone who is humble as an individual who does not boast or think highly of themselves. They give so much to those around them and do not seek out praise.

But is this the correct definition or description we should be measuring against?

I am brought back to the C.S. Lewis quote about humility. If you don't know C.S. Lewis, he wrote the Chronicles of Narnia book series and many Christian books that have stirred many to think critically about their faith engagement. Well this is what Lewis says when it comes to humility:

“Humility is not thinking less of yourself, it's thinking of yourself less”

This quote has stuck with me for years since I first heard it.

Too often when I am seeking to be humble in my life, I belittle myself. By saying that others are better than me at a particular skills, or I am not as well liked by people. That feels like striving towards humility right? Well C.S. Lewis reminds us that this is not the true approach to humility.

We can be proud of our skills and accomplishments. The ways God has created us unique and to be an important part of our community. But we don't focus on those aspects of ourselves. We know these gifts and talents and use them to care for others. Thinking about yourselves less often and instead focusing on those who we encounter each day.

So today, as we go out to our position and prepare for those joining us, let's do it with humility. Not believing that you have nothing to bring to the care of the community today, but knowing you are an essential piece. An essential piece who is focused on who you might engage next.