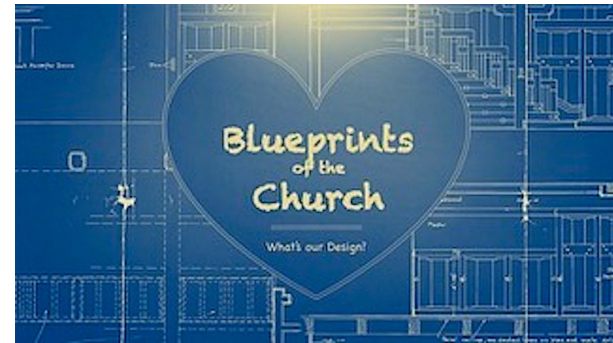


## Praying Together

Your Life Group is a time to build solid Christian relationships, explore the Scripture together, and pray. Share some personal prayer items with each other, jotting things down in the space below so you can continue to pray at home. That's how Community Covenant engages in regular prayer.

## Prayer For Each Other



### Conflict In The Church

1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 30-31

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## Prayers For the Church

- Pray for church unity
- Pray for our leaders and pastors
- Pray for the various areas of our church's ministry, particularly our Fall Fest on October 29
- Pray for those affected by recent tragedies and natural disasters

## Pray for our community and the world

**Before You Unroll the Blueprints:**

What is something that you own that has broken recently, and what did you do about it?

*Note – In our consumeristic culture, we often discard what is broken rather than figuring out the root issue and trying to fix it. This attitude gets applied not just to our possessions, but to our relationships and to our involvement in church as well.*

**Opening the Blueprints:**

**Read 1 Corinthians 1: 10-13, 30-31\***

What is/are the outward conflict(s) in this text?

What might be happening internally within the quarreling Corinthian believers to result in this outward conflict?

What does God desire for them instead? Consider what God is trying to heal within each individual, what relationships marked by Christ's presence and their humility might look like, and what they collectively might have spent their energy and focus on instead.

**Getting into the Superstructure:**

As time allows, consider other Scriptures:

James 4:1-4

Matthew 15:18-19

Romans 7:4-6

Psalm 51

**Taking Some Personal Measurements:**

Consider a conflict you are currently experiencing. What is happening internally within you that is manifesting in this outward conflict?

What does God desire for you instead?

What is God saying to you through this text and group study?

**Closing Prayer:**

Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. (Psalm 51: 9-10)