

# Life Church

2:17-21; Acts 4:8-12; Romans 10:1-13

Those who belong to Jesus (i.e. “Christians”) hear his voice and follow him, empowered by the Holy Spirit.

*John 10:22-30; John 14:15-31; John 16:5-16*

Only those who follow Jesus in a public, verifiable way are Christians. Merely going to church or claiming to follow Jesus is not enough!

*Matthew 7:21-29; Matthew 21:28-32; Acts 5:1-11*

In Acts chapter 2:1-40 we read about the initial outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the church and Peter’s subsequent spirit-led sermon. Those who heard him responded:

*They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. - Acts 2:42*

Here we can see that following Jesus includes:

- Bible teaching and study
- Fellowship
- The Lord’s Supper / Communion
- Prayer

The rest of the chapter (Acts 2:43-47) shows them worshipping together, sharing what they had like family, and experiencing God’s supernatural power.

## Scriptures

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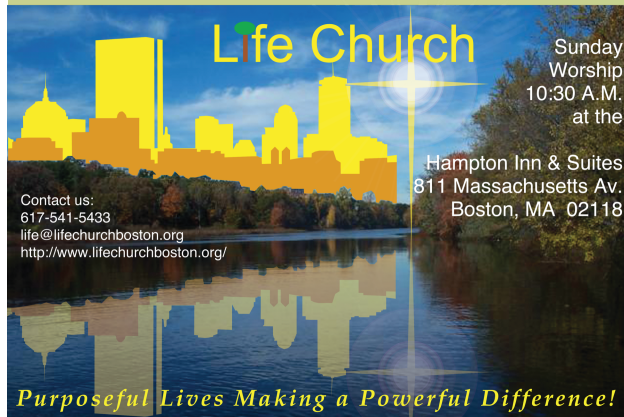
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## Stay In Touch!

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## Welcome to Life Church!

### Are you a Christian?

*Consider following Jesus with us!*

### Not sure?

*We can help you figure it out!*

### Curious?

*We welcome your questions!*

## About Us

### Visiting Us

We meet on Sundays for worship, teaching, and fellowship, and in small groups during the week - ask about joining one!

On first Sundays we celebrate the Lord’s Supper (Communion) and, instead of a formal sermon, we have prayer, testimonies, or questions & answers.

<http://www.lifechurchboston.org/>

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## Mission

Our mission is to teach people:

to enjoy knowing Jesus without fear, inadequacy, guilt, or shame,

*Acts 2:41-47; Acts 4:31-37; Romans 8:28-39; Hebrews 4:14-16; 1John 4:13-18*

to follow him together as his family,

*Mark 10:23-31; Acts 2:41-47; Acts 4:31-37*

to function together as his body,

*Romans 12:1-16; 1Corinthians 12; Ephesians 4:7-16*

and to work together to expand his kingdom and glorify him.

*Matthew 5:13-14; Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; Acts 2:41-47; Acts 5:12-16*

## Giving

Our members and friends support us. Giving is a form of worship that God wants us to do cheerfully (2 Corinthians 8 - 9), so **we don't want visitors to feel pressured during our weekly offerings.** If you want to contribute, please use one of our offering envelopes and make any checks payable to: Life Church. You can also give through our web site.

## Pastoral Leadership Team

Gayle Baxter, William Baxter, Eva Clarke, Rocklyn Clarke, Al Copeland, Valerie Copeland, Crystal Dixon, Michael Dixon, Bil Mooney-McCoy, Paulea Mooney-McCoy.

*(Rocklyn & Eva launched Life Church in 2003)*

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Let us help you fulfill your ministry!  
*Ephesians 4:7-16*

## About God

**The Good News (Gospel)**  
Through Jesus God has become king and his Kingdom is within your grasp!

God created a wonderful world, but human rebellion has broken it.

*Genesis 1 - 2; Psalm 8; Genesis 3 - 6; Romans 1:18-32; Romans 8:18-27*

God is recreating the world through his kingdom (government).

*Ephesians 1:3-10; Matthew 25:31-46; Hebrews 12:25-29; Revelation 21:1 - 22:5*

God's kingdom is a family that he wants us to join!

*Matthew 12:46-50; Ephesians 3:14-15; Hebrews 2:10-15; 1Peter 4:17-19; Revelation 22:1-5*

We join God's family by repenting and following Jesus!

*Matthew 4:17-22; Matthew 17:1-8; Luke 9:23-25; John 6:25-29; John 10:22-30*

## Jesus

Jesus is God's eternal, unique son who announced God's Kingdom, died for the world's sins, and rose bodily from the dead in victory. Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John tell his story. He is the Christ, or Messiah - God's Chosen King and the world's true Lord. He reveals who God really is.

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*1 Corinthians 15; Acts 2:14-36; Matthew 11:25-30; Colossians 1:15-23; Hebrews 1:1-4*

## Following Jesus

The Bible uses many terms to describe those who follow Jesus: believer, born again, Christian, disciple, saint, saved.

**Believer** - someone who believes in or has faith in Jesus and therefore follows him.

*John 4:39-41; Acts 2:44-47; Acts 4:31-32; Galatians 6:9-10; James 2:1*

**Born again** - those who believe in Jesus are born again from God's Spirit. You must be born again to see or enter the Kingdom of God.

*John 3:1-21*

**Christian** - means "belonging to Christ"

*"The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch" - Acts 11:19-26*

**Disciples** - those who are trained by the one they are following.

*Matthew 5:1-2; Acts 6:1-7; Acts 9:1-31; Acts 11:19-26; Acts 18:23*

**Saints** - those who are "sanctified", or set apart for God's use.

*Romans 1:1-8; Ephesians 1:1-2; Philippians 1:1-2*

**Saved** - those who by following Jesus have been rescued from this world and God's wrath.

*Luke 8:12; Luke 8:4-15; John 10:1-9; Acts*