

LaunchPoint Micro Churches



Micro Church
A small community made
up of people around you.
It's a micro expression of
LaunchPoint Church!



The Covid Pandemic has been a difficult season but it has helped us clarify what we are doing as a Church. We can no longer meet the way we use to on Sundays, but there are new ways we can grow together as a community while still helping people find their way back to Jesus.

Many are uncomfortable gathering in larger groups due to risks associated with Covid, and the state order have prevented us to do so as well. But we know that our relationship with God is so essential to our lives that we can't wait until it is safe to live in community, grow in our faith, or find ways to serve others.

We have a need to make a change, in this season, to become a network of micro churches. These are small gatherings of Jesus followers living in communities as families, neighbors or groups of friends. This community learns together, to walk in the ways of Jesus while helping others find their way back to God. Read more below on the ways that we gather as a church and what you can do at home to lead your family, neighbors or friends in shared worship experiences.

What is a Micro Church?

A micro church is made up of people who are becoming more like Jesus by worshiping God together while helping one another find their way back to God. It's not rocket science and it can be done just about anywhere.

Church happens in 2 parts. First we all gather online through [Facebook](#) page or our [church online](#) platform. This 'large gathering' includes announcements, worship, prayer and an in-depth but brief teaching. This first part of the service lasts about 30-35 minutes.

Then with your micro church (your family, your neighbors, your co-workers or your roommates...) you can dive into the discussion guide that includes connection, Bible discovery, prayer, and action steps.

Why We Should Meet?

This passage is ringing loudly during this season:
“And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.”
- Hebrews 10:24-25

We need each other. We need a community to walk through life with us. We need people to challenge us and help us learn the way of Jesus. We need to hear each others' burdens and pray together. We need to serve together and work together to help other people find their way back to God. We need to worship and read and listen to God together as we teach our kids and grandkids the way of Jesus.

Where We Should meet?

Wherever you have space to gather, socially distant (for now) with a small group of people who want to join you. A porch, backyard, driveway, garage, living room, our Zoom Gathering, a park, a neighborhood clubhouse, pool side, the cabin, wherever you want.
A couple things to consider:

- Is it comfortable? Can we be safe?

What If I'm Leading A Micro Church?

Check out the “Micro Church Guide” to learn how to lead your own micro-church on zoom or in person.

Who Should Come?

You can join a micro church or start one yourself. Grab a few friends, your extended family, neighbors, softball team or just people you want to hang out with. Have a candid discussion of what you are comfortable with in terms of social distancing, masks, ... We recommend that if anyone has been exposed to covid-19 or has symptoms, they stay home and quarantine for the necessary time (10-14 days).



How Leading A Micro Church Works

We are people helping people find their way back to God.

Size

Depending on the limitations involved with the pandemic, we recommend limiting an in person gathering to 2-3 families. Micro Churches can have more when it's safe to do so. In a zoom setting, a Micro Church can expand to more than 15 people.

What it Looks Like

During your micro church you will watch the LaunchPoint Worship on [Facebook](#) or our [church online](#) (If your micro church needs to meet at a different time you can watch the recording from [Facebook](#)). At the conclusion of the worship broadcast, you will transition to discussion within your micro church to complete the service. Use the simple guide that has great power when every question is discussed each week. We strongly urge every micro church to trade off who leads the discussions each week so that everyone can develop that skill.

Help

As the person starting the micro church, you have access to weekly coaching for as long as you need it and then a monthly coaching call with other micro Church leaders. You can do it, and we want to help!

Micro Church Guide

1. CONNECT

- What are you **thankful** for?
- What's a **challenge** you're facing?
- How did you do with last week's 'I Will' statement? AND Did you share what we talked about with anyone?

2. DISCOVER

- READ the passage (provided during the online service)
- Have someone put it in their own words (others can help fill in blanks)
- **What does this text say about God?**
- **What does this text say about people?**
- **What is God saying to you?**

3. GO

- **How can you specifically live out this passage in the next few days?** *Everyone creates an "I WILL STATEMENT"*
 - **How can we help you?**
 - **Who are you going to tell about what you've discovered?**
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SUGGESTIONS

- ➔ Eating together is a powerful relationship builder. We highly suggest this for in person, gatherings. This can even act as your communion.
- ➔ If you meet in person, and decide not to treat the meal as communion, be sure to have some kind of communion elements for everyone.
- ➔ If you are meeting via zoom for Facebook Messenger Video, then the group can still participate in communion with each other over video.