



**Members Pursue Unified Community – [John 17:20-23](#)
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²⁰ “I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. John 17:20-23

Community: How we resemble Jesus.

From eternity past, God exists in _____ . . .

. . . And being made in His image, we are likewise designed to exist in _____.

Examples of how community shapes us:

- Provides _____ and _____.
- Provides _____.
- Provides _____.
- Provides the _____ for _____ of our faith.

Unified: How we reveal Jesus.

The unity of the church is one of the primary ways in which we provide witness and reveal Jesus to the world. However unity in the church is not uniformity.

Rather, unity in the church:

- Is based on _____ in Christ (1 Corinthians 12:27)
- Is characterized by _____ ([Philippians 2:3](#))
- Requires _____, rather than demanding, our _____ ([Romans 14:1-4](#))
- Is fueled by the _____ ([Ephesians 4:1-4a](#))

Pursue: How we participate with Jesus

Because it's not our default nature, unity in the church requires active pursuit ([Hebrews 10:24-25](#))

However active pursuit of unity in the church requires _____.

When we pursue unified community, we must be willing to risk participating in Jesus'

_____ in order that we might experience his _____.