

## **Vision Sunday**

Icebreaker Question: Pumpkin pie or apple pie?

Opening Question: Looking back to last week's sermon and scripture... How did you live differently or practice what we talked about in your life this week? What did you do and how did it go?

## This Week's Scriptures:

Luke 4:18-21

"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, <sup>19</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." <sup>20</sup> Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. <sup>21</sup> He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

**Scripture Reflection Questions:** Read this week's scripture together and discuss the following:

- Why do you think Jesus chose to read from Isaiah 61:1-2 to announce his ministry?
- What do each of these phrases mean in context:
  - o "Good news to the poor"?
  - o "Freedom for prisoners"?
  - "Recovery of sight for the blind"?
  - o "Set the oppressed free"?

• Which part of Jesus' mission as articulated in this passage is most personally relevant to you? Why?

**Sermon Reflection Questions:** Reflecting on this week's sermon, discuss the following:

Which part of BelPres' vision as described on Sunday do you feel most drawn to?
Why?

**Closing Question and Application:** Given what we've discussed together today, how might God want you to apply these learnings to your life or in the life of your community this next week? Who might you share this with?

**Closing group prayer:** Spend a few minutes together in your group sharing prayer requests and then praying together for each other. Take the challenging parts of your conversation to Jesus. Thank God for the time together, the conversation shared, the other people in the group, and for encouragement in the week ahead.