



**7 Easter 2019**

**Confirmation Sunday**

**Read John 17: 20-26** (Note the placement of this text, it is the night before Jesus is crucified.)

Sermon Question: What, if anything, did you take away from today's sermon? What did you hear?

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Notice that Jesus prays not only for the disciples, but also for "all those who believed on their account" – which includes us! What does it feel like to know that all those years ago Jesus was praying for you?
2. Jesus prays for a profound kind of unity between himself and his Father and all of us. Have you had moments where you felt that kind of unity in your faith community?
3. Jesus tells us that our love for one another shows the world God's love. How does your love point to God?
4. When do you find it easiest to pray? Most difficult?
5. What does an appropriate/adequate/fully developed prayer life look like?
6. What is the most powerful prayer experience you remember?
7. What is Jesus praying for in this text? Who is Jesus praying for?
8. How do you feel when someone prays out loud for you?
9. If God fully answered Jesus prayer what would the church look like? How is God answering Jesus prayer?
10. What is our role/response to Jesus prayer?
11. How do you suppose the first century disciples responded to this word? How do we respond today?