Icebreaker
What is the most joyful thing you will do this summer?

Read John 15:1-12 and discuss:
1. In John 15:1-11, Jesus makes these statements so that the disciples can have joy and “your joy may be complete.” What do you see in John 15:1-10 that will help bring joy and bring joy to completion even today?

2. If we don’t abide in Christ, we will wither (verse 6). Even those who bear fruit are pruned to bear more fruit (verse 2). Can you think of a time when you have been pruned and did it help you to grow?

3. Was there a time when you experienced joy in a difficult circumstance?

4. What impedes your ability to choose joy? How can you overcome this obstacle with God’s help?

5. Where do you need to find joy from God? Finish the sentence: “God, help me find joy in __________.”

6. What are some things in the story line of the Bible that bring you joy? How do they connect with joy in your life?

7. We’re concluding our True North series this week and finishing our study of Christian virtues. Of these virtues, what is one that is fruitful in your life and one that is withering or lacking: humility, hope, faithfulness, self-control, gentleness, patience, compassion, peace, love, joy?

Prayer
As you close in prayer, remember requests from our church family:
> Prayers of healing for Wanda Baker and Barbara Sloop.
> Prayers of comfort for the McDonald family in the death of Mark’s grandmother.