

current message series

This year, Beavercreek Church of the Nazarene turns 60! Over the last 60 years, we've made Jesus famous in our community by *Bridging Church to Neighborhood*. As Jesus has for us, we've gone into our neighborhoods, taking Jesus' love with us and showing our community in tangible, practical ways that Jesus loves them. Now it's time to take the *Next Right Step*. What will Beavercreek Nazarene look like in the next 60 years? What kind of church will we become? For the month of September, we explore our new vision, imagining together how it will shape our announcement of the Jesus' Good News in Beavercreek, Ohio. We want to become the Church that connects and engages the unchurched in our neighborhoods. What does that look like? Join us as we dream together!

today

Many Christians attempt to connect with those in their communities who are not part of their faith communities with programs and formulas. But when we see that God has not divided the world into sacred and secular, we are free to embrace those who are different from us in sacred friendship. Like Jesus becoming human, we can form meaningful connections with those who are not part of a church naturally and lovingly.

scriptures for further reading

Exodus 19:1-8; John 3:16-17; John 15:12-16; Colossians 1:11-22 1 John 4:9-12;

discussion questions

- 1. Do you consider yourself churched or unchurched? Why?
- 2. To what extent is your life divided into sacred and secular?
- 3. How is friendship the heart of the good news about Jesus?
- 4. What does a sacred friendship look like?
- 5. What is your next right step this week?





