

September Series



Why Church? Community



Healing Community Imagination



Community



**Community is not a synonym for church;
community is a practice of church; church is
a kind of community.**



What marks us as a community that is centred on Jesus?

What are the practices, the mindsets, the ways of relating that transform this *community* at a deeper level *into* the body of Christ?



The Story of Zaccheus

Luke 19 (Pg. 732)



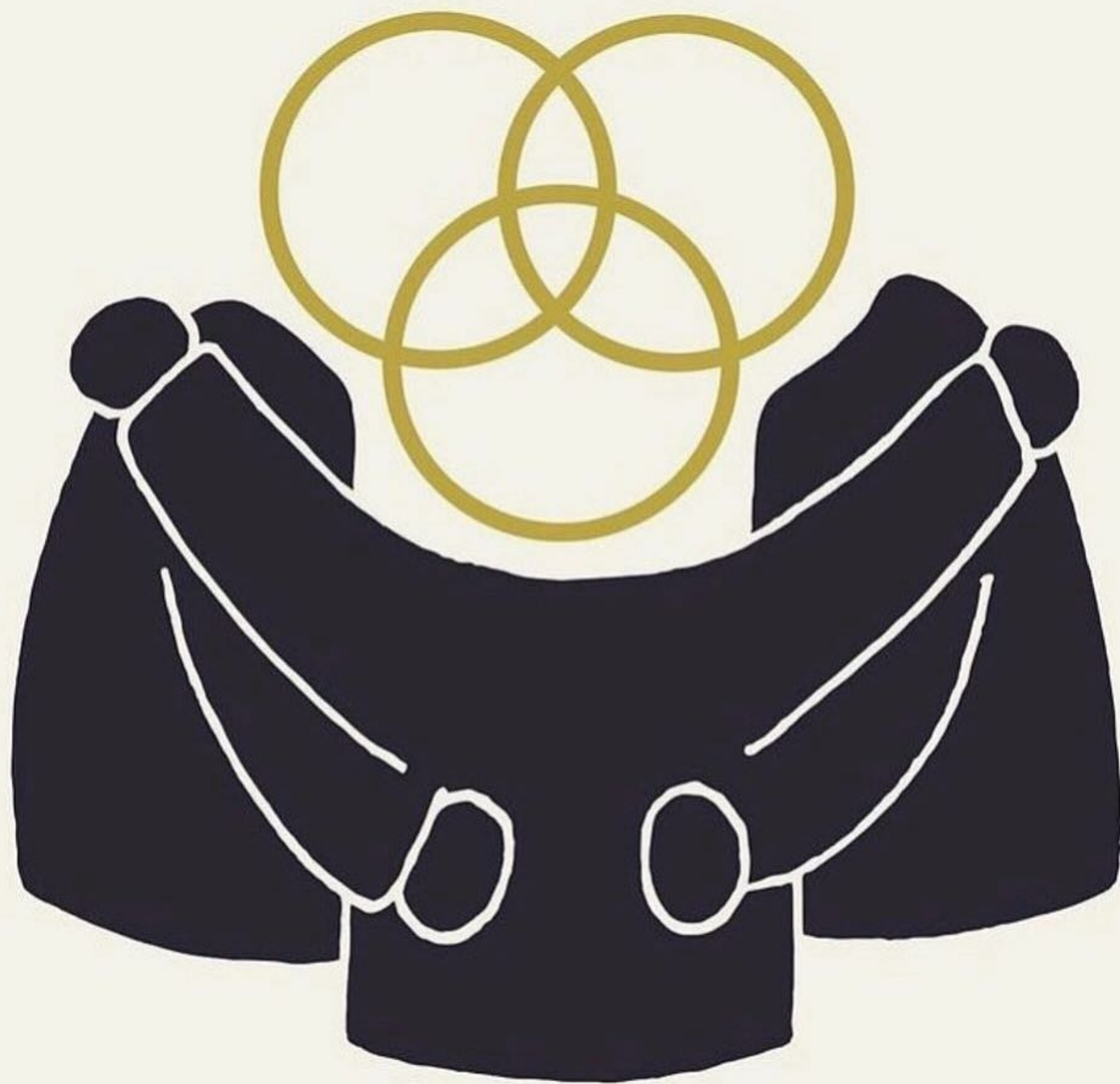
“Whether the ‘scarce resource’ is money or love or power or words, the true law of life is that we generate more of whatever seems scarce by trusting its supply and passing it around. Authentic abundance does not lie in secured stockpiles of food or cash or influence or affection, but in belonging to a community where we can give those goods to others who need them-and receive them from others when we are in need.”

Parker Palmer



Centered-Set Community





What is Church?



εκκλησια.
(Ekklesia)



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Jesus (Mt. 16:18)



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What kind of community are we?



“The way God designed our bodies is a model for understanding our lives together as a church: every part dependent on every other part... If one part hurts, every other part is involved in the hurt, and in the healing. If one part flourishes, every other part enters into the exuberance. You are Christ’s body—that’s who you are! You must never forget this. Only as you accept your part of that body does your ‘part’ mean anything.”

1 Corinthians 12:25-27 (The Message)

Pathways for Practicing Community

- Groups
- Rooftop BBQ!
- Kids & Youth Ministry



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Gather 'Round

Joy Banks