The Church Is...Baptized in Water: The Mandate, the Method, and the Meaning of Baptism

Scripture: Romans 6:1-14

Also: Matthew 28:19-20; Acts 8:38; Acts 2:38

Questions

- 1. Read Romans 6:1-14
- 2. What has challenged you, changed you or confused you from this week's sermon or the Scriptures in it?
- 3. Have you been baptized?
 - o If so, what do you remember/what stands out about the experience?
 - Was it positive or negative?
 - o Can you recall why you wanted to be baptized?
- 4. Read verses 5-11.
 - What does it mean to be united with Christ in His death? In His resurrection?
 - How does this change life for a Christian?
- 5. Read verses 12-14.
 - How does this connect with verses 1-4?
 - What does it mean to be under the law?
 - What does it mean to be under grace?
- 6. If you have not yet been baptized, is the Spirit nudging you to do so?
- 7. Do you know of someone who you could encourage toward baptism?

Thank God for the symbol of baptism!

 Pick one thing from the passage or from the discussion that you are thankful for (it should be something that connects personally to you, not just a general truth). Tell the group what it is, and if you're willing, ask God for an opportunity to share it with someone outside the group and outside Christianity.