

A low-angle photograph of hikers on a trail at sunrise. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a strong lens flare and illuminating the scene. The hikers are silhouetted against the bright light. The foreground is filled with tall, dry grass and small white flowers. The background shows a hilly landscape under a clear blue sky.

THE SEARCH BY FORMED®

INVITATION TO
THE SEARCH PARTY



EXPLORING THE MYSTERIES OF LIFE

What is The Search?

The Search explores life's biggest questions, assists in finding or reigniting meaning and purpose, and strengthens one's faith.

While The Search is video based, it is not meant just to be watched . . . and it is certainly not meant to be watched alone.

Over the course of seven weeks in January and February Pax Christi will be hosting "The Search" Parties which will consist of a dinner for the whole family followed by "The Search" video presentations and small group discussion.

Who is The Search for?

If your faith is already solid, The Search will help you to deepen it. If you're feeling unsure, it's for you too. If you're worried about your kids or grandkids, it's a great series for you to share with them by bringing them along.

Why is Pax Christi hosting The Search?

We are all searching for something. At Pax Christi we know that "something" is Jesus Christ and the peace he offers to each uniquely created soul. We encounter that peace through the sacraments, prayer, service, and community. We want to invite all our parishioners to encounter, become, and share the peace of Christ with the whole world. The Search will help us strengthen and engage our community by providing encounters with Jesus Christ, build us up so we can become the peace he gives us, and provide an outlet for sharing that peace with others.

SCHEDULES & LOCATIONS

Sundays

6:00–7:30 pm in the Church

Dinner at 5:15 pm in the Dining Hall

- January 9
- January 16
- January 23
- January 30
- Skip Feb 6
- February 13
- February 20
- February 27

Wednesdays

6:30–8:00 pm in the Church

Dinner at 5:00 pm in the Dining Hall

- January 12
- January 19
- January 26
- February 2
- February 9
- February 16
- February 23



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Whether you recognize it or not, the Holy Spirit is working through you to reach others. As a member of the Search Party your role is to engage parishioners who haven't come back to Mass yet, individuals who you know are searching themselves, and/or the person next to you in the pew who you know will benefit from a renewed sense of meaning and purpose in their life.

We also need help with the following roles:

Evening Host | Discussion Leader | Hospitality | Meal Preparation | Intercessor

SEARCH PARTY ROLE DESCRIPTIONS



Personal Invitation

The most important thing you can do is invite individuals, couples, and/or families who you think would benefit from being introduced to, taking part in, and/or committing further to the community here at Pax Christi. The Search is for anybody at any place at any stage in life's journey. We suggest focusing in on individuals, couples, and/or families who haven't come back to Mass yet, or who you haven't seen in a while. If you are brave you can even invite your friends who aren't Catholic!

Commitment: on-going



Discussion Leader

Kick start small group discussions after The Search video of the evening has been viewed in the large group. Work with supervising staff to provide fruitful discussion during small group time. Share your own thoughts and insights and seek input from all other small group participants.

Commitment: preferably all seven nights



Meal Preparation and/ or Clean-up

Provide food for the evening. Work with supervising staff/volunteers to prepare and serve a meal before the evening begins. Arrive early to prepare the meal, serve the meal, and/or help with clean-up.

Commitment: one night (or more if interested)



Hospitality

Provide a welcoming and comfortable environment for all participants. Work with supervising staff to ensure participants feel welcomed, seen, and known. Greet participants as they enter. Direct participants to dinner, large and small groups, bathrooms, etc... Talk with people and get to know them (especially people who look like they might be alone/do not know anybody else).

Commitment: preferably all seven nights



Evening Host

An emcee of sorts. Work with supervising staff to provide a smooth flow for the evening. Officially welcome participants. Lead an opening prayer. Introduce the topic of the night. Transition from the video into small groups. Thank everybody for coming and lead a prayer at the end of the evening.

Commitment: one night (or more if interested)



Intercessor

Pray for the success of The Search. Pray in particular that participants would encounter, become, and share the peace of Christ in a profound and life changing way. Pray for each uniquely made soul who is searching and who takes the risk to attend The Search, that they would find and strengthen our community of faith.

Commitment: on-going

LEARN MORE & ASK QUESTIONS

Get more information about The Search

Find the videos and register for The Search at Pax Christi on our website:

www.paxchristichurch.org/the-search

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