



Rooted in Others - It turns out, there's more to roots than just individual plant life! Aspen groves are an inspiring reminder of our interconnectedness to one another and to all of creation. Arm in arm, we'll dig in!

WELCOME

Life, for adults and kids alike, is most fulfilling when it is woven deeply with the strands of your full self, others, and that third strand that is bigger, beyond, around and within us all that you may or may not know as God.

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WHAT TO EXPECT

We're glad you're here!

Music with Chris Tripolino and the Fabric Band Welcome & Say Hi (Kids can head out!) Message, *Rooted in Others* with Ian McConnell Connecting with and supporting Fabric Song & Closing



What's Happening for Kids Today? Kids are invited to explore what being Rooted can be like through creating, acting, and wondering together. Kids - join your families in the Commons for some music and centering and then listen for an invitation to join your friends in the gym or media center to explore Rooted in ways just for kids! More at fabricmpls.com/kids-current

COMING UP AND MORE



Next Sunday | *Rooted in "That Third Strand"*- We're delving even deeper into our rootedness! As we round out this "three-stranded conversation that matters," we'll consider how we might identify the divine within, surrounding, and working through all things. More on Rooted: fabricmpls.com/rooted.



EASTER! Buried - There's more to living than not being dead! The Easter story gives us a beautiful (if not kind of scary) look into both death and life. What needs to stay dead in order for us to experience new life? What continues to haunt, even when scary things are stripped of their power over us? *Come find out... if you dare!* There's a pancake breakfast to boot! More at fabricmpls.com/easter.



9:00-10:15am—yummmmm Pancakes! Join us on Easter morning for pancakes, sausage, fruit, juice and coffee and help our kids go to Camp Courage and on the High School trip to the BWCA this summer. RSVP today! A goodwill donation of \$5/kid and \$10/adult (family max of \$30) is suggested. Bring a friend!



February 29 marked the midpoint of our 2023/2024 fiscal year. There's an update of our financial highlights and challenges and how you can engage as an insert and at fabricmpls.com/financial-update.



The story of this land matters. We gather on land that was honored by the Dakota people for centuries, but from which they were forcibly and dishonorably removed and continue to be erased.



Biologically, roots take in water & nutrients, anchor plants, and help them survive periods of draught. When we think of <u>ourselves</u> being rooted, we're talking about **identity**, **sustainability** and being **grounded**.

Rooted in Others:

"Others" is a broad category including OTHER PEOPLE, but also ALL OF CREATION

We're not actually <u>APART FROM</u> others, but we are <u>A PART OF</u> all others!

To be rooted in others is MESSY, but MESSY IS NOT A DEFECT!

"Mycelium networks exist and you think *rugged individualism* is the path to success?"
-the internet

One of the most profound reasons people gather together as church communities like this one is to peek at and practice a better way of being in the world together so that when division erupts, we can draw on our practice and guide one another toward peaceful, anchored sustainability.

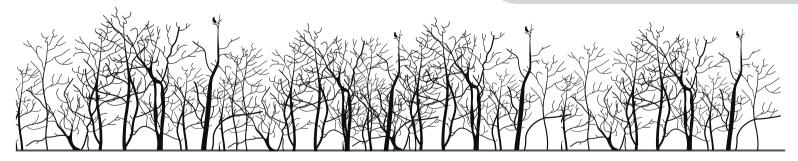
"May you be rooted and grounded in love."

(adapted from Ephesians 3:17)

living authentically as we are— **no more or less**— and letting others do the same may be

one of the simplest expressions of love and

sustainability we can offer one another.





ROAM (Read, Observe, Apply, Meditate) — Spend some time this week with the letter to the Ephesians (particularly verses 3:14-19). How does connection to others help us to "know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge"? What bit of treasure pops out to you from these verses this week?



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