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# *Contemporary Spirituality*

Speaker Series with

**Rev. Dr. Mike Graves**

Saturday, May 5, 2018  
9:00 AM-12:00 PM

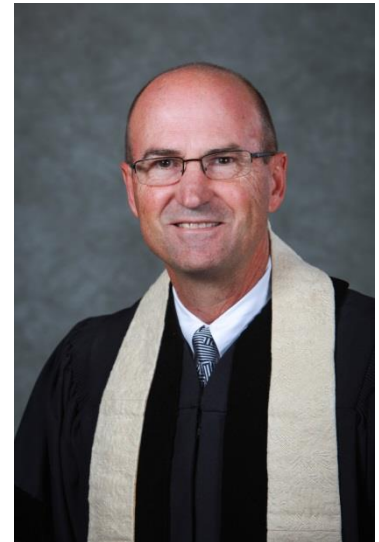
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## *Rethinking Communion and Community*

*What if I told you that when the earliest followers of Jesus gathered, it was primarily to eat, not worship? And what if I told you that when those earliest house churches started to grow, they made more room by converting the dining room into meeting space and the loss was more catastrophic than we ever could have imagined, moving churches from the kitchen to the sanctuary?*

*In some ways, we are not just 2,000 years removed from the first century but in many ways light years removed. Long before Catholics and Protestants developed doctrinal views on the Jesus meal, there were four traits that characterized their gatherings: intimacy, inclusion, joy, and participation.*



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(Registration: \$15)

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