

Hello and malo e lelei, church!

What a blessing it was to share the table as a church family at our *5th Sunday Shared Table* taco bar last Sunday afternoon! It was a great time of starting new relationships, deepening existing ones, and just catching up after a long summer. Thank you to all who helped make it happen by cooking or cleaning, shopping or eating, and just showing up ready to connect.

As you reflect back on your meal, I wonder who did you get to connect with? What did you learn about someone at your table that you didn't already know? What were you willing to share that surprised you? Did you experience a connection to God through your time in community?

These questions push us to see what happens so often when we share a table, we know and are known. In that time of knowing, space is created for God to work in and through us. As we shared on Sunday and we see in Acts 2, the early Apostles shared food with gladness and simplicity as a part of their life of faith, and daily God added to their community. Part of following Jesus is being willing to share our table-- to risk being known and curious to know our neighbor.

When have you shared your table this week? If you haven't, what would it look like to do so once this week?

Grace and Peace,

*Daniel*