

# These Certificates Are Pointless

When we set out to design some keepsake certificates adorned and inspired by the art and teaching of Pastor Daniel Erlander, we realized that the conventional idea behind things like diplomas and awards—earning a fancy piece of paper to show off one’s achievements or smarts or skills—doesn’t fit so well with the vision of Christian life and community Dan shared so freely and generously.

“You don’t need points,” he would sometimes say. “It’s okay to be pointless.” With the deep grace of that declaration in mind, we made these certificates to help you and your congregation try another way to recognize and celebrate people.

It is our hope that the whimsical creativity of Pastor Daniel Erlander will inspire your congregation to recognize and honor all the people who promote and encourage various aspects of Christian ministry.

You don’t  
need points.



## An “official” seal

This seal uses the back-cover image from *A Place for You*. It incorporates the no-longer-crabby people and Sarah dancing and smiling together. The rulebook / scorecard is thrown away, and they share the good news: All is gift. All is grace.

Erlander Communion Certificates

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Whenever you share this bread and cup, I will be with you, feeding you, loving you, forgiving you.



Today we welcomed you to Christ's table at

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Congregation

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Location



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Official Signature

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We know Jesus loves us because he is eating with us.

I'm glad!

← A PLACE FOR YOU

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MANNA FOR ALL.

ABUNDANT  
MERCY FOR ALL.



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# Welcome to the table!



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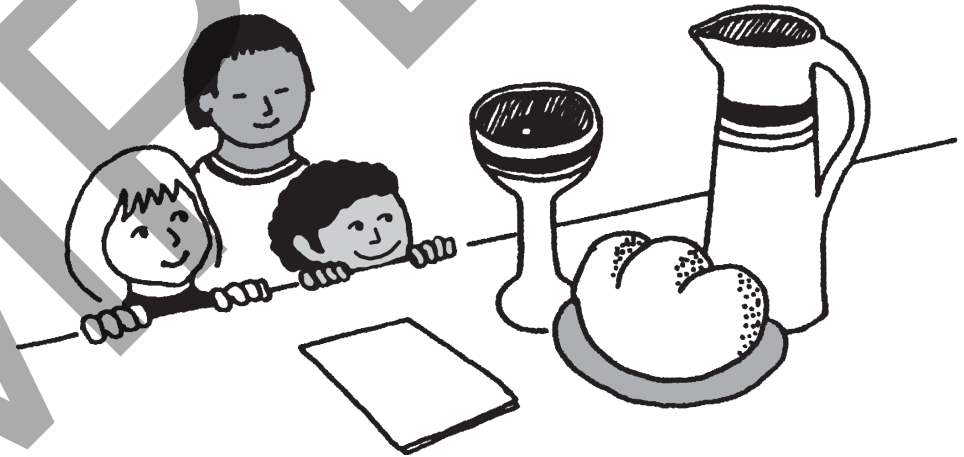
You have learned about  
the Sacrament of Holy  
Communion and now join  
us at Christ's table!



# Welcome to Jesus' table!

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You have spent time and energy learning about the Sacrament of Holy Communion and how we share this gift in our community. We are proud of this great milestone in your journey of faith.



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# There is a place for you at Jesus' table!

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# Come with us to Christ's table!

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