

Table of 8 FAQ's

"...They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved." (Acts 2:46,47 NIV)

Q: What is Table of 8?

A: Table of 8 is a great opportunity to connect with others at LWC by sharing a meal together. How many times have you wondered: "Who are those people who sit way over there in the sanctuary?" This will be a time to get to know those people through fellowship and community within the body at LWC. Those who serve as hosts/hostesses will plan the potluck meals and contact those assigned to their group.

Q: Who is Table of 8 for?

A: Table of 8 is for EVERYONE! These dinners will be an exciting way to get to know other LWC people—young, old, married, single, divorced, etc. It's also an opportunity to invite unchurched friends and neighbors who would like to experience Christian community. The emphasis is on fellowship, so you absolutely don't have to be a gourmet cook!

Q: How does Table of 8 work?

A: Simply fill out a sign-up form at church or online on our Table of 8 event page. You can sign up as singles or couples or as a family. You will be able to designate if you are interested in being a host/hostess, if you prefer a "child-friendly" home, if you prefer Friday or Saturday, and if you have any dietary restrictions, allergies, or mobility issues. Once all have signed up by the deadline, the coordinator will put 8 people together in a group, including the host/hostess. (This number doesn't include children in the kid-friendly groups.) Each host/hostess will then contact all the members of their group for the month, providing home address, time, and menu suggestions.

Q: Will there be separate groups for singles and couples?

A: No. Our intent is to mix everyone together. This will make it fun and exciting!

Q: Being a host/hostess sounds like a lot of work. What would I have to do?

A: The host/hostess is really quite easy. You are responsible to provide the location, time of day for the meal, and food sign-ups for your upcoming dinner. This contact should be made about one week before the dinner. The host/hostess will also provide the main dish. Alternatively if you do not want to host in your home, you could suggest that your group meet at a restaurant, or at a park for a picnic! You would still be responsible for coordinating with your group as the designated host.

Q: Who cooks all these meals?

A: Everyone! All the meals will be considered potluck. There could even be a theme night, such as Mexican, Italian, or a soup night. We will try to accommodate dietary restrictions, if needed. While the host will provide the main dish, other group members will provide a side, appetizer, or dessert.

Q: This sounds like a fun way to get to know others, but I have a bunch of kids. How can I be involved?

A: We will have some homes that are designated as "kid-friendly." In other words, bring them! Just make sure to note on your sign-up form that you want to attend as a family, so the host/hostess will be prepared and will know that children are coming. Some parents may prefer to get a baby-sitter for the night, and that is fine, too.

Q: Are we just going to eat?

A: The answer to this will be up to the host/hostess. It would be fine to play games or just sit around and hang out together. Remember, this is about getting to know people and having fun!

Q. Who do I contact if I have any other questions?

A: Molly Allen is the coordinator. You may call or text her at 423-405-0977 (Google Voice). You may also call the church office at 423-339-3028.