

# Loving the Body

1 Cor. 12.12-27

*Focus: on loving one another as members of Christ's body, protecting unity and cherishing diversity.*

## RESOURCES:

Here is the link to the piano video that was shown in the service

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xLhJIFC8xkY>

## 2016 Annual Priority:

*To establish a greater devotion to believing and being shaped by the three great loves embedded in our mission statement's goal of becoming a mature and ministering worshiper of God; love for God, love for the church, and love of neighbor.*

## Discussion:

- Read 1 Cor. 12.12-27. Then watch the "Be Together: Not the Same" piano video.
- What are the key principles from 1 Cor. 12 that show us what it means to "be together" as the body of Christ? Make a list and discuss how they should look in our lives as you go.
- Repeat that exercise with the "Not the Same" principle.
- What inhibits people from fully engaging the church as a vital member of the body?
- What in this passage most helps you stay vitally connected to the church?
- Eph. 5.23, 24 and Col. 2.18, 19 emphasize Christ as head of the body. What is the significance of that imagery from these passages?
- What would be a takeaway for you personally as you think about being a member of the body of Christ?

