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- No, today I am not ready to encourage others in the journey of faith.
- Yes, I will joyfully welcome the stranger, even if it requires that I give up my seat in worship, park farther from the entrance, move to a different worship service or otherwise inconveniences me.
- Yes, I will actively welcome those who appear to be different from myself and those who may not follow the same "rules" that I do. I will seek ways to accommodate and include newcomers.
- Yes, I will intentionally seek genuine friendships with those who may not know Christ or have a church home. I will look for opportunities to invite them to St. Andrew's.
- Yes, I will learn to be an active listener so that I might encourage others to share their faith journey and questions. I will be willing to humbly share my own faith journey if it might provide encouragement, comfort or inspiration.
- Yes, radical hospitality will become a priority in my life. I will endeavor to live so that others can see Christ's welcoming love in me. I will watch for the stranger and invite them to worship and other ministry activities. I will be praying for specific people and their faith journeys.
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- Being a disciple of Jesus Christ means that we are those who tell \_\_\_\_\_
- To be Jesus' disciple is to tell the story of how \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus
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