

# STRENGTHEN AND GROW YOUR MINISTRY

## LCEF MINISTRY MOMENTS VIDEO SERIES

### Your Ministries #3 – Fellowship Rev. Eric Kennaugh LCEF Vice President Ministry Solutions

Many churches suffered from the loss of fellowship brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic. While people got creative with ways to bolster community from home, people are sorely missing being together in-person for fellowship time.

#### **How to intentionally create community in your congregation?**

##### **1. Hospitality team**

- Put together a small group of people with the gift of hospitality.
- Gather the people who love to plan gatherings and build a sense of community in your congregation.
- Ask this team to help re-establish community in your church.

##### **2. Evaluate previous events**

- Ask your hospitality team to evaluate previous fellowship events.
- Determine if events held in the past are still meaningful and meet the current needs of the congregation.
- If they are still meaningful, discuss the best way to get them restarted.
- If they are not the best fit for your congregation, brainstorm new ideas for events to take their place.

##### **3. Get creative**

- Allow the hospitality team to get creative and fill the needs that exist.
- Ask them to dream up new ways to get people together.