

Open Table Advent Dinner Groups - Host Information

Open Table hosts play a critical role in helping people connect with others and provide opportunities for community to begin at Resurrection - and it's fun! Dinner hosts help create welcoming spaces where people can connect with others for fellowship and fun.

As a host, you'll represent Church of the Resurrection both out in the community, and to those guests who might sign up to attend a dinner group without knowing much about the church.

Our hope is that you:

- Attend church regularly and currently serve or have served in the last year.
- Are committed to offering radical hospitality to your dinner group.
- Communicate with the staff: time, date, location, and type of group.
- Are committed to a light touch follow up with guests

Interested in hosting a group?

Sign up [here](#) and someone on our staff will be in touch soon!

Already signed up to be a host? See our tips, below!

- Make a reservation with the restaurant for some time between December 6 and 22. We suggest either 6 pm or 6:30 pm. Call a week ahead of time and the day of to check on your reservation.
- Arrive early so that you are there when the firsts guests arrive.
- Start and end on time. This honors everyone's time and commitment.
- Use names whenever possible. Nametags will be provided.
- Make introductions as new guests arrive so that when you are greeting someone else, your guests can mingle with each other.
- Choose a seat in the middle of the table to navigate conversations on both sides.
- Offer a prayer at the beginning of your meal. We'll provide examples, or, say your own.
- A table discussion guide will be provided for you.
- Choose a restaurant that is reasonably priced to help make your dinner accessible to everyone.
- When choosing a restaurant, consider the general noise level.
- Each guest will pay for their own meal.
- Remember that radical hospitality also includes treating the server well. Please thank your server and manager for working with us. Leaving a nice tip for your server would be a great bonus!

Thank you for your help in making this a fun way to connect this holiday season.