Sermon 12/5/21

"Five People and Jesus... Nicodemus" Bible Readings:

John 3: 1-21

- Re-Read the Scripture for this week.
- Tell of a time when you have experienced the "confirmation bias" Like Linus and the Great Pumpkin.
 - o Has anything happened to change your mind?
- What will you not believe?
 - O What will you stand firm in?
- What is it like at a reunion for you?
 - o Are there people there that no matter how successful you are will not accept you?
 - o How do you think Jesus felt that happened in his hometown of Nazareth?
- Which is stronger: your bias or the power of Jesus Christ?
 - o Are you the one person in history that is able to overpower Christ?
- Nicodemus starts with his preconceived notions. But Jesus interrupted his bias by saying that "no one can enter the kingdom without being born from above."
 - o This scared Nicodemus... How about you? Do these words make you uneasy?
 - o Does this Jesus challenge you?
 - Does he make you uneasy?
 - Can you admit that Jesus can rattle your cage and make you re-think your faith and knowledge?
 - o Will you allow Jesus to change you?
- What is your Christianity like?
 - Does it fit into your life neatly?
 - o Does it blow you have away?
 - o Is it absurd? Is it obnoxious?
 - o Should it be?
 - Why?
 - Why not?