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Dear Friends in Christ,

The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me." Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote--Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

"Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked.

"Come and see," said Philip.

John 1: 43-46

Come and See! Is there anyone in your life; a close friend, a relative, a neighbor, someone that you'd love to have *Come and See* Jesus? The passage above models how most people come into a meaningful relationship with Jesus. Someone cared enough and was excited enough about their experience of Jesus that they invited that person to *Come and See*.

In that spirit we ask that you join with us on **September 8th** at our 9:30 a.m. worship service as we launch a special *Celebration of Friendship Sunday*; to reach out to those people in our lives we'd love to invite to *Come and See* the love of Jesus as experienced in our church.

Our plan is to have a Sunday especially focused on welcoming visitors to our church. This will be one of our best times ever for you to invite an un-churched friend or relative to *Come and See*. We will be making every effort to put our best foot forward, and doing everything possible to make your guest feel welcomed and have a positive first experience with our church family on that day. We will also be hosting a picnic after our worship service to help our guests get to know our faith community better. We believe that through the love of our church community, our guests will feel the love of God.

Begin now to prayerfully consider who you will invite to our *Celebration of Friendship Sunday*. Remember your invitation to *Come and See* could potentially transform that person's life now and for all eternity.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Bill Hinrichs
And Church Growth Team