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BEYOND THE SHIRT AND TIE: VALUES, BELIEFS, & PRACTICES AMONG MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS IN BLOOMINGTON

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Using photographic and collaborative ethnographic methods, this poster presentation sheds light on the LDS (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints) community in Bloomington, IL. I attended and participated in services, as well as interviewed members of the community for pertinent information about organization and membership. The photographs in the poster were taken during the three-hour Sunday services held in the meetinghouse during the month of February, 2012. A collaborative effort allowed for the accurate representation of aspects of the community's beliefs and practices. Due to the sacredness of some of the services, members of the community and I designed alternative strategies to represent important rituals that could not be documented in real time.