Weekly Bible Studies

35 Good Minutes

Join Rev. David Johnson in Chapel after the 9:30am worship service for a 35 minute introduction to the sacred stories of our faith, how it shapes the church, and influences our lives. This is not a class for experts or even seasoned Bible Study attenders. If you heard somewhere that Moses led the people through the Red Sea but aren't sure where they were going? This class is for you. If you've heard that Jonah was swallowed by a whale, and that Daniel spent the night in a lion's den, and that David killed Goliath, but don't really know how these stories fit together. This class is for you. If you've ever wondered why we baptize babies or why Jesus was crucified. Bring your curiosity and your questions to Grace Chapel for **35 Good Minutes**

Men's Bible Study

Join Rev. Dr. Robert Baggott as he discusses each week's lectionary scripture reading. These readings will be the focus of the next Sunday's sermons. The only preparation needed is to rise early and prepare to enjoy coffee and donuts! Men's Fellowship Bible Study-Tuesdays 7:00 am in Community Hall East And 11:00 am in The Choir Room starting in January

Women's Bible Study

All women of the church and any interested friends, are invited to attend. These studies are an opportunity to learn about sacred texts of our faith, and to let them speak to us in ways that challenge, affirm, comfort, and support. Participants enjoy learning with and from one another. As so often happens when we engage writings of such significance, we find ourselves growing together in faith and purpose as we share in study! No prior Bible study experience is necessary to join these two Women's Bible study groups. Your presence will be a valued addition.

> Women's Search Bible Study Tuesday 11:00am Women's Evening Bible Study Tuesday 5:00pm Led by Rev. Dr. Casey Baggott, Community Hall East

Co Ed Bible Study

Both men and women are invited to gather with **Neal Watkins,** Ministry Associate for Youth and Families, in the Garden Room on Wednesday evenings from 6-7pm to engage the scriptures and explore their relevance for our lives today. This study is both informal and interactive as we learn together.

Community @ Community

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Program Offerings



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Community @ Community Program Schedule Wednesday Jan 3 - April 25

5:15PM-7:30PM

The New Schedule for Community @ Community

5:15pm Dinner-Catered by TooJays at \$10 per person. Reservation required.6pm Vespers- An intergenerational gathering of all the groups meeting .6:15pm- Programs begin.

7pm Talk About It- An opportunity to discuss the material we have learned. **7:30PM- Closing.**

Jan 3 Reading Scripture with Hearts and Mind

This session introduces the second course in our School of Christian Living. Elaine Matthes shows us that reading our scared scriptures with our hearts and minds will deepen our faith and understanding of God.

Jan 10 Children in Indian River County

Children have always been a vulnerable population. This session will present the challenges faced by children in our area from the perspective of three different agencies.

Jan 17 Dr. Diana Mrotek: Navigating Your Capstone Years

Research shows that a positive attitude of aging is essential to physical, emotional and spiritual health as we age, and effects longevity, as well. If we are not so keen on getting older, how can we develop a more positive attitude about aging, and could the last 1/3 of your life, in fact, be the one in which you use your God-given gifts to do your dream and become the person you have always wanted to be?

Jan 24 When bad things happen...

All through history, people have tried to make sense of tragedy in our world, and in our own lives. In this session, Dr. Casey Baggott walks us through some of the theological and spiritual responses to these difficult events.

Jan 31 No C@C Annual Meeting

Dinner will be available by reservation and served at 5:15pm prior to the meeting.

Feb 7 Cultivating Intimacy with God

This session introduces the third course in our School of Christian Living in which we explore various ways that we are able to communicate directly with God.

Feb 14 No C@C Ash Wednesday

Feb 21 Paul's message to America

Noted author and pastor, John Dominic Crossan, will speak at 4pm and 6pm about the Apostle Paul, and what he might have to say to America today.

(Dinner served between the two sessions.)

Feb 28 See How They Love One Another

Christian community is at the heart of our faith and forms the foundation for church life. We were not meant to walk the journey of faith alone. This session outlines some of the rewards and challenges of our life together.

Mar 7 Dietrich Bonhoeffer Part I

Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *Life Together*, is an inspiring account of a unique fellowship in an underground seminary during the Nazi years in Germany. It offers practical advice on how life lived together In Christ can be sustained in families and groups. These two sessions will be led by Rev. Robert Inhoff and Rev. Donald Stoner, as they explore Bonhoeffer's vision for the community for our time.

Mar 14 Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Life Together Part II

Mar 21 Ella Dodd Lecture Series: Al Staggs

Al Staggs is an actor and pastor who will speak to us in the voice of Clarence Jordan at 4pm and Dietrich Bonhoeffer at 6pm. These two 20th century figures have shaped the understanding of our faith in subtle and undeniable ways.

Mar 28 NO C@C: Holy Week

April 4 Compassionate Service

We may come to Christ as individuals, but we join together as a family of faith with responsibilities and obligations to care for all God's children throughout the world. This session introduces the last of the classes in our School of Christian Living.

April 11 Sea Turtles of Indian River County

Heather Stapleton will talk with us about the birth and life of sea turtles in our area.

April 18 The Source

Hear the stories of homelessness from the people who are living it. Clients of the Source bring pictures and journal entries to help us understand their experience.

April 25 Mission update: South Africa

Recently returned from Inanda Seminary, in Durban, South Africa, Susan Valiquette talks about the mission and vision of the church and seminary in South Africa.