

Aldersgate Faith Journeys

Children's Sunday School Classes

All Sunday school classes start at 10:00 A.M. on September 16th, 2018

NURSERY (Room 116)

Led by Marina Chowdhury &

Atiya Siddiqui

This is an opportunity to have your child cared for while you spend an hour in an adult Bible study, getting into God's word, good discussion, some fun, and fellowship, meeting folks that you may not even know.

3 & 4 YEAR OLDS (Room 112)

Led by Sara Shock &

Adult Assistant

This will be a fun time for your three and four year old children. They discover the love of Jesus through the Bible stories, games, and activities, together with all their friends! We celebrate with singing and dancing the end of each class.

KINDERGARTEN & 1ST GRADE (Room 111)

Led by Kate Carlson & Kim

Hockenbrook

During class we are introduced to the characters of the Bible, David, Sampson, Paul, and above all Christ! The children are given a basic understanding who these characters are and their importance in our faith today. Plus there's always time for some games, puzzles, and on occasion some crafts!

2ND & 3RD GRADE (Room 137)

Led by Cheryl Beeson & Christy

Pennington

The third graders are presented with Bibles in September and we encourage the children to bring their Bibles to Sunday School. We start learning the books of the Bible, four books each week. They do a regular lesson in the Bible and then they act out the story in the lesson. Some weeks we do a craft or take part in a game. At Christmas we have an Advent Wreath and during Lent, (Easter), we have Resurrection Eggs, with discussion the significance of each.

4TH & 5TH GRADE (Room 132)

Led by Cary Cross, Cathy Goodman & Kristin

Lefebvre

This class typically starts out with the group reading a Bible story with each child taking a turn reading a verse so everyone is engaged. Then we discuss what we think it means, what it meant to the people of the time when it actually happened, and how the lesson can be applied to our own lives today. We have very lively discussions. The teachers give the children lots of room to share their ideas and opinions. After all the learning we have puzzles, crosswords, word finds, etc., games and competitions.

Youth and Adult Sunday School Classes

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Led by Henry Daum,

Sharon Owens,

&

(Meet In Student Ministry Center)

Ray Pendley & Renee

Shenk

SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Led by Janet & Peter Atwater &

Judy Morton

The Middle School, Junior High, (6th -8th Grades), and the Senior High, (9th – 12th Grades), meet each week and explore a passage of scripture through interactive games, activities, and discussion. Come join us as we grow our faith and develop friendships while having a lot of fun !

ALPHA to OMEGA (Fellowship Hall)

Led

by Jack Smith

We will be doing interactive Bible study that involves in-depth study of Biblical themes and /or specific books of the Bible. We engage in lively conversation, share ideas and opinions, and address questions that come up during discussion. Our class will look at various Old and New Testament stories that look at different aspects of a subject.

CHRISTIAN FRIENDSHIP (Room 136)

Led by

Susan Mammele

This is an opportunity for those with intellectual and / or physical disabilities to come together and share in the great love that God has for everyone !

GENERATION GO (Room 236)

Led by Brian &

Cheryl Merritt

As the name implies, Generation Go caters largely to parents “on the go,” however all are welcome to attend class. Brian and I typically choose 4 – 6 week long DVD based studies with a 10 – 20 minute video message which is followed by class discussion of the topic presented. Studies do not require any advanced prep prior to class so drop in visitors are always welcome !

SEASONS OF THE SPIRIT (Room 237)

Led

by Ellie Kelly

Each week we study the scripture on which the weekly sermon is based. If you attend the worship service at 9:00 A.M., our class will serve as an extension of studying the scripture. If you attend our class before the 11:00 A.M. worship service, then our class will serve as a preparation for worship. Hope you will come and join us !

Wednesday Evening Youth Group

7 P.M. – 8 P.M.

IMPACT (Fellowship Hall & Student Ministry Center) Led by Adam

West

Our youth group will be meeting on Wednesday nights, starting on September 19th, 2018. This is for youth in 6th through 12th grades. There will be time for fellowship, creative games, and a lesson each evening. It's very relaxed and is a great way to get to meet others in a less formal setting.

Day Time Bible Studies

CRAZY LADIES OF ALDERSGATE (Room 237)

Led by Mary

Jane Prince

Tuesdays 10:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. Fourth Tuesday 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.

Starting September 11th, 2018

Yes, that's really what we call ourselves ! The name was “ born” from our first book study by Francis Chan, “ Crazy Love,” and it stuck. We're a fun group of women enjoying reading, studying and chatting. We're kicking off this year with Rachel Held Evans' new book “ Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again.” As we get close to the end of a study, we

all search for books that may be of interest to the group and we decide, as a group, what our next book will be. Majority rules ! We would be happy to have you join us! If you are interested, contact the facilitator, Mary Jane Prince at 302-367-6955 or mjprince726@gmail.com.

JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE (Room 137)

Led by Rev. Karen

Covey Moore

Tuesdays 10:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. Starting September 4th, 2018

In this five week Bible study we will be exploring Isaiah's vision of faithfulness and hope in God's plan and purpose for the created order and the extent to which we can claim that vision as our own. The study manual we will be using also contains materials for the books of Jeremiah and Lamentations. We will reserve those for future classes. The manuals are \$ 13.00 each. Please contact Karen by August 26th if you are interested so she can order enough manuals.

DISCIPLE II (Room 237)

Wednesdays 10:00 A.M. to Noon

Led by

Hal Barker

Starting September 12th, 2018

In this study you are entering into familiar territory. This is an opportunity for a closer look at the contents of four books of the Bible, Genesis, Exodus, Luke, and Acts. As you journey through these books your understanding of Scripture will deepen as you begin to make connections between what you are reading and what you already know. If you have taken Disciple I it would be helpful but it is not a requirement to join us in this class ! It is a 33 week commitment and we ask that you try not to miss more than 4 weeks during the study. The only cost is for the manual which is \$ 40.00 each. If you would like to join us please contact Hal at either 302-584-4510 or at macbhal@aol.com by August 26th so manuals can be ordered.

GREAT CHARACTERS OF THE BIBLE (Room 237)

Led by Pastor Chris

Pennington

Thursdays 11:00 A.M. to Noon

Starting September 13th,

2018

Over the period of this ten week study you will look at the lives of some of the interesting figures in the Bible. You will see that God is the same today as He was in Biblical times. He still works through people, and that by studying them, we can see how the Holy Spirit equips and empowers us for service. Feel free to come when you can !

It is not necessary to be in class every week to enjoy this study ! Please contact Pastor Chris if you are interested.

Wednesday Evening Study

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays 7:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M.

Led by

Dave DiGiacoma

We are a men's group Bible study that meets throughout the year. Our groups meets in the homes of the various participants on a rotating basis. Participants however are not required to host. We study various books of the Bible, not in any particular order. No experience with Bible study is needed. Come out and join us for some good discussion, fun and fellowship. All are welcome ! To begin your journey with these fellow travelers and searchers of knowledge, contact Dave DiGiacoma at 302-530-9568 or digiacoma@msn.com. Looking forward to seeing you !

Advent Bible Study

Thursdays 7:00 A.M. or 11:00 A.M. or 7:00 P.M

Led by Pastor Chris Pennington Starting November 29th, 2018 (Room 237)

What's on your Christmas list this year ? How about the greatest gift of all ? God's gift to us of a

Savior ! Sometimes we concentrate some much on the gifts we want to give and to receive that we forget about the special gift of Christmas.

This five week hour long Advent study helps us think about what we really want for Christmas by reminding us of the amazing, life changing gifts Christmas has in store for us. This study includes questions for reflection and discussion, a brief prayer, a focus for the week, and six daily Bible readings for personal devotional time during the week. This is a great opportunity for study, discussion, and fellowship. Please let Pastor Chris know if you are interested by November 18th, 2018 so he can order the books.

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SIGN UP

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Dear friends and members of Aldersgate, the members of the Aldersgate “ Grow Team ” are encouraging you, our

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, to sign up for one of the Bible studies and / or study groups coming up this Fall. Please be sure to register your children and youth for Sunday School classes as well. Our only request is that you register for these various studies or groups by the end of Aldersgate’s “ RALLY DAY” service on Sunday, September

9th, 2018. If you wish to register for Children’s Sunday School classes before Rally Day, please contact Sharon Jennelly through the church office at 302-478-2575.

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