

Thursdays with Jesus (TWJ) group is now reading and discussing

The Soul of America: The Battle for our Better Angels by Jon Meacham. Our current climate of partisan fury is not new, and in *The Soul of America* Meacham shows us how what Abraham Lincoln called the “better angels of our nature” have repeatedly won the day.

Painting surprising portraits of Lincoln and other presidents, Meacham brings vividly to life turning points in American

history. He writes about the Civil War, Reconstruction, and the birth of the Lost Cause; the backlash against immigrants in the First World War and the resurgence of the Ku Klux Klan in the 1920s; the fight for women’s rights; the demagoguery of Huey Long and Father Coughlin and the isolationist work of America First in the years before World War II; the anti-Communist witch-hunts led by Senator Joseph McCarthy; and Lyndon Johnson’s crusade against Jim Crow.

In this inspiring book, Meacham reassures us, “The good news is that we have come through such darkness before”—as, time and again, Lincoln’s better angels have found a way to prevail.

Join us Thursdays from 10:30 am to noon for fellowship, food and lively conversation!

