Group Life

Winter 2019

New Community Church
Welcome

The mission of NCC is “to make disciples, who live and love like Jesus, who know Him, who grow up in Him, and who go out for Him.”

Our model is to follow the method of Jesus who moved people beyond the crowd and into groups. The small group setting provides a more intimate environment where people can process truth with others on a similar journey and do life together. The small group also provides a more intentional environment where you can pursue a more personalized path of discipleship that fits your needs and interests. As we like to say, “discipleship is catalyzed in the Sunday service but is maximized in a small group.”

As we launch our winter semester, we invite you to take a step beyond the Sunday crowd, and join a small group. This Group Life Catalog offers a range of new and open groups for any life stage. Take a few minutes to explore this semester’s offerings, and join us as we seek to grow into disciples who increasingly live and love like Jesus.

Hollis Haff
Pastor of Discipleship
Discipleship Pathway Group
Pastor of Discipleship Hollis Haff

Sundays, March 3, 10, 17, & 24;
9-10:15 a.m.
at NCC’s 1st-Floor Meeting Room

Study: The Journey Outward

This short-term group experience incorporates three steps from the NCC Discipleship Pathway:

• Sharing My Faith (personal evangelism)
• Restoring Our Culture (cultural renewal)
• Reaching Our World (global mission)

Learn how God can use you to make a difference in His world, one step at a time!
**Middle School Boys’ Bible Study**
(6th-8th Grade)

**Joel Friend**

Beginning February 6
Meets every Wednesday, from 4:15-5:45 p.m.,
in rotating homes

**Study: 412 Bible Study**

Students will learn to live what they are learning from Scripture. This study encompasses an in-depth look at Scripture with weekly challenges and accountability for not just hearing the Word, but also doing what it says.

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**Middle School Girls’ Bible Study**
(6th-8th Grade)

**Michelle Rice**

Beginning January 13
Meets every Sunday, from 6:30-8 p.m.,
at NCC

**Study: Closer: How to Be a Student Who Makes Disciples**
by Bobby Gallaty

Students will learn a practical, easy-to-implement system to help them grow in their faith, by addressing the what, why, where, and how of discipleship. This study will teach girls how to grow in their relationship with God, how to defend their faith, and how to guide others in their relationship with God.

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**AWANA**

Beginning January 9
Meets every Wednesday, from 6:15-8 p.m.,
at NCC Building

AWANA provides a special place for children to:
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- make new friends
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**Kids**

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**High School Boys’ Bible Study**  
*(9th-12th Grade)*

**Joel Friend**

Beginning January 8  
Meets every Tuesday, from 7-8:30 p.m.,  
at rotating Chick-fil-A restaurants  

**Study: How to Share Christ with Others**

Many students know what they believe about Jesus but sometimes have a hard time articulating those beliefs to others. This study will look at the importance of evangelism as well as practical ways students can learn to share Jesus with their peers.

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**High School Girls Bible Study**  
*(9th-12th Grade)*

**Erin Blechman & Natalie Glover**

Beginning January 30  
Meets every Wednesday, from 4-6 p.m.,  
in Bradford Woods  

**Study: 412 Bible Study**

Students will experience an inductive Bible Study, the process of moving from interpretation to application of the Scriptures, as they dive deep into God’s Word to understand what God meant for His people then and what that means for us now.

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**The Edge**  
*(6th-8th Grade)*

Beginning January 17  
Meets every week, from 6-7:30 p.m., at NCC  

At the Edge, middle school students are taught what it means to live a life of faith that glorifies God. Students enjoy games, worship and biblical teaching in a large group, and then discuss the teaching in small groups. The evening ends with a shared cafe time with Revolution.

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**Revolution**  
*(9th-12th Grade)*

Beginning January 17  
Meets every week, from 7:15-9 p.m., at NCC  

At Revolution, high school students are challenged to put their faith into action in a fun and comfortable atmosphere. The evening starts with awesome cafe time, and then continues with worship, large group teaching, and small group discussion.
Young Adults, Couples, & Family

**Sunday at 6 p.m.**
**Nick & Rachel Dasek**
Beginning February 24  
Meets three consecutive weeks with 4th Sunday off in Gibsonia  
Childcare available for a shared fee

**Study: The Book of James**
What is the difference between genuine faith and counterfeit faith? How do we know for sure that our faith is real? How can we know joy even in trials, and patience in suffering? The book of James is full of practical, life-changing help that will have you exploring the challenges of living out the Christian life.

**Sunday at 6 p.m.**
**Joe & Jess Krahe**
Beginning January 27  
Meets every other week in Gibsonia  
Childcare available for a shared fee

**Study: Unstuck**
It’s easy for all of us to find ourselves caught up in a life of cluttered schedules, rhythms, and routines dictated by our culture. Or we’re stuck with respect to our jobs, relationships, and daily circumstances. Get out of the rut by applying key principles from Francis Chan, Lisa Harper, Mark Batterson and more. This study will help you move from the mundane to the meaningful in your walk with Christ.

**Saturday at 7 p.m.**
**Vicki Carlson**
Beginning January 12  
Meets twice a month in Ben Avon

**Study: A Praying Life by Paul Miller**
Prayer is all about relationship. When Jesus describes the intimacy He seeks with us, He talks about joining us for dinner. Discover how living a life of prayer is like having dinner with good friends. It is the way we experience and connect to God. Find a pattern for living in relationship with God that includes helpful habits and approaches to prayer that enable us to return to a childlike faith.
Women

Tuesday at 9 a.m.
Patti Grinnell & Mary Hoffmann
Beginning February 12
Meets every week at NCC
Childcare available for a small fee

Study: Seamless by Angie Smith
Women will gain an overarching understanding of the fundamental layout and meaning of the Bible. Using both DVD and live teaching, women will discover the Bible as One Complete Story. This study will cover the people, places, and promises of the Bible, tying them into the greater story of Scripture. The study guide is available at the Welcome Center for $14.

Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
Lori Sammartino
Beginning January 8
Meets the 2nd and 4th week of the month

Evening Tea & Chats
Enjoy a warm, welcoming women’s group where you can feel encouraged, and ask questions about life situations and faith as applied to the Word of God. This group will have a short devotional reading from Elisa Pulliam’s book, Brave Together, followed by a time of personal sharing and discussion, all while sipping on your favorite cup of tea.

Thursday at 6:30 p.m.
Tami Cavey & Mary Hoffmann
Beginning February 21
Meets every week at the Church Office in Wexford

Study: Armor of God by Priscilla Shirer
Every day an invisible war rages around us. The enemy seeks to wreak havoc on everything that matters. But…when the enemy meets a woman dressed for the occasion, he fails miserably. This Bible study by Priscilla Shirer, is an action plan for putting on the armor of God and developing a personalized strategy to secure victory. The study guide is available at the Welcome Center for $15.

Friday at 9:30-11 a.m.
Jenn Leapline & Mary Hoffmann
Beginning January 11
Meets the 2nd and 4th week of the month at NCC

Moms Supporting Moms
Are you a mom, looking to connect with other moms? This group is a relaxed time to enjoy community and friendship with moms of all ages. There will be a time of devotion, intentional conversation, and relevant teaching by different guest speakers. Childcare will be provided for the kids.
**Men**

**Saturday at 7 a.m.**
**Men's Fraternity**
Beginning January 19
Meets every week except 2nd Saturday at NCC

**Study: Put Your Dream to the Test by John Maxwell**
Explore ten powerful, straightforward questions that will move you from being a dreamer to someone who achieves their dreams. Whether you've lost sight of an old dream or you are searching for a new one, this study will give you a step-by-step action plan that you can start using today to see, own, and reach your dream.

**Tuesday at 7 p.m.**
**Steve Grieme & Ken Rogg**
Beginning February 12
Meets every other week in Mars/Cranberry

**Study: Basic Christianity by John Stott**
Men will gather for dinner and to examine the historical facts on which Christianity stands by answering the question “Who is Jesus Christ?” If He is not who He said He was, and if He did not do what He said He had come to do, the whole superstructure of Christianity crumbles in ruin. This study is for men of all ages who seek an intellectually satisfying explanation of the Christian faith.

**Sunday at 6 p.m.**
**Tom & Sue Gregan**
Beginning January 13
Meets every other week in Gibsonia

**Study: Colossians with Louis Giglio**
What we think about Jesus matters. Our perception of Him shapes us—what we say, how we treat others, even what we think. Join Louie Giglio as he takes us through the book of Colossians to help us form a complete picture of Jesus. Now alive in Christ, we can live a life that honors God instead of falling back into the ways of the world.

**Thursday at 7 p.m.**
**Tom & Ellen Kucharik**
Beginning January 17
Meets every other week, rotating homes in Wexford/Gibsonia

**Study: Discovering the Joy of Jesus**
Explore the book of Philippians to share the secret of joy—a life centered in Jesus Christ. Examine this book of the Bible in order to build a character filled with joy—a quality that transcends happiness based on circumstances.

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Friday at 6:45 p.m.  
Ben & Linda Gryskewicz

Beginning January 25  
Meets every other week in Evans City/Mars Area

Study: The God You May Not Know by David Jeremiah

One of the reasons we don’t love God as much as we should is because we don’t know Him as well as we ought. Trying to comprehend the person of God is like trying to capture all the galaxies of the universe in a child’s prism. Yet the Bible encourages us to try, for God seeks to be known. This study will personally introduce you to the God you may not know. Explore His knowledge, holiness, all-pervasive presence, unlimited power, love, and other qualities that make Him who He is. Knowing our eternal God changes our daily lives!

All Life Stages

Sunday at 6 p.m.  
Doug & Beth Montgomery  
David & Sandra Jackley

Beginning January 27  
Meets every other week in Wexford

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Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.  
Jim & Anita King

Beginning January 8  
Meets every other week in Shaler

Study: Book of James with Francis Chan

The book of James speaks to the realities of a living faith in Jesus—the kind of roll-up-your-sleeves and get-your-hands-dirty discipleship that is born out of an authentic relationship with the risen Lord. Join Francis Chan as he works through James verse-by-verse, challenging followers of Christ to move beyond a private, intellectual knowledge of God and His Word, to a vibrant faith that impacts every square inch of your life.
Thursday at 7 p.m.
Mark & Marilyn Hall

Beginning January 8
Meets every other week in the North Hills

Study: *A Praying Life* by Paul Miller

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Saturday at 6:30 p.m.
John & Emily Willard

Beginning January 12
Meets twice a month in Gibsonia

Study: *Lord Change My Attitude* by James McDonald

*God cares deeply about your attitude,* and chances are your attitude could use some adjustment! But you can replace complaining with thanksgiving, covetousness with contentment, criticism with love, and adjust your attitude to one that honors Him. This study, based on the Israelites’ journey out of Egypt, shows how your attitude can keep you in the wilderness or allow you to enjoy the blessings of your promised land.