

Future Offerings

Living the Questions

This course is an alternative to studies that attempt to give participants all the answers to their questions about Christianity and the Bible. In a format that includes 20 minutes of video segments of conversation by some of the leading progressive voices of Christianity, questions are raised and discussed within the group.

The Five Love Languages

Marriage counselor, Dr. Gary Chapman noticed a pattern: everyone he had ever counseled had a "love language," a primary way of expressing and interpreting love. He wrote a book based on his experiences entitled *The Five Love Languages* in which his premise is that everyone identifies primarily with one of five love languages: Words of Affirmation, Quality Time, Receiving Gifts, Acts of Service, and Physical Touch. Which is your love language?

Celebration of Discipline: The Path to Spiritual Growth

The spiritual disciplines are God's means of grace by which we are enabled to bring our bodies and place them before God as a "living sacrifice." God then steps into our small offering and produces in us graces and virtues we could hardly imagine, building a inner person that is characterized by peace and joy and freedom.



DEEPENING
DISCIPLESHIP

All Are Welcome!

We hope that you will join us for these courses that take us deeper in the faith and helps us to grow into the likeness of Christ. They have been chosen to be engaging and fun as well as informative. Some of these classes have texts that accompany them, resulting in a small fee to cover these materials. However, if that presents a hardship to anyone, these costs will be waived. We want all to have access to this learning.

We at Resurrection extend an invitation to our brothers and sisters at *Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church* to join us.

Watch your church newsletter for more information and dates for other courses. Contact Fr. Scott at FrScott@ResurrectionGilbert.org if you have questions.



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Christian Formation



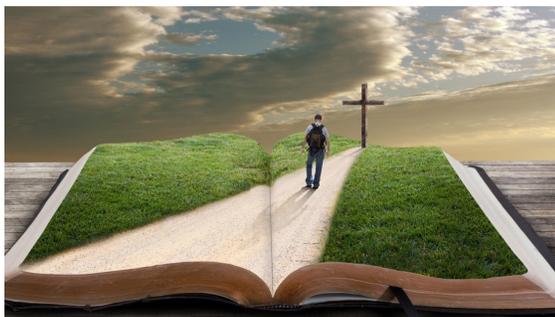
Course Offerings
2020

Grow Deeper

Christians are *followers* and *disciples* of the Master Teacher: our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. As such, we have a responsibility to learn and implement His teachings in our daily lives. To help you with that we are excited to offer a line-up of Christian formation courses for 2020 which will take you deeper into the faith and allow you to better understand the story of God and His relationship with His people. We hope that you will choose to participate in these offerings as part of your Baptismal Covenant promise to “continue in the apostle’s teaching” (BCP pg 304) and grow deeper in the faith..

It is our belief that these courses will help you build a foundation that will facilitate spiritual growth.

In addition to the foundational courses we will offer other courses this year and in subsequent years that will develop your Godly character and help you journey farther along the path to spiritual wholeness.



Foundational Courses

Living the Good News

On Sunday mornings, come discuss the very lectionary readings you'll hear in church *before* you hear them in church! This class will open your ears, preparing your heart and mind to receive the Word during worship with new perspective and understanding.

Begins February 2nd at 9:30 a.m.

Transforming Questions

This is a ten-session course is designed to help participants engage the basic question of the Christian faith through a combination of teaching and conversation. Scripture tells us that Christ becomes known to us in the breaking of bread. Participants gather in small groups to **share a meal** and hear a presentation about a central question of the Christian faith. All are invited into deeper reflection and engagement with such questions as: Who is Jesus? Does God answer prayer? Why do bad things happen?...and more.

Begins Thursday, February 20th, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The Path: A Journey Through the Bible

If you don't know much about the Bible, this course is for you! Here's an opportunity to walk through the entire canon of the Scriptures, Old and New Testaments, in an easy and accessible format. *The Path* uses excerpts from the Bible and weaves them together, presenting an overarching story of our faith in twenty-six sessions. With this foundation, you'll be ready to go deeper in your study of individual books of the Bible and coming to understand human's response to God throughout the ages and how we are to understand our purpose within that narrative.

Fall 2020

Other Classes

Discovering Your Gifts

In this five-session course, you will learn what spiritual gifts are, why God has gifted them to us, how they are to be used, and how they can be misused. You'll also discover your particular spiritual gifts, including those God is still working in you to develop. This course is intended to help you and other believers use your gifts to the glory of God.

Spring 2020

A Journey with Matthew

Take a 50-day journey through the gospel of Matthew, the account of Jesus' life emphasized in this year's lectionary readings heard in church. Twenty-five dynamic spiritual leaders and authors serve as guides, writing from around the world about the wisdom, lessons, and parables shared by Matthew, one of the great apostles and evangelists.

Summer 2020

Forgive and Get Your Life Back.

Forgiveness: It is truly one of the most difficult spiritual problems faced by Christians today. So often we tell one another to "*forgive and forget.*" But how?

Forgiveness is a process. There is a distinction between forgiving, reconciling, and restoring a person that has hurt us, to their former position in our lives. This study describes the steps in the forgiveness process.

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