



Small Groups Fall 2010

Here at FPC, we desire people to be connected in Christian community in order to help fulfill our purpose statement of *“To reach more people and together grow in Christ.”* We have found that small groups have been able to provide a mechanism for people to grow in their personal faith and balance the five purposes within their lives. Although we don’t always do it ‘right’, the small group ministry continues to strive to help groups be healthy and works on providing new opportunities for those who desire a small group in their lives.

Below is a compilation of current existing groups and what they are studying. This will continue to be updated as groups ‘regroup’ after the summer.

Men’s Groups

Currently there are two active men’s groups that have been meeting weekly and both are open to additional men that want to join in.

- Monday 6am meets at the Youth House and is currently studying the first in the Robert Lewis Men’s Fraternity series: *“The Quest for Authentic Manhood”*.
- Wednesday 6am meets in the FPC dining room. This group is currently using the Men of Integrity weekly devotional as a discussion topic for the week. In October this group will use the Core Beliefs sermon series as the discussion topic for the week and early November will start the third study in Robert Lewis Men’s Fraternity series: *“The Great Adventure”*

A fall men’s kickoff/gathering is in the planning stages for later this fall, look to the bulletin and FPP for additional information for this event. One possible outcome of the gathering is to form a third group that would meet at a time more conducive to non-morning people. Last year a group was formed that met Monday evenings.

See Tim Devine, Jay Peak, Brian Flannagan or Bryan Early if interested or want additional information.

Women's Groups

Currently there are six active women's groups. They run the gamut of when they meet and how often along with what they study.

- Tuesday am in the church library. They are currently studying the book *Fearless: Imagine Your Life Without Fear* by Max Lucado.
Frequency: Weekly
Leader: Janet Cooke and Phyllis Camp
Status: Group is currently at capacity
- Tuesday pm in member's homes.
Frequency: Every other week
Leader: Missy Goetz
Status: Group is currently at capacity
- Tuesday pm in member's homes. This group is determining what they will be studying this fall but one possibility is *God: As He Longs for You to See Him* by Chip Ingram. No active childcare is provided but a space in the home is available for older children to be during the study.
Frequency: Every other week with once a month serving at Samaritan Supper.
Leader: Bev Conklin
Status: Group currently has the capacity for new members
- Thursday am in the church lounge. This group will be starting in October with the study, *Living a Life of Balance* from the Women of Faith Bible Studies. This is a group of moms, from infants to newly 'empty nesters', who are encouraging each other to raise the next generation of children to be strong in their faith. Childcare is provided.
Frequency: Every week
Leader: Kristy Mansfield
Status: Group currently has the capacity for new members

- Thursday afternoons in member's homes. This group is finishing up the Beth Moore study, *To Live Is Christ: Joining Paul's Journey of Faith*. They will be beginning a new study in mid-Oct which is yet to be determined.

Frequency: Every week

Leader: Betsy Jennings and Rebecca Barney

Status: Group currently has the capacity for new members
- Wednesday afternoon in the church dining room. This group is a PW circle that meets for time of sharing, a prayer time and a Bible Study using the Horizon's Bible Study material. They started the study of Joshua last winter and will continue that study this fall.

Frequency: Once a month on the third Wednesday of the month.

Leader: Fran Ebbers

Status: Group currently has the capacity for new members

Mixed Groups

- A new four-week parenting group. Kristin Kondratowski will be leading a 4 week 'Survival Guide' for parents starting in November. Survival Guide Topics will be Homework, Attitude, Bible Teaching and Spiritual Growth.

Frequency: Weekly for 4 weeks on Wednesday evenings.

Leader: Kristin Kondratowski

Status: Group currently has the capacity for new members
- Sunday evenings in the church lounge. This group is now meeting weekly and is going to be using Max Lucado's study on II Corinthians.

Frequency: Weekly

Leader: Don Camp

Status: Group currently has the capacity for new members

- Monday evenings. This newly forming group will begin meeting in October and will be studying the Core Beliefs that the church has just adopted. This study is being led by elder, Pam Davis.

Frequency: Every other Week

Leader: Pam Davis

Status: Group currently has the capacity for new members

- Sunday afternoons in member's homes. This group of parents with young children (but are open to all) will be kicking off their fall with a group social and then begin their study on October 17th. They will be studying the Core Beliefs that the church has just adopted.

Frequency: Twice a month.

Leader: Jen Hunt

Status: Group currently has the capacity for new members

- Friday evenings in member's homes. This group will be studying Tony Campolo's *Carpe Diem: Seize the Day*.

Frequency: Twice a month.

Leader: Jane Sprague and Fraser Williams

Status: Group currently has the capacity for new members

- Monday evenings in the youthhouse. This group of young adults (college to late 20s/early 30s) is studying Larry Crabb's *Inside Out*.

Frequency: Weekly

Leader: Jeremy Finn

Status: Group currently has the capacity for new members

- Sunday afternoons. This group is studying Chip Ingram's *R12: True Spirituality*.

Frequency: Twice a month

Leader: Pam and Chuck Holmes

Status: Currently at Capacity

- Sunday afternoons. This group combines socials and topical studies and is currently using the study *Living the Questions*.
Leader: Linda Glajch
Status: Currently at Capacity
- Sundays in member's homes. This group is our longest running small group in the church and has a healthy balance of discipleship, worship, fellowship and service.
Frequency: Twice a month
Leader: Fran Ebbers
Status: Currently at Capacity
- Sunday evenings in member's homes. This group will also be using the study on the Core Beliefs that the church has just adopted.
Frequency: Every other week
Leader: Kim Talley
Status: Currently at Capacity
- Monday evenings in member's homes. This group is continuing a study on Galatians.
Frequency: Weekly
Leader: Brian and Angela Flannagan
Status: Currently at Capacity

