

GROUPS & STUDIES



ST. JOHN
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**Adult Bible Study:
Bible 101**

Day: Sunday

Dates of class: January 15- March 18, 2012

Time: 9:15 - 10:30am

Location: 2nd Floor Next Generation Center- Room 275

Description: Bible 101 is a course for both beginners and those who have read the Bible. The 10-week course covers all 66 books of the Bible incorporating additional historical and geographical elements that will help the student put the Bible into context. Bible 101 is a friendly, informal class where you can ask questions and get answers. Best of all, there is no homework! Isn't it about time you started your journey into understanding the Bible? Bible 101 makes the first step easy...come join us!

Facilitator: Robert Galvin

Phone: (636) 484-0682

Email: Robert.galvin@charter.net

**Childcare available through Sunday Morning Children's Ministry
Bring your NIV Bible, no other courseware required**

Adult Bible Study:

Day: Sunday

Dates of class: Ongoing

Time: 9:15 - 10:30am

Location: 2nd Floor Next Gen Center- Room 276

Description: Join other adults in this co-ed Bible study.

Facilitator: Julie Lorenz

Phone: (636) 779-2343

Email: jlorenz@stjstl.net

Childcare available through Sunday Morning Children's Ministry

**Adult Bible Study:
Bible 202: The Patriarchs**

Day: Sunday

Dates of class: January 15- February 05, 2012

Time: 8:00 - 9:00am

Location: 2nd Floor Next Generation Center- Room 275

Description: The Bible 200 level courses are a continuation of the Bible 101 foundation course. Each four-week Bible 200 level course will focus on and delve deeper into the individual "eras" of the Bible as presented in the Bible 101 course (e.g. Creation Era, Patriarch Era, etc.)

Facilitator: Robert Galvin

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Women's Bible Study:
James: Mercy Triumphs

Day: Tuesday

Dates of class: January 10- March 6, 2012

Time: 9:15 - 11:15am

Location: Lower level Next Gen Center- The Alley

Description: This 8-week women's Bible study, by Beth Moore, provides a personal study experience of James, Jesus' own brother, who started out as a skeptic. See how one glimpse of the resurrected Savior turned an unbeliever into a disciple. Bible scholars compare James to the prophet Amos. In other ways, James more closely resembles the Book of Proverbs than any other New Testament book. Topics in this study include: joy, hardship, faith, reversal of fortunes for rich and poor, wisdom, gifts from above, single-mindedness, the dangers of the tongue, humility, and prayer

Facilitator: Karen Tripp

Phone: (314) 814-0044

Email: krtripp@gmail .com

Childcare available with pre-registration.

DVD with Beth Moore teaching for 60 minutes for each of the eight sessions. James: Mercy Triumphs study guides available at Crosswalk Bookstore.

No Class 1/24

Women's Bible Study:
Coffee With the Savior

Day: Tuesday

Dates of class: January 17- March 6, 2012

Time: 9:15 - 10:45am

Location: Lower level Next Gen Center- The Construction Zone

Description: Author Kristen Meyers shares her journey of real friendship with her Savior Jesus Christ. The verses of Jeremiah 29:12-13 come alive with hope as together we will "seek" and "find" Jesus as a true friend when we seek with all of our heart. Each chapter contains true stories about friendship, as well as Biblical accounts of Moses' relationship with his true Friend, God.

Facilitator: Renita Wold and Joan Bechtold

Phone: (314) 619-9140 or (314)578-3708

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Childcare available with pre-registration.

No Class 1/24

Adult Bible Study:
Pastor-led

Day: Tuesday

Dates of class: January 10- May 08, 2012

Time: 9:15 - 10:30am

Location: 2nd Floor Ministry Center- Room 250

Description: Join other adults in this Pastor-led, co-ed Bible study.

Facilitator: Julie Lorenz

Phone: (636) 779-2343

Email: jlorenz@stjstl.net

Childcare available with pre-registration.

No class 2/21, 4/3, 4/10

Women's Bible Study:

James: Mercy Triumphs

Day: Tuesday

Dates of class: January 10- February 28, 2112

Time: 7:00-9:00pm

Location: 3rd Floor Ministry Center- Imagineering Room

Description: This 8-week women's Bible study, by Beth Moore, provides a personal study experience of James, Jesus' own brother, who started out as a skeptic. See how one glimpse of the resurrected Savior turned an unbeliever into a disciple. Bible scholars compare James to the prophet Amos. In other ways, James more closely resembles the Book of Proverbs than any other New Testament book. Topics in this study include: joy, hardship, faith, reversal of fortunes for rich and poor, wisdom, gifts from above, single-mindedness, the dangers of the tongue, humility, and prayer

Facilitator: Sharon Schaller

Phone: (314) 520-1520

Email: sharons@nwfacp.org

DVD with Beth Moore teaching for 60 minutes for each of the eight sessions. James: Mercy Triumphs study guides available at Crosswalk Bookstore.

Women's Bible Study:

Always True: God's Promises When Life is Hard

Day: Tuesday

Dates of class: March 06- April 10, 2012

Time: 7:00 - 9:00pm

Location: 3rd Floor Ministry Center, Imagineering Room

Description: Always True: God's Promises When Life Is Hard is an adult Bible study by James MacDonald that leads individuals and churches to understand the nature of God's promises, which are always true whether in good times or trials in the believer's life. During an extended season of personal crises in his life James discovered that God's promises are always true and that we can trust God to be faithful to His word no matter what we face. These universal promises are based on biblical truths and principles that will provide hope to all believers who face hardship. (6 sessions)

Facilitator: Sharon Schaller

Phone: (314) 520-1520

Email: sharons@nwfacp.org

DVD with James MacDonald teaching for 30-40 minutes for each of the six sessions. Study resources available at Crosswalk

**Women's Bible Study:
Changes based on group decision**

Day: Thursday

Dates of class: On Going

Time: 7:15 - 8:05am

Location: Wildwood Bread Co.

Description: We together choose what we will discuss or what Bible study we will do. We have done several Beth Moore's, current "spiritual" books, traditional Bible studies etc. The homework is moderate, the discussions are marvelous

Facilitator: Lori Utech

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**Women's Bible Study:
Great Miracles of the Old Testament**

Day: Thursday

Dates of class: January 05- March 22, 2012

Time: 9:30 – 11:00am

Location: 1st Floor Cornerstone Youth Center

Description: Living Way Bible Study group will study selected miracles from the Old Testament. Join us as we study and share some tremendous moments when our Lord intervened in the course of history and human events. We will be sharing how God continues to lovingly intervene in our lives today in unexplainable ways.

Facilitator: Ella Mae Sprick

Phone: (636) 391-5561

Email: sprick11@charter.net

Study material provided in class

**Women's Bible Study:
Jonah**

Day: Thursday

Dates of class: March 29- May 03, 2012

Time: 9:30 – 11:00am

Location: 1st Floor Cornerstone Youth Center

Description: In the Spring Living Way Bible Study group will continue with the Old Testament book of "Jonah". It is a short, compact book in which God makes clear that His grace is meant for all people, a lesson Jonah had to learn. The prophet, Jonah, is especially remembered concerning his preaching to those outside of Israel.

Facilitator: Ella Mae Sprick
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Study material provided in class

**Adult Bible Study:
Exodus**

Day: Friday
Dates of class: January 06- November 30, 2011
Time: Noon to 1 pm.
Location: 2nd Floor Ministry Center- Room 250

Description: To read and study Exodus is to encounter the one and only true God. This book is about mercy, justice, holiness, and the glory of Almighty God, who rules history by his sovereign power and saves the people of his covenant, and delivers them from bondage. These miracles recorded for us in Exodus leave a lasting impression, causing the reader to return to them repeatedly to find hope and freedom in God's sustaining power and love. Join us as we study this amazing book of the Bible. This is the 2nd part of the Exodus study, starting where we left off before Christmas.

Facilitator: Brenda Naeger
Phone: (636) 227-0033
Email: jbnaeger@swbell.net

**Care Seminar:
Pre-marital Workshop**

Day: Saturday
Dates of class: January 14
Time: 9:00am - Noon
Location: 3rd Floor Ministry Center- Imagineering Room

Description: Engaged couples are paired with a mentor-couple for a 4 week pre-marital course. Kick-off on January 14th.

Facilitator: Annmarie Utech
Phone: (636) 779-2331
Email: autech@stjstl.net

Registration is \$50/couple and includes book distributed in class.

**Care Group:
GriefShare**

Day: Monday
Dates of class: February 06- May 7, 2012
Time: 7:00 - 9:00pm
Location: Ministry Center-2nd Floor, Room 250

Description: GriefShare is a 13 week video-educational program developed by Church Initiative. It gives information about the grieving process within the framework of Biblical beliefs. Participants obtain an understanding of grief firsthand from people interviewed by the video leaders. The videos are down to earth and yet highly informative. On-site discussion after viewing the videos gives the participants a chance to digest the information within their own context of grief.

Facilitator: Annmarie Utech

Phone: (636) 779-2331

Email: autech@stjstl.net

Registration is \$15 per person.

Care Group:

Good Grief for Kids with Shawn Crecilius

Day: Monday

Dates of class: February 06- April 02, 2012

Time: 7:00 – 8:15pm

Location: Next Generation Center- Room 170

Description: Children grieve differently than adults and are often the forgotten group of grievers. Good Grief Group for Kids is an educational tool for children to understand the grieving process and participate in activities that are designed to help them to move through their deep loss and accept the new norm. Designed for kids ages 5-12. This class will be moderated by Shawn Crecilius, a local elementary school counselor.

Facilitator: Annmarie Utech

Phone: (636) 779-2331

Email: autech@stjstl.net

Registration is \$25 per child.

Care Group:

Single and Parenting

Day: Monday

Dates of class: February 06- April 30, 2012

Time: 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Location: Ministry Center-3rd floor- Imagineerinig Room

Description: Video educational seminar offering parenting strategies, encouragement and insights on how to find rest and hope as you parent alone.

Facilitator: Annmarie Utech

Phone: (636) 779-2331

Email: autech@stjstl.net

Childcare available with pre-registration.

Registration is \$20 per person.

**Care Seminar:
Art of Marriage**

Day: Friday-Saturday

Dates of class: February 11- February 12, 2012

Time: Friday 5:00 - 8:30pm Saturday 9:00am - 4:00pm

Location: Wildwood Hotel

Description: Video seminar from Family Life. God can turn any marriage into a masterpiece. Marriage is colored by personalities, passions and experiences. Making marriage work is a divinely inspired art form. Sessions weave together expert teaching, engaging stories, man-on-the street interviews, humorous vignettes and much more to portray both the challenges and the beauty of God's design.

Facilitator: Annmarie Utech

Phone: (636) 779-2331

Email: autech@stjstl.net

Due to the popularity of this video-guided event, St. John is once again offering the Art of Marriage for a Valentine Getaway weekend. Registration is \$59 per couple. Overnight accommodations not included in the registration fee.

**Care Seminar:
Pre-marital Workshop**

Day: Saturday

Dates of class: April 14

Time: 9:00am - Noon

Location: 3rd Floor Ministry Center- Imagineering Room

Description: Engaged couples are paired with a mentor-couple for a 4 week pre-marital course. Kick-off on January 14th.

Facilitator: Annmarie Utech

Phone: (636) 779-2331

Email: autech@stjstl.net

Registration is \$50/couple and includes book distributed in class.

**Care Seminar:
John Meyer Employment Seminar**

Dates of class: Spring 2012

Description: Interactive employment seminar led by John Meyer. Covering resume writing, interviewing, and networking.

Facilitator: Annmarie Utech

Phone: (636) 779-2331

Email: autech@stjstl.net

Class-size limited to 16 people. No fee.

Small Groups for Men: IronMen

IronMen groups are a great way to live out the 1.1.15.6. Organized into Small Groups, IronMen offers men the opportunity to be someONE to another man. We believe that God sharpens our faith, our family relationships, and our Christian service as we continue to meet together to build friendships. IronMen Groups meet in various locations and times, throughout the week. IronMen also hosts a quarterly Speaker Series on Friday Mornings.

The next IronMen Speaker Series event is
8am, Saturday, January 21, 2012

For more information or to join an IronMen group contact Julie at jlorenz@stjstl.net or (636) 779-2343

“As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.” Proverbs 27:17

Women’s Ministry: Group & Studies for Women

To encourage women to Spend FIFTEEN minutes a day in a faith-building discipline. Women’s Ministries offer many different studies throughout the year. This brochure is published three times each year, August, December, and May.

Women’s Ministry Events

Women’s Ministry also encourages women to be someONE to another person for whom Christ died. In order to help establish relationships, Women’s Ministry hosts several large group events a year; Spring, Fall & Advent by Candlelight in December.

For more information contact Julie at jlorenz@stjstl.net or (636) 779-2343.

**Youth Ministry:
Groups & Studies for Teens (6th-12th grade)**

Gender specific small groups meet every week for bible study, fun, and fellowship. These groups are led by a caring adult mentor, and meet at various days, times, and locations throughout the week. Registration is required.

6th grade groups are formed through “**Picture This,**” which studies the big picture of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation using an awesome comic book style Bible!

7th & 8th grade groups are formed through **OASIS**, and study foundational Christian beliefs. The goal is to help youth understand not only what they believe, but why they believe it. At the end of 8th grade OASIS students have the option to affirm their faith through a confirmation ceremony.

High School groups are called **Area Bible Studies** (or ABS for short.) These groups choose their studies from a variety of topics, books, and resources provided by Youth Ministry.

High Schoolers who have not yet confirmed their Christian faith can participate in a study called **FastTrack** where they will learn about foundational Christian beliefs and have the opportunity to affirm their faith through a confirmation ceremony.

For more information contact Dawn at dhall@stjstl.net or (636) 779-2333. To download registrations forms visit www.cornerstoneyouthministry.com.

**Children's Ministry:
Groups & Studies for Children (3yrs – 5th grade)**

Age appropriate small groups meet every week for worship, Bible study, and fellowship. These groups are led by a caring adult mentor, and meet in the Next Generation Center and South School Hallway on Sunday mornings at 9:15am & 11:00am.

Our Preschoolers are “Jammin’” on Sunday mornings! JAM (Jesus and Me) Ministry provides high energy large group teaching including dancing, singing, games, and the Bible story told in a dramatic and engaging way. This experience is accompanied by a small group time which gives children the opportunity to build relationships with their leader and the other children in their group. Small groups include open activities, games, and reinforcement of the lesson learned.

In our K-3rd grade environment kids hear the Bible Story done in a creative and dramatic way and engage in the latest Christian music! They also build community by gathering in the same small group of 6-10 kids each Sunday to discuss how the Bible story relates to their life and God's plan for them. They learn that they need to make the wise choice, they can trust God no matter what, and that they should treat others the way they want to be treated.

4th & 5th grade Sunday morning Children's Ministry is called Grapple. In Grapple, we tackle the tough questions your kids are thinking and talking about with their family and friends. Kids are engaged through their very own safe and secure website where they get to play games and build community with each other.

For more information contact Lisa at lschmidt@stjstl.net or (636) 779-2376.

Class Registration

You may register directly with the class facilitator or online at www.stjstl.net

Childcare Registration

If you need childcare, you must pre-register. Register online at www.stjstl.net or contact Ashley Paavola at apaavola@stjstl.net or (636)779-2360.

Please Note: Registration deadline for Tuesday Morning childcare is **January 3, 2012**. Registrations for children after this date will be taken only if space allows.



Sunday 8:30am-12noon
Tuesday –Friday 10am-4pm
Every Wednesday Open until 7pm
Closed on Monday & Saturday

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