

COUNTRY & TOWN BAPTIST CHURCH

LOVING | GROWING | SHARING | SERVING

Winter 2023-2024

ADULT



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LIFE GROUPS

Life Groups meet on a weekly basis for teaching, fellowship, caring, ministry, and prayer. Our goal is a real sense of community resulting in life transformation.

Sunday Mornings at 9:00 & 10:30am

Life Groups meet for approximately one hour throughout the year. Since these groups are offered at two different times, you may choose to attend either Worship Service (9:00 or 10:30am) and still be able to attend a Life Group during the opposite time period. Children's classes (Nursery-Grade 5) are offered at 9:00am. Youth classes (grades 6-12) are offered at 9:00am.

During the Week

Additional groups meet through the week. You will find them listed in this brochure.

It is our sincere prayer that every person attending Country & Town will find themselves involved in one of the Life Groups offered. We encourage you to try several groups until you find the one that meets your specific needs.

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9:00AM SUNDAY MORNING



1 Samuel

**Emerging Young Adults (ages 18-20s), Room 15 (lower level),
9:00am**

Teacher: Joe Cheng

All young adults are invited to join us.

1 Samuel shows God reluctantly raising up kings to rule the Israelites. The first is a failure, and the second, David is a faithful replacement. A poem near the start of the book reveals the book's key themes: God's opposition to the proud, exultation of the humble, faithfulness in spite of evil, and the promise of a messianic king.



Bible Studies for Life: Adults

Grace Class (Ladies), Room 19 (lower level), 9:00am

This hybrid class meets in person and via Zoom.

Teacher: Jane Koppenheffer (jkoppenheffer@gmail.com)

Bible Studies for Life is designed to help adult groups make disciples through comprehensive, in-depth Bible study. Each year, this series addresses the eight spiritual markers found in maturing believers to ensure that participants are getting a balanced approach to discipleship.

The winter studies are *A Name Like No Other* (which looks at the majesty and power of the name of God) and *Owning a Faith That Matters* (a study of what faith entails from the Gospel of Luke). A special focus session titled *A Cry for Justice*—a Sanctity of Human Life study—is also included. (13 sessions)

Please join us! Email Jane for the Zoom link.

9:00AM SUNDAY MORNING



Bible Studies for Life: Adults

Mixed Adults, Room 114, 9:00am

This hybrid class meets in person and via Zoom.

Teacher: Dan Troxell (djtroxell@comcast.net)

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To Be Determined

Mixed Adults, Fellowship Hall 1, 9:00am

Teacher: Bruce Anderson

We welcome couples and individuals of all ages.

9:00AM SUNDAY MORNING



Jesus in the Gospels

Median Adults, Room 201, 9:00am

Teacher: Dave McDonald

Taking a look at *Jesus in the Gospels* by uncovering evidence for the truth of scripture. This class delves into the history, geography, archeology, and art surrounding the birth, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

Please join us! Room 201 is behind the sound booth in the balcony.

10:30AM SUNDAY MORNING



Minor Prophets: Zephaniah

JOY Class (Ladies), Room 107, 10:30am

Teacher: Mary Alaimo

As modern-day believers in Christ, we, like those in Judah, make a mockery of worship when we live in open sin. Do you come before the Lord with a false face, week in and week out, looking the part without acting it? Allow Zephaniah to remind you how seriously God takes your life and your relationship with Him. And if you have failed, remember the message of Zephaniah, God is always a God of restoration and hope.

Our class is mostly senior adults but all ladies are invited to join us.



James

**Advanced Bible Study (Mixed Adults), Fellowship Hall 1,
10:30am**

Teacher: Bill Scott

James is a powerful work that combines the wisdom of Jesus' teachings and the Book of Proverbs. You will learn about James' background and his role as the leader of the Jerusalem Church, which faced challenges such as poverty and persecution. The structure of the book consists of twelve short teachings, exploring themes like faith and works, the power of words, wealth and poverty, and the importance of wisdom and wholeness. Ultimately, James calls on followers of Jesus to live in accordance with the "Perfect Torah of Freedom" – the command to love God and love your neighbor.

10:30AM SUNDAY MORNING



***The Great Disappearance* by Dr. David Jeremiah**
Mixed Adults, Room 114, 10:30am
Teacher: Art Frank

The Great Disappearance is a culmination of decades of Dr. Jeremiah studying end times throughout the Bible. In this definitive volume he will explain the meaning of the word rapture, the difference between the rapture and the second coming, and the joy of expecting our Savior to come at any given moment.

All adults are welcome to join us.



Explore the Bible: Genesis 1-19
Mixed Adults, 10:30am, Fellowship Hall 2
This hybrid class meets in person and via Zoom.
Teacher: Fran Burkholder



Teacher: Ross Cleveland (clevemail.rc@gmail.com)

God doesn't just want us to read His Word, He wants us to know it and live its truth. That's why *Explore the Bible: Adults* takes groups book by book through Scripture, framing every passage in its appropriate biblical and cultural context.

This winter, we'll study the first 19 chapters of Genesis. The old saying warns us that those who ignore the past are destined to repeat its mistakes. In Genesis 1-19, readers are given a front-row seat to where everything began - and how it all fell apart. Even more important, we see how a loving God moved to restore the shattered pieces by pointing His people toward a future hope. Our world is just as broken today as it was back then, which means the message of Genesis is just as vital today as it was back then. (13 sessions)

Email Ross for the Zoom link.

SUNDAY EVENING



Pastor's Bible Study
Mixed Adults, Children's Suite, 6:30pm
Teacher: Pastor Todd

We will begin with a short cooperate worship at 6:00pm in the Children's Suite followed by Bible Study at 6:30pm.

Sunday Nights @ C&T is paused from December 10-31. We resume January 7.

TUESDAY MORNING



Explore the Bible: Genesis 1-19

Retired Men, 10:00am, via Zoom.

Teacher: Jack Hester (717.253.3835)



Teacher: Dave Pierce (717.487.0936)



Teacher: John Transue (john@johntransue.com)

All retired men are welcome to join us on Zoom in Bible study, fellowship, and prayer each Tuesday morning, beginning December 5, when we will begin a new study *Genesis: 1-19*.

Historically, Jews and Christians have held that Moses was the author of the first five books of the Old Testament, known also as the Pentateuch. The 40-year period of Israel's wandering in the desert from 1446 B.C. to 1406 B.C. would have been the most likely period for Moses to have written the Pentateuch. The book of Genesis is foundational to the understanding of the rest of the Bible. It is a book of relationships between God and nature, God and man, and man with man. It is monotheistic, meaning that there is only One God. It clearly teaches that the One True God is sovereign over all that exists within His entire creation. It introduces us to the way God initiated and made covenants with His chosen people, pledging His love and faithfulness to them and calling them to promise faithfulness to Him. The message of Genesis is divided into ten main sections. The first five sections are grouped together and can be appropriately called primary history sketching the period from Adam to Abraham. The last five sections relate the story of God's dealing with Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Joseph and their families.

Email John Transue for the Zoom link.

TUESDAY MORNING



The King's Daughters
Explore the Bible: Genesis 1-19
Ladies, 10:00am, Room 107
Teacher: June Pierce



Teacher: Roseann Hester

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TUESDAY EVENING



Zechariah

Mixed Adults, 7:00pm via Zoom

Teacher: Brian Kreutzer (briankreutzer@comcast.net)

Zechariah brims over with the hope that God would remember His promises to His people, even after all the time they spent outside the land. The prophet used a simple structure of eight visions, four messages, and two oracles to anticipate the completion of the temple and, ultimately, the future reign of the Messiah from Jerusalem.

Everyone is welcome just email Brian for the Zoom link.



Women on Mission (4th Tuesdays)

Ladies, 6:30-8:00pm, Fellowship Hall 1

Teacher: Fanny Grote

This group is for women who have a real passion to see missions supported and expanded around the world. We meet the fourth Monday evening of the month for teaching about missions, for prayer, and to provide tangible support for missionaries. We will also pray for and minister to each member of our group. We are excited about the potential to truly make a global impact for the Kingdom in the days to come.

WEDNESDAY MORNING



Acts

Men, 6:30-7:30am, via Zoom

Teacher: Eric David (ericjeanne@comcast.net)

Acts covers the story of the founding of the Church under Peter, the founder of this church according to Luke, as well as the missionary journeys of Paul, a Jew who encounters the risen Jesus while traveling to, ironically, persecute Christians, and ending with Paul in Rome under house arrest.

Email Eric for the Zoom link.



Sewing Servants, Fellowship Hall, 10:00am

2nd & 4th Wednesdays

Host: Mary Chambers



Host: Susann Jones

We serve the Lord with our hands using our talents to provide comfort to the church body, community, and for missions.

If you like to sew we would love for you to join us.

WEDNESDAY EVENING



Prayer Meeting

Mixed Adults, 6:00-7:00pm, Room 114

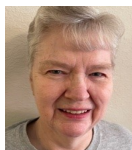
This hybrid class meets in person and via Zoom

Host: Jim Atwell (jimbatwell@yahoo.com)

Join us as we meet in person and via Zoom to pray for all aspects of our lives.

Email Jim for the Zoom link.

THURSDAY MORNING



Ladies Bible Study, 9:30am via Zoom

***Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World* by Joanna Weaver**

Teacher: Kathy Transue (ktransue1@hotmail.com)

The life of a woman today isn't all that different from that of Mary and Martha in the New Testament. Like Mary, you long to sit at the Lord's feet but the daily demands of a busy world just won't leave you alone. Like Martha, you love Jesus and want to serve him yet you struggle with weariness, resentment, and feelings of inadequacy. Then comes Jesus, right into the midst of your busy life and extends the same invitation he issued long ago to the two sisters of Bethany. Marys and Marthas alike can draw closer to our Lord, deepening our devotion, strengthening our service, and doing both with less stress and greater joy.

Email Linda Cook at lrc3920@comcast.net for the Zoom link.