



CORE

CHRISTIAN LIVING • ORTHODOXY • REACH • EXPOSITION

CHRISTIAN LIVING: *Topically driven classes offering Biblical insight and practical help for living out the Christian life.*

LOVE WALKED AMONG US

Who is **Jesus**? His name is recognized the world over. But how many of us fully understand what He was like as a person? Honest, powerful, humble, full of mercy and light—**Jesus was love personified**, the full potential of what we were intended to be. **Get to know Jesus and witness His love** unfold in the Gospels in a new and insightful way. We look forward to learning together how to embody this love on mission!

FORMAT: Teaching with facilitated discussion

LEADERS: Eric Vess, Lori Flowers, Shawn Morrison, Elke Cox

ROOM: Discipleship Wing 206/Zoom

FOUNDATION SUNDAY SCHOOL

"⁶Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving," (Colossians 2:6-7). Paul says that those who receive Christ Jesus as lord are **rooted and grounded in a relationship with Christ**. How does a disciple walk this new life on this **new foundation**? This Sunday School seeks to **establish new and growing Christians** in the Gospel so that they will know, love, and serve the Lord in all of life.

FORMAT: Teaching with facilitated discussion

LEADERS: Mike Palombo and Team

ROOM: Discipleship Wing 205

ORTHODOXY: *Topically driven classes that lay out the foundations of sound, Biblical, Reformed doctrine winsomely.*

WESTMINSTER CONFESSION

Continuing our study of **historic creeds and councils**, we now delve deeper into the **Westminster Assembly (1646) and the Confession of Faith**. These serve as the standard for doctrinal orthodoxy at Rivermont EPC. Our focus includes the **doctrines** but we emphasize the **historic context**, long-term struggles for **doctrinal clarity**, and **modern-day applications** for Reformed denominations.

FORMAT: Teaching with facilitated discussion

LEADERS: Carey Roberts, Ken Bradford, Scott Amos, Bruce Bell

ROOM: The Chapel

EXPOSITION: *Textually driven classes covering books or themes of the Bible aimed at understanding "the" story of the Bible.*

GENESIS

"In the beginning ..." Those words evoke numerous questions for all of us searching for the **origins of God's creation** and man's **early walk with the Lord**. This discussion class will march through the entire book of Genesis in multiple quarters. We will struggle with those topics ranging from **original sin to family relationships** which permeate Genesis. Class discussion is highly encouraged. Join us as we study the beginning of man and woman's long walk with God.

FORMAT: Teaching with facilitated discussion

LEADERS: Randy Davy, Doug Lane, Beth Doan, Tom Thomas

ROOM: Discipleship Wing 201

Jeremiah

What should our perspective be as individuals, as institutions, as orthodox Christians, as those who would claim to be Bible-believing living in a post-Christian world? How should we function? The prophet Jeremiah lived at the end of a dark period. He was called by God to be an outspoken prophet. God put His words in Jeremiah's mouth to **"pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow... to build and to plant."** His redemptive, reconstructive work provides a portrait of the future – that we see fulfilled in the life, death and resurrection of Christ. Jeremiah continues to speak to us in the 21st century. Like Jeremiah, may we be **bold before people and broken before God!**

FORMAT: Teaching with facilitated discussion

LEADERS: Janice & Rodney Suddith, Vance Pickard

ROOM: Discipleship Wing 203-204/Zoom

1 & 2 PETER

"Be all the more diligent to make your **calling and election sure**" (II Peter 1:10) Join the John Knox class for an in-depth study of I & II Peter. The themes of these epistles - **perseverance in the face of harassment, slander, ostracism, and persecution for the cause of Christ** - are as relevant today as they were in the First Century AD. Join us as we study God's Word so that we can **find the strength to stand firm, endure trials, and rejoice in Him!**

FORMAT: Teaching with facilitated discussion and prayer

LEADERS: Chris Smith, Bruce Bell, Phyllis Workman, Scott Hall, & Sherry Day

ROOM: John Knox Room

LIFE STAGE CLASSES

20 Somethings+ 22-30s single or married

LEADERS: Ryan Pickard, Grant Barkley, & Caleb Wade

The 20 Somethings+ ministry meets weekly for teaching, the second Sunday for lunch and fourth Friday for an event. Come join us as we grow in love together!

ROOM: Rivermont A (Lower Level near Fellowship Hall)

HOMEBUILDERS *Parent(s) w/ youngest child in Middle School or below*

LEADERS: Bert & Christy Murphy, Michael & Heather Hall, & Evan Harris

TOPIC: Home Building is Kingdom Building!

We will discuss how we can **point our children and teenagers to Jesus**. The class will be using the books *Family Discipleship* by Chandler & Griffin, *Give Them Grace* by Fitzpatrick, and *Parenting in the Pew* by Castleman. We will cover practical ways to **share the gospel** with our little ones to **challenging conversations** about gender identity, love, and finances. *Due to the sensitive nature of these conversations, this class will not be streamed or recorded.*

Please register at: <https://bit.ly/3KiNzLF>

ROOM: Fellowship Hall

Children's Sunday School**Infant (Lower Level Room #101)**

Led by Nursery Staff

1 Year Olds (walking) (Lower Level Room #102)

Led by Kathy Pickard

2 Year Olds (Lower Level Room #109)

Led by Nursery Staff

3 Year Olds (Lower Level Room #105)

Led by Nursery Staff

Pre-K-K (Third Floor Room #301)

Led by Pat Hylton, Tasha Yeoman & Debbie Kamp

1st-2nd Grade (Third Floor Room #302)

Led by Rebecca May, Sarah Quarantotto, Gary Eaton

3rd-4th Grade (Third Floor Room #308)

Led by Sacha Layman, Beth Reeves, Cassie Peterson & Sydney Adams

**TOPIC: *How Majestic Is Your Name***

The names of God in the Bible are a reflection of His character, which is so glorious that He cannot be described by a single name. His character is communicated in hundreds of names progressively revealed in the Bible. But the focus of *How Majestic Is Your Name* is not the many names, titles and references to God. These are merely the structure to show the greatness of our God. Each lesson will present glorious truths about God and encourages students to see and rejoice in His goodness and greatness.

5th & 6th Grade (Room #207)

Led by Brian Nash and Treasa Plude

September**7th - 12th Grade: *The Trinity***

Led by Shane Whelan

(Quinlan Room)

The one true and living God eternally exists in three distinct yet inseparable persons. The creeds and confession of the church summarize the essential biblical truths about the triunity of God, providing theological support for this foundational doctrine. Nevertheless, the doctrine of the Trinity has also been frequently misunderstood, misrepresented and perverted. Students will spend three weeks learning about Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and the characteristics that are unique to each one.

October - December**7th - 8th Grade: *Gospel Foundations***

Led by Lissa Hull and April Weber

(Youth House Room #322)

The gospel is the central message of the Bible and the primary word of Christianity. From Genesis to Revelation, we see a narrative of human sin and failure, alongside divine mercy and redemption. The gospel in ways is very simple. In very basic terms, it involves human sin, divine grace, and the work of Jesus. This study will help students to articulate the gospel accurately in terms of grace, and to share the good news of Christ with the world.

9th - 10th Grade: *1 Peter*

Led by Moose and Carrie Pierce and Brad Weaver

(Youth House Room #324)

Peter's audience was waiting for the return of Jesus. Perhaps they were beginning to wonder if He would even come back at all. As persecution ramped up, they likely were thinking, "Did we get this wrong? Is this all worth it?" How were they supposed to live as the church of Christ in a time such as that? Peter writes to these Christians to give them grounding, hope, and direction in the midst of hard and uncertain times. Much of 1 Peter is guidance about how to live in such a hostile environment.

11th - 12th Grade: *Gospel Centered Life*

Led by Shane and Laura Whelan

(Youth House Room #320)

How can ordinary Christians live the truly extraordinary life that God calls us to? By focusing our attention on the grace of God shown to us in the gospel, everyday problems and experiences like these, familiar to Christians everywhere, can be transformed as the cross of Christ becomes the motive and measure of everything we do.

"Every Christian family ought to be as it were a little church consecrated to Christ, and wholly influenced and governed by His rule. And family education and order are some of the chief means of grace. If these fail, all other means are likely to prove ineffectual. If these are duly maintained, all the means of grace will be likely to prosper and be successful."
(Jonathan Edwards)