



TRINITY CLASSES

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Dear Friend,

I'm so glad you are considering a Trinity Class. The preaching during our Sunday gatherings can only scratch the surface on the bottomless depths of the gospel. It is vital to the life of every believer to engage in independent study and prayer as well as to actively function within the greater church community.

Romans 1:16 says, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek."

Here at Trinity, there are three primary ways to grow together:

- Trinity Classes
- Affinity Groups
- Community Groups

Classes help us learn from the perspectives and gifts of others in an environment free of judgment. In Trinity Classes there is honest interaction with the Scripture alongside other like-minded but equally imperfect brothers and sisters in Christ.

Affinity Groups, as the name suggests, are designed to help us build friendships and meet new people where there is already common interest. These groups have a low commitment level and work well as a "next step" in becoming more involved at Trinity.

Community Groups require a deeper level of commitment and act as a kind of "internship" for practicing gospel truths in the everyday stuff of life we all face. This community context helps us fully realize our identities as both disciples who are still growing and as disciple-makers encouraging growth in each other and sharing our faith.

Generally speaking, Trinity Classes fall into three categories: Gospel Exposure, Gospel Expansion, and Gospel Expression. They represent areas of your faith journey in which we can always continue to learn, apply, and grow. These categories are not mutually exclusive, but different classes will have special emphasis on one or more of the three. The question you need to answer is "what area do I most need growth in right now?" That will help you choose a class.

Finally, ask yourself "how am I applying what I am learning?" Joining a Community Group is likely the best way for you to apply what you're learning. Contact one of the pastors to learn more about joining a Community Group.

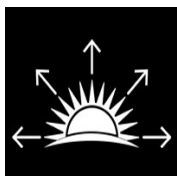
Thank you for choosing Trinity as your church home. We are glad you're here!

Sincerely,
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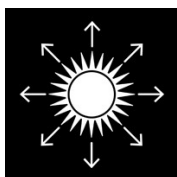
How to best use this catalog:

- Read through the descriptions of the class categories.
- Pray about which category you need growth in most right now.
- Look for the classes offered in that category, and check compatibility with your schedule.
- Consider the Affinity Groups for more ongoing interaction.
- Email the contact person with any questions.
- Register for the class(es) on trinitychurchmn.com/resources/online-registration.
- Come ready to grow and to help others grow to be more like Jesus.

CATEGORY DESCRIPTIONS



Gospel Exposure: There are always more areas of our lives that need to be exposed to the gospel. This foundational category poses questions like: Who is God? Why do I need God? What does God think of me? How could the gospel possibly apply to...?



Gospel Expansion: This category applies the gospel understanding to all areas of life. Classes in this category explore questions like: How does the gospel influence my work? my marriage? my parenting? etc.



Gospel Expression: It's a natural response to share the joy we feel as the gospel changes our lives. Classes in this category ask the question, "Who am I sharing with and how?"

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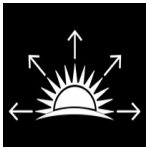
SUNDAY CLASS—YOUTH

BIC: Bible Instruction Course

Sundays, Sept. 24 - May 19, 9 - 10 AM

Community Center E

Middle school students, grades 6-8



BIC is designed to challenge middle school students (grades 6-8) to study God's Word and gain understanding of its precepts.

The students will be introduced to:

- Basic Bible doctrine
- A survey of the Scriptures
- Important aspects of Christian living
- A brief history of the Evangelical Free Church of America.

Can a person start anytime?

Yes.

What level of commitment/intensity is involved?

There is minimal homework.

Is there a book to purchase or class fee?

Books can be either borrowed or purchased.

Contact

Jolyne Cross, Matt Parry or Joel Tornell

Register online

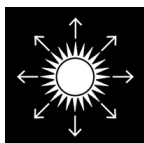
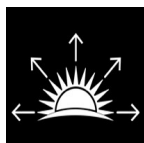
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SUNDAY CLASS

Gospel of John

Sundays, Sept. 24 - May 5, 9 - 10 AM

Online only via Zoom



The Gospel of John is a wonderful and loving portrayal of the person and ministry of Jesus. In this study we will examine His life, challenges, and successes to better understand how we believers are to relate to fellow believers and the world around us.

Why study the Gospel of John?

The Apostle John is an eyewitness to the ministry and teachings of Christ Jesus, and he testifies to Jesus' miracles. The Apostle John also describes Jesus' examples of love, mercy, and compassion, and explains Jesus' passion in obeying the Father and saving humankind. The Gospel of John gives us an example of how best to live our lives in service to humankind and in obedience to Christ Jesus.

Can a person start anytime?

Yes, but those who start on Sept. 24 will gain the most benefit.

What level of commitment/intensity is involved?

No homework. Students are encouraged to answer study sheet questions during the week. Discussion will be via Zoom with link provided before the class starts.

Is there a book to purchase or class fee?

No. Study sheets are free and will be available for download.

Contact

Chuck Tremain

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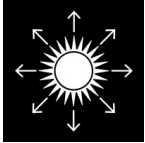
SUNDAY CLASS

Sermon Review & Application

Sundays, Sept. 24 - Dec. 17, 9 - 10 AM

Community Center C

Grade 9 through adults



If you have ever longed to process the Sunday morning messages with a larger group of like-minded believers, this class is for you. Come every week or just occasionally to this larger group discussion of the previous week's sermon. Review, unpack, dig deeper, think through more personal application of the current sermon series – for all this and more come any Sunday morning and join in the discussion.

Can a person start anytime?

Yes.

What level of commitment/intensity is involved?

There is no homework for this class.

Is there a book to purchase or class fee?

No.

Contact

Alfonso Hernandez or Chris Yohnke

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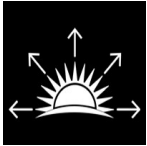
SUNDAY CLASS

Renewing Waters

Sundays, Oct. 1 - Nov. 5, 9 - 10 AM

Community Center A & B

Grade 9 through adults



Life can be so harsh and cause so much distress. This class is designed to go through six different stories where God used water as a healing and renewing agent to bring freedom and rest. The class will involve group discussions, hands-on activities and teaching to bring these various stories to life. You will walk away with practical tools to navigate when life is hard, when you have hurt from your past or feel anxious about your future. Come take a journey that will provide new insight and depth into the ways you can be renewed and refreshed.

Can a person start anytime?

Yes, but those who start on Oct. 1 will gain the most benefit.

What level of commitment/intensity is involved?

There is no homework for this class.

Is there a book to purchase or class fee?

No.

Contact

Jenita Pace

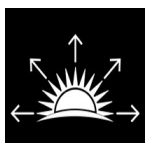
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WOMEN'S CLASS

Exodus: God Our Deliverer

Mondays, Sept. 11 - Dec. 11, 9:30 - 11:30 AM
Community Center E



Exodus is the foundational story of the nation of Israel and reveals an all-powerful, intimately personal God. The same God who delivered Israel also delivers us from our slavery to sin. As we study the book of Exodus, we will see God's redemptive plan for all humanity, the promise of Christ throughout the book and how we can live as those set free.

In addition to studying the entire book of Exodus, we will be discussing the book, *Ten Words to Live By*, by Jen Wilkin. This book will give us a fresh biblical look at the 10 Commandments and how they come to bear on our lives today as we seek to love God and others, to live in joyful freedom and to long for that future day when God will be rightly worshiped for eternity.

Can a person start anytime?

Yes, but those who start on Sept. 11 will gain the most benefit.

What level of commitment/intensity is involved?

There is weekly homework, however, we understand that work does not always get completed. We welcome all to come regardless of the state of their homework.

Is there a book to purchase or class fee?

The cost of the book is \$10 and available to purchase the first day of class.

Contact

Deb Binder

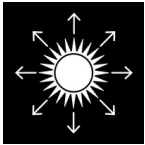
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WOMEN'S CLASS

Nehemiah

Tuesdays, Sept. 12 - Dec. 12, 9:30 - 11:30 AM
Community Center A & B



We are a women's Bible study that strives to encourage one another in our walk with God and with one another. Join us as we work through LifeGuide's study on the book of Nehemiah. Nehemiah was a leader who faced opposition and difficulty from every side - even from his own people. Yet he stood against the enemy and trusted God. Although we may never confront our enemies in war, we can learn from Nehemiah's courage and faith as we struggle with the world and its values.

Can a person start anytime?

Yes, but those who start on Sept. 12 will gain the most benefit.

What level of commitment/intensity is involved?

Weekly lessons are done in between classes.

Is there a book to purchase or class fee?

The fee, including book, is \$15 and can be paid the first day of class.

Contact

Stacey Jagt

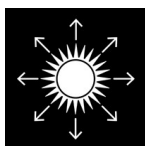
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WOMEN'S CLASS

Isaiah: Striving Less & Trusting God More

Tuesdays, Sept. 12 - Dec. 12, 6:30 - 8 PM (2nd & 4th Tues.)
Community Center A & B



Isaiah served as God's mouthpiece to the nation of Judah but also to the surrounding nations. His message echoes into our lives today as we read his call to rely on the Lord. Using the genres of poetry, narrative, and prophecy, Isaiah communicated clearly that followers of God could trust in Him.

As you study the chapters Isaiah wrote—from his challenging words to the nation of Israel to his prophecies of the Messiah to come—learn to rest in God's promises and grow in trust. Unpacking Isaiah's words will reveal that you can trust God more than your own human effort or the counterfeits the world suggests. You won't be striving harder, but instead trusting more deeply the Faithful One who is so worthy of our utter dependence. In Him you'll find the comfort and peace you need to sustain you.

Can a person start anytime?

Yes, but those who start on Sept. 12 will gain the most benefit.

What level of commitment/intensity is involved?

The study book has lessons to be completed twice a month. We will meet to watch a video together and discuss the lesson.

Is there a book to purchase or class fee?

The book is \$22 and available to purchase the first day of class.

Contact

Shey Larson

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AFFINITY GROUPS

Chronic Illness Support Group

Network for those with chronic illness or care for one who does.

Contact Lindy Kes

Game On for Women

Game night for women & an opportunity to invite friends.

Meets Sept. 29 and Oct. 27, 6:30 PM

Contact Kaydene Almquist

K2F Adoption & Foster Ministries

Connecting with other foster and adoptive parents.

Contact Missy Rock

Men's Bible Study & Discussion

This group works thoroughly through various books of the Bible.

Meets Tuesdays, 6:30 PM

Contact Jeff Christina

Men's Breakfast

All men are welcome to come, eat, pray and challenge each other to a more dynamic faith as we follow Christ together.

Meets 3rd Saturday of the month, 8 AM (starts Oct. 21)

Contact Keith Kronbeck



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