TRINITY CLASSES

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FALL 2024



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, Tim Pace Community Life & Adult Ministries Pastor 952.469.6266 tpace@trinitychurchmn.com

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. 22 - May 18, 9 - 10 AM Community Center D 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.

We will be helping the students to be acquainted with:

- Basic Bible doctrine
- A survey of the Scriptures
- Important aspects of Christian living
- Basic information about the Evangelical Free Church missions
- 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? The cost of the book is \$10 and available to purchase the first day of class.

Contact Jolyne Cross Matt Parry Joel Tornell

SUNDAY CLASS-YOUTH

SH Sunday Mornings

Sundays, Sept. 22 - May 18, 9 - 10 AM Community Center F High school students, grades 9-12



We are beginning the 2024-25 year with a 10-week study: *Crazy Love* by Francis Chan

Does something deep inside your heart long to break free from the status quo? Are you hungry for an authentic faith that addresses the problems of our world with tangible, even radical, solutions? God is calling you to a passionate love relationship with Himself. Because the answer to religious complacency isn't working harder at a list of do's and don'ts - it's

falling in love with God. And once you encounter His love, as Francis describes it, you will never be the same.

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? The cost of the workbook is \$8 and available to purchase the first day of class.

Contact Erin Tornell Jenita Pace

SUNDAY CLASS

Romans

Sundays, Sept. 22 - Mar. 23, 9 - 10 AM Online only via Zoom



In this amazing letter the apostle Paul provides great wisdom to guide those who believe in the saving grace of Christ Jesus. Though we have all sinned and deserve death, Jesus is a Savior who loves you and me, and is willing to take upon Himself the eternal consequences for all of your sins, for all of my sins! Join us as we explore the details of this Good News in vivid detail as only Paul can give.

Can a person start anytime?

Yes, but those who start on Sept. 22 will gain the most benefit.

What level of commitment/intensity is involved?

Students are encouraged to answer study sheet questions during the week and our answers to these questions will be discussed during our Sunday morning discussions. 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 (Please use "Romans Study" in the email subject line.)

Register online

trinitychurchmn.com/resources/online-registration

SUNDAY CLASS

Sermon Review & Application

Sundays, Sept. 22 - Dec. 22, 9 - 10 AM Community Center C 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 Chris Yohnke

SUNDAY CLASS

The Book of Proverbs

Sundays, Sept. 22 - Nov. 24, 9 - 10 AM Community Center A & B Adults



The Book of Proverbs teaches us how to apply divine principles to everyday life, steering us to growth and maturity in wisdom. The author, King Solomon, offers guidance not only for parents who desire to teach their kids how to avoid the path of folly but for everyone

who is seeking wisdom from God. This class will use videos and small group discussions to dig into the wisdom and application of God's Word through the Book of Proverbs.

Can a person start anytime? Yes, but those who start on Sept. 22 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 Dave or Gloria Callahan

WOMEN'S CLASS

Joshua

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



After roaming the wilderness for decades, God's people finally reached the Promised Land. But there were still obstacles that stood in their way. Securing the land God had promised them would require strength, courage, and faith.

Our story today isn't too far removed from Joshua and the Israelites. We need the same strength, courage, and faith to face the challenges in our lives. Learn what it means to faithfully follow God -- the One who fulfills all His promises.

Can a person start anytime?

Yes, but those who start on Sept. 9 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? No.

Contact Deb Binder

WOMEN'S CLASS

Philippians

Tuesdays, Sept. 10 - Dec. 10, 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 study LifeChange's Philippians. Despite being imprisoned for his beliefs, the apostle Paul writes a joyful letter to his partners in

the gospel. Paul's experiences give him authority when he challenges them to persevere in the work of Christ and when he instructs them how they can find peace and contentment in perilous times. As we read, we, too, can discover the secret of Paul's joy and experience his triumphant confidence in Christ.

Can a person start anytime?

Yes, but it is easier to start with the class on Sept. 10 as we work through the book.

What level of commitment/intensity is involved? Weekly lessons are to be completed 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

WOMEN'S CLASS

All Things New: A Study on 2 Corinthians

Tuesdays, Sept. 10 - Dec. 17, 6:30 - 8 PM (every other week) Community Center A & B



Join other women of all ages working through one of Paul's most personal letters, 2 Corinthians. The study, led by Kelly Minter, will explore the anchoring truths of bearing treasures in jars of clay, meeting Christ through a pressing thorn, opening wide your heart in

the midst of hurtful relationships and what it means to embrace the lost and lonely as ministers of the new covenant. Each of us has a message to proclaim and live by: Because of Jesus, the old has gone; the new has come.

Can a person start anytime?

You can join anytime but are encouraged to go through the entire study with the group.

What level of commitment/intensity is involved? This study uses a book which contains 5 short lessons to complete within the 2 weeks between each meeting.

Is there a book to purchase or class fee? The book is \$16 and available to purchase the first day of class.

Contact Shey Larson

AFFINITY GROUPS

Chronic Illness Support Group

Network for those with chronic illness or care for one who does. Contact Lindy Kes: lindypinkribbon@frontiernet.net

Game On for Women

Game night for women & an opportunity to invite friends. Meets Sept. 20, Oct. 25, and Nov. 22, 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 (October - April) Special Event: Men's Chili Cookoff, Sept. 20, 6:30-8 PM Contact Matt Menard



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