

Small

GROUPS



Small Groups are a great way to connect with others and grow in your faith in an authentic environment. Maybe that's why they are popular in our church family. If you've never been part of a small group before, jump right in! You'll receive a warm welcome and find friends you didn't know you had.

Joining a small group is "risk-free." Each session runs for 12 weeks, so this one winds up in May. And if you try a group and it doesn't seem like the right fit, there's no pressure to stay. We want you to find a place where you feel comfortable.

If you have questions or if none of the groups listed fit your schedule, please contact Pastor Jay at gefc1@comcast.net. We'll be happy to help you get plugged in.

SUNDAY

Leader: Bud Swanson **Time:** 6:30 pm

Topic: At times we all look for an anchor in the midst of the disconcerting events that surround us. *Living With Confidence In A Chaotic World*, a book by Dr. David Jeremiah, will help you re-establish that anchor in Christ.

Leader: Dave Carlsen **Time:** 6:30 pm

Topic: The Apostle Paul had strong criticism for many churches he wrote to...but not the Ephesians. Find out what made this church tick and explore his instructions to them further in the study of this New Testament book.

MONDAY

Contact: Lisa Szymanski **Time:** 6:30 pm

Topic: The study topic for this ladies' group will be decided together when the group convenes. One thing has already been decided though: there's sure to be stimulating discussion!

THURSDAY

Leader: Don Gustafson **Time:** 7:00 pm

Topic: One of the most thorough discussions of being reconciled to God through faith is found in the Apostle Paul's letter to the church at Rome. Enjoy an in-depth exploration of the book together with this group.

Leader: Pastor Manny Rocha **Time:** 6:30 pm

Topic: If we are honest, there is a lot in life that makes us afraid. Max Lucado's book *Fearless* will remind you of the reasons that you have for confidence in your heavenly Father.

Leader: Johanna Rocha **Time:** 9:45 am

Topic: This open daytime study for ladies continues its look at the Trusting God Through Tough Times. All are welcome - no sign-up is necessary.

SATURDAY

Leader: Christine Sjogren **Time:** 9:00 am

Topic: This ladies' study brings together the first books of the New Testament in a *Chronological Study of the Four Gospels*. Application is personal and the relationships and support in this group run deep.

Leader: John Oles **Time:** 7:30 am

Topic: For those men that are early risers even on Saturday, this time in fellowship around the Word can't be beat! Challenge yourself with God's words on confronting lust. This group is open to all and meets at church. No sign-up is necessary.

NEW!

Contact: Jared Rocha **Time:** To be Determined

Info: This new group is forming as a connection point for young adults who are entering the career phase or still working on a degree. Contact Jared Rocha directly. This will be a great place to tackle the expanding challenges of life together!

Leader: Martin Bazi **Time:** Friday, 7:30 pm

Info: This group formed through the Friday night Assyrian fellowship that meets at GEFC. Enthusiasm for the group is growing as they study the Scriptures together, and so are their numbers! Contact Martin Bazi directly.