

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Psalm 119:105

Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates. Deuteronomy 6:4-9



Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; but their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night. Psalm 1:1-2

My child, if you accept my words and treasure up my commandments within you, making your ear attentive to wisdom and inclining your heart to understanding; if you indeed cry out for insight, and raise your voice for understanding; if you seek it like silver, and search for it as for hidden treasures— then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God. Proverbs 2: 1-5

All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. II Timothy 3:16-17

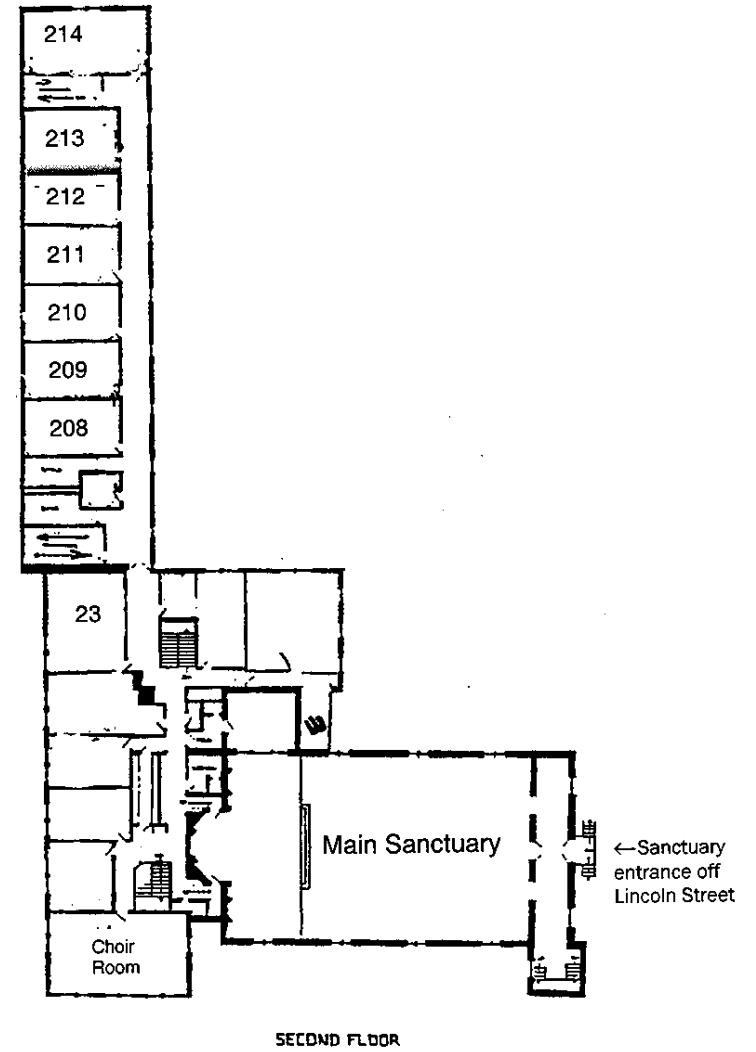
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## Why Adult Christian Education?

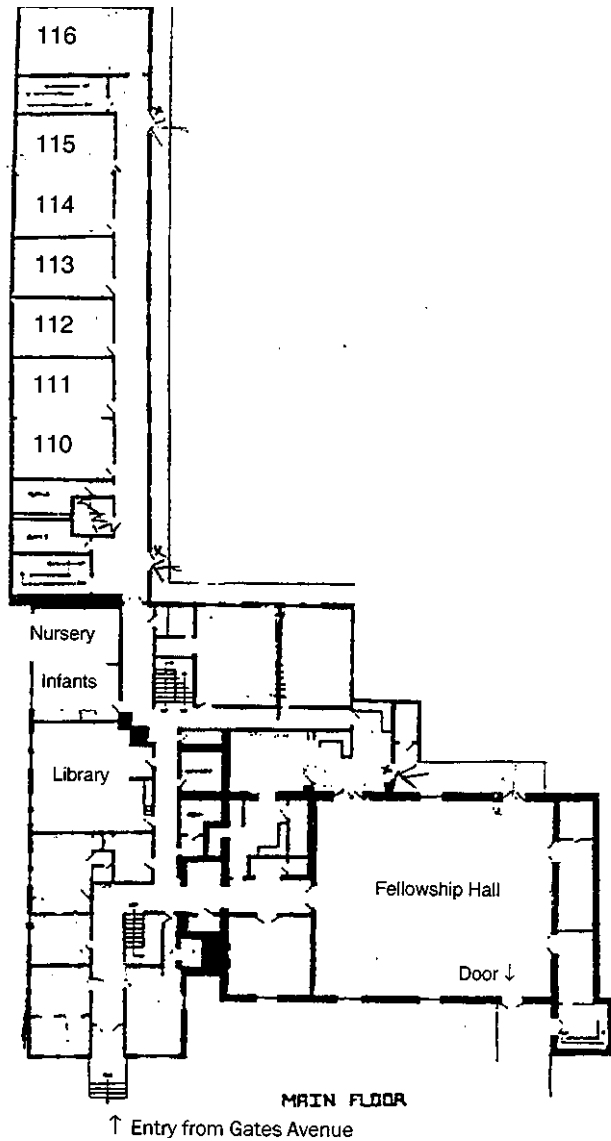
Ever since the serpent said to Eve in the garden, “Did God actually say...?”, we as humans have been contending with God’s Word and what God really means.



Come and join an environment of learning where God’s Word is faithfully studied and shared. (from FPC Vision Statement)



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## Special Classes

### Parenting Today: From Caretaker to Consultant

Facilitator: Ginna Siniard  
 Dates: Sundays, January 17, 24 and 31  
 Times: 4 PM to 6 PM



Child Care will be provided. **Registration is requested.**  
*Sign up on the bulletin board or call the church office.*

We as Christian parents want to transition with our children as they are growing from toddlers to children to pre-teens to teenagers. We want our children to become "God dependent" rather than "parent dependent" by the time they leave the nest. As Jesus "grew in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and men" (Luke 2:52), we can help our little ones do that as well, God's way. This workshop offers practical ways to bring up your school-aged children and is offered to all parents. Visitors are welcome.

### Love and Respect: A Marriage Enrichment Class

Facilitator: Judge William (Billy) Bell  
 Dates: Sundays, February 14 to March 7  
 Times: 3 PM to 4:30 PM  
 Cost: \$10/couple (book purchase)  
*Payable at the first class.*



Child Care will be provided. **Registration is requested.**  
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Marriage is an energizing cycle of respect and love. Based on the book "Love and Respect" by Dr. Emerson Eggerichs, this class uses DVDs and Judge Bell's own personal witness to help participants learn more about good communication. Judge Bell is committed to helping marriages succeed in our community. Topics to be covered include marital conflict, irritations and tension. This class is appropriate for all ages and all marriages—newlyweds to 75 years of wedded bliss! Visitors are welcome.

## Other Bible Studies

Patriarchs, a women's Bible study by Beth Moore. Meets Wednesdays, 9:30 AM to 12 noon in the Carriage House. Suzanne Matthews, leading. Contact Ann Laue for more information at 650-3191.

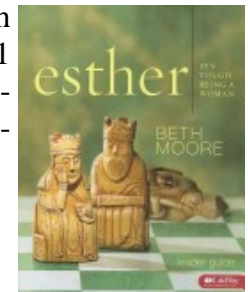


The Old Testament, a video series by Amy-Jill Levine. This women's Bible study begins at 9:45 AM on Wednesday mornings in the church library. Contact Reba Paludan for more information at 533-6056.



Lectionary Text Discussion, held Wednesday mornings at 7 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Breakfast is served on the first Wednesday of each month. Contact Jeff Kyser for more information at 539-5428.

Esther, a women's Bible study by Beth Moore. Meets Friday mornings at 11 AM in the Carriage House. Contact Angie Servick for more information at 882-2232.



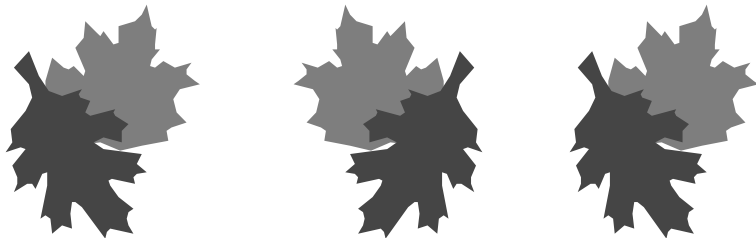
## Ongoing Nurture Opportunities

### Disciple Bible Studies



### BECOMING DISCIPLES THROUGH BIBLE STUDY

Currently there are eight ongoing Disciple Bible Studies, each meeting according to the class' chosen days and times. The Disciple Bible Study is a 32-34 week study. Disciple I, *Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study*, covers an overview of the entire Bible; Disciple II, *Into The Word, Into the World*, covers Genesis—Exodus and Luke—Acts; Disciple III, *Remember Who You Are*, covers Old Testament prophets and the letters of Paul; *Disciple IV, Under the Tree of Life*, covers Old Testament writings and books of the New Testament including the gospel of John 1, 2, and 3, John, James, Jude and Revelation. Disciple classes begin each fall. Please contact Frances Kyser at 539-5428 or Amy Stucky at 536-0056 for more information.



## Regular Sunday School Classes

### Bereans

Room 211  
Ginna Siniard

This class is currently studying the book of Acts, and learning about the role of the Holy Spirit in the life of the early church, and more importantly, in our lives today. This class, which welcomes all ages, enjoys in-depth discussion and works on applying what we learn to our lives.

### Bible 101

Fellowship Hall  
Dr. Mark Mueller, Rev. Laura Stephens-Reed

This class will be discussion-oriented; no prior experience with the Bible is necessary! We will focus initially upon Paul's letter to the church at Ephesus, finding wonderful insights from this ancient letter into our lives today.

### College/Young Adults

Room 114-115  
Gwen Kyser, Laura Kyser

The initial spring study in this class for young adults is "Galatian Nation." This class will emphasize group discussion, going through the book of Galatians, using an outline by Timothy Keller. This class seeks to better equip college students and young adults to handle the pressures they face every day, through an obedient walk with Jesus Christ.

### Comrades

Room 116  
Bill Lummus

Using the PC(USA) curriculum, The Present Word, this class will study about "Christ, the Fulfillment" in the gospel of Matthew, focusing on Jesus as Messiah. Later in the spring, the class will study "Teachings on Community", using references from the books of Jonah, Ruth, and portions of the New Testament. This class includes many senior adults, but all are welcome.

**Genesis**

Room 212  
Tish Hammer

Through an emphasis on group discussion, this class, which targets singles and couples in their 30's, takes a closer look at the Bible, its people, and its impact on our culture to enliven our homes and families. This spring we will examine our Reformed faith heritage.

**Healing**

Room 213  
Jim and Martha Barnett

Currently in their second year of training, this class uses materials from the Order of St. Luke "Going Deeper." For more information, contact Jim or Martha Barnett at 776-2937.

**Hilleclimbers**

Room 214  
John Loflin, Amy Stucky

This class will begin a thirteen-week study on the gospel of John. Geared to those in their 30's and 40's this class, which emphasizes group discussion, studies the Bible to encourage discipleship and faithfulness to God's call upon our lives.

**Inquirers**

Library  
Dr. Mark Mueller, Rev. Laura Stephens-Reed

On January 31, February 7 and 14 the pastoral staff will offer an introduction to the Christian faith, the denomination, and First Presbyterian Church. If you are considering joining FPC or just have an inquiring mind come to this class and bring all your questions.

**Seminar**

Room 113  
Rev. Charles Danner

This class makes use of the works of well-known scholars in Bible, theology and church history. The class is more academic than devotional or doctrinal. Brief lectures, reading, and group discussion assist a learning atmosphere which encourages the free expression of ideas and feelings. Currently the class is studying the gospels Matthew, Luke and John guided by Eric Lane Titus' Essentials of New Testament Study.

**Harry B Wade**

Room 23  
Drew and Leslie Lockhart

This spring this discussion-based class will read and discuss Enough by Adam Hamilton. This book focuses on living lives of simplicity and generosity. Many members of this class have school-age children, although all are welcome.

**Wilson-Chapman**

Room 112  
David Baer-Peckham, Dag Rowe

This class strives to understand the bible both in its historical context and as it relates to our lives today. For the spring this class will begin with a study of the book of Titus, followed by a study of predestination. Group discussion is encouraged and all ages are welcome to attend.

**Mamie B. Wise**

Room 110-111  
Bill Johnson

Using lecture and discussion, this class studies books of the Bible. For the spring the books of Esther and Job will be examined. The class is made up mostly of retirement-age people, but all are welcome.