

SUNDAY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Sundays, 9:30 - 10:20 a.m., in the Parlor

FREEING JESUS:

Rediscovering Jesus as Friend, Teacher, Savior, Lord, Way, and Presence

by Diana Butler Bass

- ❖ **September 12**
INTRODUCTION - *Liberate Jesus*
Friend
- ❖ **September 19**
Teacher
- ❖ **September 26**
Savior (pp. 65-89)
- ❖ **October 3**
Savior (pp. 89-113)
- ❖ **October 10**
Lord (pp. 115-138)
- ❖ **October 17**
Lord (pp. 138-160)
- ❖ **October 24**
Way (pp. 161-184)
- ❖ **October 31**
Gifts Festival Breakfast (no class)
- ❖ **November 7**
Way (pp. 184-215)
- ❖ **November 14**
Presence (pp. 217-241)
- ❖ **November 21**
Presence (pp. 241-256)
CONCLUSION - *The Universal Jesus*
- ❖ **November 28**
Advent Wreath Making (no class)

SERMON ON THE MOUNT:

A Beginner's Guide to the Kingdom of Heaven

by Amy-Jill Levine

- ❖ **December 5**
INTRODUCTION
The Beatitudes
- ❖ **December 12**
The Extensions
- ❖ **December 19**
Practicing Piety
- ❖ **December 26**
Christmas Holiday (no class)
- ❖ **January 2**
Christmas Holiday (no class)
- ❖ **January 9**
Our Father
- ❖ **January 16**
Finding Your Treasure
- ❖ **January 23**
Living Into the Kingdom
AFTERWORD

PAUL THE PROGRESSIVE?

The Compassionate Christian's Guide to Reclaiming the Apostle as an Ally

by Eric C. Smith

- ❖ **January 30**
Hating Paul (An Introduction)
- ❖ **February 6**
Paul the Misogynist
- ❖ **February 13**
Paul the Homophobe
- ❖ **February 20**
Paul the Anti-Semite
- ❖ **February 27**
Paul the Prude
- ❖ **March 6**
Paul the Slavery Apologist
- ❖ **March 13**
Paul the Xenophobe
- ❖ **March 20**
Paul the Debt and Guilt Monger
- ❖ **March 27**
Paul the Hijacker (A Conclusion)

THE WISDOM PATTERN

Order | Disorder | Reorder

by Richard Rohr

Part One: The Current Dilemma

- ❖ **April 3**
The Postmodern Opportunity
- ❖ **April 10**
Beyond Victimhood
- ❖ **April 17**
Easter Day (no class)
- ❖ **April 24**
Great Awakenings
- ❖ **May 1**
Transformation

- ❖ **May 8**
The Cosmic Egg of Meaning
Cleaning Our Lenses

Part Two: Finding a Third Way

- ❖ **May 15**
What Is Your Window on Reality?
The Great Chain of Being
The Power of Forgiveness
- ❖ **May 22**
Limits Are Good Teachers
Living with Shadow
A Reconstructionist Creed



PASTOR'S INFORMATION CLASSES

This one-session class is designed for those who would like to learn more about the Lutheran Church. Join us for an overview of Lutheran Church history, theology, liturgy, the church year, ecclesiology, and life at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

Sundays, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., in the Parlor

September 12

November 7

March 6

May 22

July 17

JEWISH-CHRISTIAN TEXT STUDIES

2:00 - 3:30 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall
January 23 & January 30

Join Rabbi Michael Gillette and Pastor Roberts for this interfaith learning opportunity.

MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Mondays, 7:00 - 8:15 p.m., via Zoom

DREAMS THAT SHAPED THE CHURCH AND OTHER FASCINATING THINGS ABOUT DREAMS

- ❖ **September 13**
Breaking News: Latest Research on Dreams
- ❖ **September 20**
*Explaining Those Unexplainable
Coincidences and How They Relate
to Dreams*
- ❖ **September 27**
*The Greek Understanding of Dreams
and Why We Need to Know It*
- ❖ **October 4**
*Dreams of the New Testament:
Mary, Joseph, Gabriel, and the Birth of Jesus*
- ❖ **October 11**
*Dreams of the New Testament:
Peter and Cornelius*
- ❖ **October 18**
*Dreams of the New Testament:
Book of Acts*
- ❖ **October 25**
*Dreams of the New Testament:
The Conversion of Paul*
- ❖ **November 1**
*The Church Comes of Age:
Constantine and His Victory*
- ❖ **November 8**
Jerome, The Scholar
- ❖ **November 15**
*A Saint Receives Certainty:
Theresa of Lisieux*

THE INVENTION OF HEAVEN AND HELL

- ❖ **January 3**
*The Real Issue Behind our Need
for a Heaven and Hell*
- ❖ **January 10**
*Guided Tours of Heaven and Hell;
They Are Not the Same*
- ❖ **January 17**
*Visions of Heaven and Hell – The Martyred
Perpetua and A Murdered Woman*
- ❖ **January 24**
The Fear of Death

- ❖ **January 31**
The Resurrection in Ancient Israel
- ❖ **February 7**
Eternal Life NOW – Why Wait for the Resurrection?
- ❖ **February 14**
The Afterlife according to Jesus and Paul

- ❖ **February 21**
The Resurrection of the Body
- ❖ **February 28**
Revisiting Revelation
- ❖ **March 7**
Who Will Get the Blessing and What Will it Be?

TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m., in the Parlor

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN

- ❖ **September 7**
What is Jesus' Relationship with God? (John 1:1-18)
- ❖ **September 21**
How Is It Possible for Us to Be in Relationship with God? (John 3:1-21)
- ❖ **October 5**
What Does It Mean that Jesus is the "Bread of Life"? (John 6:25-59)
- ❖ **October 19**
Who Can See Jesus? (John 9:1-41)
- ❖ **November 2**
What Does It Mean that Jesus Is the "Resurrection and the Life"? (John 11:1-44)
- ❖ **November 16**
What Does It Mean to Be a Disciple of Jesus? (John 13:1-35)
- ❖ **January 4**
How Does Jesus Want His Disciples to Relate to the World? (John 17:1-26)
- ❖ **January 18**
How Does Jesus' Relationship with His Disciples Continue? (John 20:11-31)

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE JESUS KIND: STUDIES IN LUKE

- ❖ **February 1**
Jesus Is Close to Those Estranged by Grief (Luke 7:11-17)
- ❖ **February 15**
Jesus Is Close to Those Estranged by Resentment (Luke 7:36-8:3)
- ❖ **March 1**
Jesus Is Close to Those Estranged by Fear (Luke 8:26-39)
- ❖ **March 15**
Jesus Is Close to Those Estranged by God's Distance (Luke 9:51-62)
- ❖ **March 29**
*Jesus Is Close to Those Seeking the Estranged (Luke 10:1-11, 16-20)
Jesus Is Close to Those Learning from the Estranged (Luke 10:25-37)*

TABLE TALK

Tuesdays, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., in the Parlor

MAKING SENSE OF MARTIN LUTHER

- ❖ **September 21**
*The Reluctant Reformer – Introducing
“the Monk Who Changed the World”*
- ❖ **October 19**
Freedom! Justification by Grace through Faith
- ❖ **November 16**
The Present-Tense God – Law and Gospel
- ❖ **January 11**
*The Ambidextrous God – The Two Kingdoms
and God’s Ongoing Work in the World*
- ❖ **February 15**
*Called for Good – Vocation, Sinning
Boldly, and the Respiratory System of the
Body Of Christ*
- ❖ **March 15**
*God Hidden and Revealed – Luther’s
Theology of the Cross and the Sacraments*
- ❖ **April 5**
*Semper Simul – Sin, Forgiveness, and
“Becoming Christian”*

FALL AND WINTER SEMINAR

Wednesdays, 5:45 - 7:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall

BEYOND BELIEF:

A Marcus Borg Retrospective

- ❖ **September 29**
Centered in the Spirit
- ❖ **October 6**
Meeting Jesus Again
- ❖ **October 13**
Followers of The Way
- ❖ **February 2**
Reading the Bible
- ❖ **February 9**
An Emerging Way
- ❖ **February 16**
Beyond Belief

THURSDAY DISCUSSION GROUP

Thursdays, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., in the Parlor

EMBRACING A LIFE OF MEANING

Kathleen Norris on Discovering What Matters

- ❖ **October 14**
Belief Matters
- ❖ **October 21**
The Bible Matters
- ❖ **October 28**
Community Matters
- ❖ **November 4**
Place Matters
- ❖ **November 11**
We Matter

EMBRACING AN ALTERNATIVE ORTHODOXY

Richard Rohr on the Legacy of Saint Francis

- ❖ **February 17**
Atonement Theory
- ❖ **February 24**
Eco-Spirituality
- ❖ **March 3**
The Cosmic Christ
- ❖ **March 10**
Orthopraxy vs. Orthodoxy
- ❖ **March 17**
Mysticism over Moralism

FRIDAY BREAKFAST SERIES

Friday mornings

A light breakfast is served at 7:00 a.m.

Program, 7:15 - 7:45 a.m.

PAINTING THE STARS

Science, Religion, and an Evolving Faith

- ❖ **November 5**
Toward Healing the Rift
- ❖ **November 12**
A Renaissance of Wonder
- ❖ **November 19**
Getting Genesis Wrong
- ❖ **February 4**
An Evolving Faith
- ❖ **February 11**
Evolutionary Christianity
- ❖ **February 18**
Imagining a Future
- ❖ **February 25**
An Evolving Spirituality: Mysticism

FRIDAY MORNING BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Fridays, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., in the Parlor

***THE MAKING OF BIBLICAL WOMANHOOD:
How the Subjugation of Women Became Gospel Truth***
by Beth Allison Barr

- ❖ **September 10**
INTRODUCTION
The Beginning of Patriarchy
- ❖ **September 17**
*What If Biblical Womanhood Doesn't
Come From Paul?*
- ❖ **September 24**
Our Selective Medieval Memory
- ❖ **October 1**
*The Cost of the Reformation for
Evangelical Women*
- ❖ **October 8**
Writing Women Out of the English Bible
- ❖ **October 15**
Sanctifying Subordination
- ❖ **October 22**
Making Biblical Womanhood Gospel Truth
- ❖ **October 29**
Isn't It Time to Set Women Free?

***THE CALL TO UNITE:
Voices of Hope and Awakening***
edited by Tim Shriver and Tom Rosshirt

- ❖ **November 5**
Love in the Madness: Stories of the Pandemic
- ❖ **November 12**
Pain Always Leaves a Gift: Insights for Personal Change (pp. 35-60)
- ❖ **November 19**
Pain Always Leaves a Gift: Insights for Personal Change (pp. 60-81)
- ❖ **January 7**
Magic Enters the Room: Stories and Practices of Transformation (pp. 85-107)
- ❖ **January 14**
Magic Enters the Room: Stories and Practices of Transformation (pp. 107-127)
- ❖ **January 21**
The Boundaries are Real: Seeing Unity in Humanity
- ❖ **January 28**
Our Only Chance to Triumph: Love in Action
- ❖ **February 4**
Renew the Face of the Earth: A Call to Love
EPILOGUE

THE WISDOM JESUS:

Transforming Heart and Mind – A New Perspective on Christ and His Message

by Cynthia Bourgeault

THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS

- ❖ **February 11**
Jesus as a Recognition Event
Jesus in Context
- ❖ **February 18**
“The Kingdom of Heaven Is with You”
The Path of Metanoia
- ❖ **February 25**
A Gospel of Thomas Sampler
Kenosis: The Path of Self-Emptying Love
Jesus as Tantric Master

THE MYSTERIES OF JESUS

- ❖ **March 4**
The Incarnation
The Passion
- ❖ **March 11**
Crucifixion and Its Aftermath
The Great Easter Fast

CHRISTIAN WISDOM PRACTICES

- ❖ **March 18**
Centering Prayer Meditation
Lectio Divina
Chanting and Psalmody
- ❖ **March 25**
Welcoming
Eucharist

