

DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES AT HELENA UMC

This Fall, you have many great options for Discipleship classes — from long-term groups to short-term book studies to drop-in opportunities. We will have a registration table in the narthex on two Sunday mornings — August 22 and August 29 — or you can register for any of these classes by emailing Rev. Wes Savage at wsavage@helenaumc.org.

***Please note: Some of our groups may elect to meet outside in the church parking lot or via Zoom.*

THE CLASS MEETING: Reclaiming a Forgotten (and Essential) Small Group Experience

Pastor Rusty will lead a class on growing disciples of Jesus. Rusty has been using this model for over 30 years and says, "This is an amazing experience. Jesus always shows up. To those who give themselves to this, they will learn to live with a new awareness of the Holy Spirit's movement in and through them." It was a key tool in the early Methodist growth. It can happen again. Come learn the history of John Wesley's class meeting and how to use it today. Our book is "The Class Meeting: Reclaiming a Forgotten (and Essential) Small Group Experience," by Kevin M. Watson.

WHEN: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

FACILITATOR: Pastor Rusty Tate

FOCUS: How One Word A Week Will Transform Your Life — Drop-in Class

What if we shifted our thoughts from the things we aren't getting right toward making one good change a week? By placing our FOCUS on one biblical word each week, this 8-week study will encourage us to seek a life free from perfectionism and more attuned to our love for God and for others.

WHEN: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

FACILITATORS: Michelle Hall & Heather Simmons

THE PARABLES OF JESUS — Drop-in Class

This drop-in class will study "The Parables of Jesus." Jesus communicated deep spiritual truths through simple and engaging stories. Woven from the stuff of everyday life, the Parables made the kingdom of God understandable and accessible to his listeners. This DVD-led study will give you new insights that will help you to appreciate more fully their relevance for your life.

WHEN: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

FACILITATOR: Steve Shadix

THE MISSION OF JESUS: Triumph of God's Kingdom in a World of Chaos

Join renowned teacher and historian Ray Vander Laan as he guides you through the land of the Bible. Each lesson in this 5-week study illuminates the historical, geographical and cultural context of the sacred scriptures. In this study you'll deepen your understanding of Jesus' passionate revelation to a broken world God longs to redeem ... and it will transform your understanding of God and challenge you to be a true follower of Jesus.

WHEN: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

FACILITATORS: Bruce Dooley & Kelly Collins

GUYS' BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Bible Study class is open to all men of the church and meets weekly. This is an every-week class and we will be looking at new books in the next few weeks. The Bible study is a great opportunity for the men of our church to come together and learn more about the Bible, themselves and to develop connections with other men of the church.

WHEN: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

FACILITATOR: Brandon Baker

YOUNG COUPLES GROUP

This group is for young families and couples who want to fellowship with others and learn more about faith through Bible study. The group will utilize various studies throughout the year.

WHEN: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

FACILITATORS: Wes & Laney Savage

THE SIGNATURE OF JESUS

This Wednesday evening class will study the book "The Signature of Jesus." The book is focused on "the reality of God's love and grace." It also talks about what our response should be, which is a "radical obedience in living out the gospel as Jesus did."

WHEN: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

FACILITATOR: Norman Patty

****NOTE: PLEASE SEE THE BACK OF THIS PAGE FOR MORE CLASS LISTINGS!**

JESUS IN THE GOSPELS

“Jesus in the Gospels” is a second-generation study in the tradition of “Disciple” Bible Studies. In this 31-week study, together we will explore the various portraits of Jesus depicted in the gospels. As with all “Disciple” studies, there will be input from the Scriptures, from the study book, from video-presenters, from the facilitator, and from class discussions.

WHEN: Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

FACILITATOR: Rev. Ted Peterson

BE THE BRIDGE

The class will work through the Bible-based book “Be The Bridge: Pursuing God’s Heart for Racial Reconciliation” by Latasha Morrison. This 10-week study offers a call for Christians to move toward relationship and deeper understanding in the midst of a divisive culture. Bridge builders start with a foundation that includes understanding themselves, the issues, and others who are different from them.

WHEN: Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

FACILITATORS: Jay & Kathryn Reeves

CHRISTIAN BELIEVER

The “Christian Believer” program, part of Disciple Bible Studies, focuses on classical teachings of the Christian faith — presenting, explaining and interpreting them in a way that participants can understand — using words, symbols and hymns. Over a 30-week period, participants will examine the writings of ancient and modern Christian commentators and view video presentations by leading Bible scholars.

WHEN: Sundays at 3 p.m.

FACILITATOR: Steve Shadix

MORNING GLORIES

Morning Glories meets the first Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. At our first meeting we will discuss speakers and plans for the upcoming year. All ladies of the church are welcome.

WHEN: First Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. after first meeting of Fall, which will be held on Sept. 8

FACILITATOR: Cheryl Bell