

# COUNTRY & TOWN BAPTIST CHURCH

LOVING | GROWING | SHARING | SERVING

Winter 2022-2023

# ADULT



220 GETTYSBURG PIKE  
MECHANICSBURG, PA 17055  
717.697.6687 • [WWW.CTBC.ORG](http://WWW.CTBC.ORG)

# LIFE GROUPS

---

Life Groups meet on a weekly basis for teaching, fellowship, caring, ministry, and prayer. Our goal is a real sense of community resulting in life transformation.

## **Sunday Mornings at 9:00 & 10:30am**

Life Groups meet for approximately one hour throughout the year. Since these groups are offered at two different times, you may choose to attend either Worship Service (9:00 or 10:30am) and still be able to attend a Life Group during the opposite time period. Children's classes (Nursery-Grade 5) are offered at 9:00am. Youth classes (grades 6-12) are offered at 9:00am.

## **During the Week**

Additional groups meet through the week. You will find them listed in this brochure.

It is our sincere prayer that every person attending Country & Town will find themselves involved in one of the Life Groups offered. We encourage you to try several groups until you find the one that meets your specific needs.

Life Group Coordinator  
Pastor Eric Helton  
717.697.6687 ext 817  
[ehelton@ctbc.org](mailto:ehelton@ctbc.org)



# 9:00AM SUNDAY MORNING

---



## ***Deuteronomy***

**Emerging Young Adults (ages 18-20s), Room 15 (lower level),**

**9:00am**

**Teacher: Joe Cheng**

All young adults are invited to join us.

Unlike the unconditional covenant God made with Abraham, the covenant between Yahweh and Israel was bilateral—a two-way street. God would keep His promise to bless the nation if the people remained faithful. The adult Israelites were too young to have participated in the first covenant ceremony at Mount Sinai. Therefore, Moses reviewed the Law at the doorstep to the Promised Land, urging this new generation to re-covenant with Yahweh, to recommit themselves to His ways. Join us as we see how God related to the Israelites and similarly how He relates to us today.



## ***Bible Studies for Life: Adults***

**Grace Class (Ladies), Room 19 (lower level), 9:00am**

**This hybrid class meets in person and via Zoom.**

**Teacher: Jane Koppenheffer ([jkoppenheffer@gmail.com](mailto:jkoppenheffer@gmail.com))**

Bible Studies for Life is designed to help adult groups make disciples through comprehensive, in-depth Bible study.

The winter studies are *Putting Fear in Its Place*, which will help us embrace an appropriate fear of God while facing the fears of this world, and *How to Discern the Voice of God*, which will show us how to recognize God's voice among myriad others that vie for our attention. A special focus session for Sanctity of Human Life Sunday titled *Valued by God* is also included.

Please join us! Email Jane for the Zoom link.

# 9:00AM SUNDAY MORNING

---



## ***Bible Studies for Life: Adults***

**Mixed Adults, Room 114, 9:00am**

**This hybrid class meets in person and via Zoom.**

**Teacher: Dan Troxell (djtroxell@comcast.net)**

Bible Studies for Life is designed to help adult groups make disciples through comprehensive, in-depth Bible study. Bible Studies for Life is designed to help adult groups make disciples through comprehensive, in-depth Bible study.

The winter studies are *Putting Fear in Its Place*, which will help us embrace an appropriate fear of God while facing the fears of this world, and *How to Discern the Voice of God*, which will show us how to recognize God's voice among myriad others that vie for our attention. A special focus session for Sanctity of Human Life Sunday titled *Valued by God* is also included.

Please join us! Email Dan for the Zoom link.



## ***Hosea***

**Mixed Adults, Fellowship Hall 1, 9:00am**

**Teacher: Bruce Anderson**



**Teacher: Brian Kreutzer**

God sent Hosea to Israel during the reign of King Jeroboam II to communicate God's despair over their perpetual idol worship and dependence on outside nations. Though the people failed to be faithful covenant partners to God, his commitment to them remained. God did not forget Israel even in their self-destruction. There was still hope.

We welcome couples and individuals of all ages.

# 9:00AM SUNDAY MORNING

---



***Behold Your God: Rethinking God Biblically***  
**Median Adults, Room 201, 9:00am**  
**Teacher: Dave McDonald**

*Behold Your God* is “born out of a desire to see the glory of God manifested among His people.” The church in the United States faces a huge obstacle – indifference. People are worshipping a “God” of their own imagination. “The greatest need of the church and the world is to be reintroduced to the One who cannot give us anything better than Himself.”

Please join us! Room 201 is behind the sound booth in the balcony.

# 10:30AM SUNDAY MORNING

---



**TBD** (To be determined)  
**JOY Class (Ladies), Room 107, 10:30am**  
**Teacher: Mary Alaimo**

TBD (To be determined)



***1 Corinthians***  
**Advanced Bible Study (Mixed Adults), Fellowship Hall 1,**  
**10:30am**  
**Teacher: Bill Scott**

The apostle Paul founded the church in Corinth. A few years after leaving the church, Paul heard some disturbing reports about the Corinthian church. They were full of pride and were excusing sexual immorality. Spiritual gifts were being used improperly, and there was rampant misunderstanding of key Christian doctrines. The apostle Paul wrote his first letter to the Corinthians in an attempt to restore the Corinthian church to its foundation-Jesus Christ. Likewise, God is calling us today to return to our foundations in Christ.

# 10:30AM SUNDAY MORNING

---



***Unlocking the Mysteries of Genesis***  
**Mixed Adults, Room 114, 10:30am**  
**Teacher: Art Frank**

How did life begin? Where did humans come from? Was Noah's Flood real? How old is the earth? *Unlocking the Mysteries of Genesis*, developed by the Institute for Creation Research, supports a biblical worldview with empirical scientific evidence and offers defensible answers to some of the most provocative and controversial questions of faith and science.

All adults are welcome to join us.



***Explore the Bible: John 1-11***  
**Mixed Adults, 10:30am, Fellowship Hall 2**  
**This hybrid class meets in person and via Zoom.**  
**Teacher: Fran Burkholder**



**Teacher: Ross Cleveland ([clevemail.rc@gmail.com](mailto:clevemail.rc@gmail.com))**

God doesn't just want us to read His Word, He wants us to know it and live its truth. That's why *Explore the Bible: Adults* takes groups book by book through Scripture, framing every passage in its appropriate biblical and cultural context.

This winter, we'll study John 1–11. Every miraculous sign and every powerful sermon John recorded pointed toward Christ and His offer of eternal life. That's why, even today, readers continue to connect deeply with John's Gospel—and with the Savior his Gospel reveals.

Email Ross for the Zoom link.

# SUNDAY EVENING

---



**Pastor's Bible Study**  
**Mixed Adults, 6:30pm, Chapel in the Children's Suite**  
**Teacher: Pastor Todd**

We will begin with a short cooperate worship led by our Youth at 6:00pm in the Chapel.

# TUESDAY MORNING

---



**The King's Daughters (Ladies)**  
***Steadfast Love, a Study of Psalm 107* by Lauren Chandler &**  
***Gideon: Your Weakness, God's Strength* by Pricilla Shirer**  
**10:00am, Room 107 (Library)**

**This hybrid class meets in person and via Zoom.**

**Teacher: June Pierce ([junepierce05@gmail.com](mailto:junepierce05@gmail.com))**

**Teacher: Roseann Hester ([rph0520@yahoo.com](mailto:rph0520@yahoo.com))**



All ladies are invited to join us beginning January 10

*Steadfast Love* - Psalm 107 begins "Oh give thanks to the Lord for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever!"

When we are tired, or thirsty, or imprisoned in our own chains through our own devices or caught in the waves of a tumultuous sea. This is when God shows us His steadfast love as He faithfully responds to the cries of our heart and demonstrates his limitless steadfast love. Witness how God delights in setting us free, turning darkness into light and bringing the dead to life.

*Gideon: Your Weakness, God's Strength* - In this story from Judges 6, Gideon is called upon to save the people of Israel by leading them against the Midianites. This scripture focuses on the common theme of apostasy. The people of Israel had done "what was evil in the sight of the Lord, and the Lord gave them into the hand of Midian." When the people of Israel realized the error of their ways and cried out to the Lord for help, a prophet judge was sent to deliver them as they had been rescued from Egypt.

When we hear the name Gideon, most of us think about 300 valiant soldiers or a fleece spread beneath the evening sky. This is a story about God's love for His people and how he chooses even the weakest and most unlikely individual to accomplish heroic deeds against all odds.

Email June or Roseann for the Zoom link.

# TUESDAY MORNING

---



***Explore the Bible: Study in the Gospel of John***  
**Retired Men, 10:00am, Fellowship Hall 1**  
**This hybrid class meets in person and via Zoom.**  
**Teacher: Jack Hester (717.253.3835)**



**Teacher: Dave Pierce (717.487.0936)**



**Teacher: John Transue ([john@johntransue.com](mailto:john@johntransue.com))**

All men are welcome to join us in Bible study and fellowship each Tuesday morning via Zoom where we will share the praises and the prayer needs of our family and friends.

We are studying, in 13 sessions, the *New Testament Gospel of John*, chapters 1-11. John's Gospel is not a life story of Christ, as is found in the 3 Synoptic Gospels; Mathew, Mark and Luke. John's Gospel is a powerful argument for the incarnation and is a conclusive demonstration that Jesus was and is the very heaven-sent Son of God, the source of eternal life. John discloses Jesus' identity with his very first words, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." Jesus was with God in the beginning and the rest of the book continues with that theme. In every chapter Jesus' deity is revealed by John. The Apostle John, the eyewitness, chose eight of Jesus' miracles/signs to reveal His divine/human nature and His life giving mission. In our study, we will look at each of these signs. And of course, the greatest sign is the resurrection. John provides a stirring eyewitness account of finding the empty tomb.

Join us as we uncover the true identity of Jesus as the Word, the One and Only, Lamb of God, true bread, the resurrection and the vine.

## TUESDAY EVENING

---



***Women on Mission (4th Tuesday)***

**Women, Fellowship Hall 1, 6:30-8:00pm**

**Teacher: Fanny Grote (717.713.5378 or [fannygrote@aol.com](mailto:fannygrote@aol.com))**

This group is for women who have a real passion to see missions supported and expanded around the world. We meet the fourth Tuesday evening of the month for teaching about missions, for prayer, and to provide tangible support for missionaries. We will also pray for and minister to each member of our group. We are excited about the potential to truly make a global impact for the Kingdom in the days to come.

## TUESDAY EVENING

---



***Minor Prophets: Jonah***

**Mixed Adults, 7:00pm via Zoom**

**Teacher: Brian Kreutzer ([briankreutzer@comcast.net](mailto:briankreutzer@comcast.net))**

In part, Jonah is a story about the mercy of God to a people who did not deserve his mercy. It's about someone's struggle to understand how God could care for and love people who did not know him. On a human level, we may want to limit God's grace to those whom we think really deserve it. But God's love is wider than that. It is universal, and even includes people we may not like. The book also teaches us about God's sovereignty and our obedience. When we try to go in the opposite direction from God's way, then God may go to extraordinary lengths to get our attention.

Everyone is welcome just email Brian for the Zoom link.

# WEDNESDAY MORNING

---



## ***Romans***

**Men, 6:30-7:30am, via Zoom**

**Teacher: Eric David ([ericjeanne@comcast.net](mailto:ericjeanne@comcast.net))**

The book of Romans was Paul's greatest literary achievement; a majestic letter in which the apostle expounds on crucial doctrines such as original sin, election, substitutionary atonement, the role of the law, and justification by faith alone. Join us as we plumb the theological depths as Paul recounts the history of salvation and illuminates the glories of the cross.

Email Eric for the Zoom link.



**Sewing Servants, Fellowship Hall, 10:00am**

**2nd & 4th Wednesdays**

**Host: Mary Chambers**



**Host: Susann Jones**

We serve the Lord with our hands using our talents to provide comfort to the church body, community, and for missions.

If you like to sew we would love for you to join us.

# WEDNESDAY EVENING

---



## ***Prayer Meeting***

**Mixed Adults, 6:00-7:00pm, Room 114**

**This hybrid class meets in person and via Zoom**

**Host: Jim Atwell ([jimbatwell@yahoo.com](mailto:jimbatwell@yahoo.com))**

Join us as we meet in person and via Zoom to pray for all aspects of our lives.

Email Jim for the Zoom link.

## THURSDAY MORNING

---



**Ladies Bible Study, 9:30am via Zoom**  
***The Power of a Praying Woman* by Stormie Omartian**  
**Teacher: Kathy Transue (ktransue1@hotmail.com)**

God desires us to come to Him daily and develop a close relationship with us. He wants us to speak with Him as well as having us listen to His gentle whisper. Issues such as drawing closer to God, how to control our mind, being blessed in our relationships, making right decisions, how to have heart felt communication with God, being changed into the likeness of Christ and many others will be discussed. There is a book as well as a study guide with weekly assignments. This study will go from Sept 8 until May 2023 via Zoom.

Email Kathy for the Zoom link.

## THURSDAY EVENING

---



***Hosea***  
**Emerging Young Adults (ages 18-20s), 7:00pm, via Zoom**  
**Teacher: Joe Cheng (jlchng8@comcast.net)**

In the book of Hosea, God sent Hosea to Israel during the reign of King Jeroboam II to communicate God's despair over their perpetual idol worship and dependence on outside nations. Though the people failed to be faithful covenant partners to God, his commitment to them remained. The circumstances around the time of Hosea is not dissimilar than events today. As we walk through this book, we will see how God remains faithful to His people and calls them to remain faithful to Him.

Email Joe for the Zoom link.