

# ●INSPIRE●

## Bible Studies

Sunday Adult Bible Study  
Sunday Genesis Bible Study  
Wednesday Noon  
Wednesday Women's 7pm  
Thursday 7pm (not during Lent)  
for more information, contact the office.

## Women's Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesdays 7:30pm, meeting upstairs at Martin's Supermarket led by Kellee Skaggs. "Present Over Perfect" by Shauna Niequist. Leaving behind busyness and frantic living and rediscovering the person you were made to be. *Present Over Perfect* is a hand reaching out, pulling you free from the constant pressure to perform faster, push harder, and produce more, all while maintaining an exhausting image of perfection.

## Sunday Morning & Thursday Night Bible Study

We are utilizing LCMS Pastor Jonathan Fisk's book *Echo: Unbroken Truth Worth Repeating Again*. A study in which we will learn "the distilled, unbreakable Christian Echo, the very thing that has radically changed humanity in every nation and tongue where it has been repeated."

## Wednesday Noon Bible Study

We have begun a new Bible based study. Please join us!

## Sunday Morning Bible Study

Pastor Mike has started a new Sunday morning bible study on the book of Genesis. "The Beginning" will be held in the Narthex.

## Youth Group Bible Study

Cultural issues that don't line up with God's design.

## Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers for 2019. Please let us know which dates you would like to dedicate. Fill out the form in the bulletin and place in Janet Essig's mail box.

## ●Grow●

### Mail Boxes

Periodically-please check your mail box in the Fellowship Hall. If you do not have a box, please notify Liz in the office and she will make a spot for you! Thank you.

## ●Change●

### Church Improvements Building Fund

Thank you to those that have given to the debt reduction fund. After your weekly tithing, please consider dropping a little extra into an envelope and putting it in the plate. It all adds up! Amount

needed is approx. \$165,000.00. Amount collected to date is \$67,493.14.

**Debt Reduction Envelopes are available at the welcome center**

## Volunteering

There are so many opportunities, here are just a few. Redeemer Little Steps Daycare-reading to a class or helping serve lunch. Lincoln Elementary-lunch buddies, homework help or Boomerrang Backpack. You can volunteer everyday or once a month. The choice is yours. Interested in learning more? Stop by the office or talk with Tami Beery. Let's be His hands and feet. He created us to love and to serve those in need.

## Garage Sale

Garage Sale to benefit the National Youth Gathering in July. If you want to add to the sale, please bring in your items and place them at the Welcome Center. May 17 & 18



# Redeemer Volunteering & Events

## Sign up sheet

(Please place sign-ups in the Office mailbox)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I'd like to donate to the Altar Flowers (\$25)  
(please place in Janet Essig's mail box)

in honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

on this date: \_\_\_\_\_

I'd like to join an awesome Bible Study!

*attend as many as you like!*

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Thursday Evening Bible Study  
(not during Lent)

Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesday Women's Bible Study

I would like assistance from the Youth Group  
(yard work, cleaning, a visit ...)

I would like to help with Sunday School, IMPACT, nursery

Lincoln School & Little Steps Daycare. I am interested in learning about the many opportunities on how to implement our Vision Statement. *Stay tuned-it is going to be epic!*

I would like to help with Vacation Bible School

## Which Mountain are You Climbing

Today I would like to compare that mountain top scene of Jesus's Transfiguration, with one from Exodus:

God said to Moses, *"Come up to me on the mountain and stay here, and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and commands I have written for their instruction."* (Ex. 24:12)

Before Jesus climbed the mountain with His disciples, He said, *"Some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God...About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray."* (Lk. 9:27- 28)

A) Did you notice something interesting?

- 1) Both events mention \_\_\_\_\_, so is there a connection.
- 2) Moses' climb to Sinai was a climb of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3) The \_\_\_\_\_ was an approach to God's forgiving grace in awe at the love God sent in the person of Jesus.

B) So, which Mountain will \_\_\_\_\_ climb?

- 1) To grasp that question, let's look at the experiences of Moses vs the disciples:
- 2) In Moses' and Joshua's case they knew God's awesome power, definitely a \_\_\_\_\_ experience for them.
- 3) In the Disciple's case, they knew \_\_\_\_\_ would be with them to encourage and comfort them.

C) **People climbing:**

1) **Moses's mountain**, to better their relationship with God or at least get more order in their lives.

✓ They're looking for a set of guidelines; using them to manage their families, church & work.

✓ They read and study the Bible to find those rules.

✓ Or a formula to be more happy or more effective in life.

2) **transfiguration with \_\_\_\_\_**, Look for a closer personal relationship with Jesus himself.

- ➡ People who trust in God, look for his direction.
- ➡ Have a life that is filled with the love and joy in Jesus.
- ➡ know that they aren't perfect, and admit their mistakes.
- ➡ Know Jesus carried their sins to the cross.
- ➡ Know that Jesus is right beside them to transform their suffering.

**Close:** Make your climb carefully, but joyfully, to the mountain of Jesus' love. You will find a transformed life more full and rich than any set of rules will ever give.

✠ Johann Walter, Kantor

Johann Walter (1496-1570) began service at the age of 21 as a composer and bass singer in the court chapel of Frederick the Wise. In 1524, he published a collection of hymns arranged according to the church year. It was well received and served as the model for numerous subsequent hymnals. In addition to serving for 30 years as kantor (church musician) in the cities of Torgau and Dresden, he also assisted Martin Luther in the preparation of the Deutsche Messe (1526). Walter is remembered as the first Lutheran kantor and composer of church music.

C.F.W. Walther

✠ Carl Ferdinand Wilhelm Walther (1811 - 1887), the father of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, served as its first president from 1847 to 1850 and then again from 1864 to 1878. In 1839 he emigrated from Saxony, Germany, with other Lutherans, who settled in Missouri. He served as pastor of several congregations in St. Louis, founded Concordia Seminary, and in 1847 was instrumental in the formation of the LCMS (then called the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio, and Other States). Walther worked tirelessly to promote confessional Lutheran teaching and doctrinal agreement among all Lutherans in the United States. He was a prolific writer and speaker. Among his most influential works are Church and Ministry and The Proper Distinction between Law and Gospel.

✠ Friedrich Wyneken, Pastor and Missionary

Friedrich Wyneken is one of the founding fathers of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, along with C.F.W. Walther and Wilhelm Sihler. Born in 1810 in Germany, he came to Baltimore in 1838 and shortly thereafter accepted a call to be the pastor of congregations in Friedheim and Fort Wayne, Indiana. Supported by Wilhelm Loehe's mission society, Wyneken served as an itinerant missionary in Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan, particularly among Native Americans. Together with Loehe and Sihler, he founded Concordia Theological Seminary in 1846 in Fort Wayne, Ind. He later served as the second president of the LCMS during a period of significant growth (1850-64). His leadership strongly influenced the confessional character of the LCMS and its commitment to an authentic Lutheran witness.