

Sundays



Adult Spiritual Formation

Fall & Winter 2011-12 Guide

Adult Spiritual Formation and Education

Time: 10:00 - 10:50 AM **Location:** Various Rooms

The Adult Spiritual Formation program on Sundays incorporates classes in Bible study, liturgy and hymnody, experiencing the Bible through art, outreach and social justice issues, parenting and family topics and classes for healthy and holy living. This fall you will find a myriad of offerings, both small groups and larger ones, designed to help you continue your faith journey. Some of these classes are one time offerings that stand alone; others are short series classes that provide an opportunity to go deeper. Our hope is to provide a variety of classes that will meet the interests of our diverse and vibrant church family. If you have questions about the Adult Spiritual Formation classes or want to talk about the spiritual formation opportunities at Christ Church, please contact Jenny Beaumont, Director of Adult Spiritual Formation, at beaumontj@christchurchcharlotte.org or 704-714-6945.

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Faith Forums: Where Faith Speaks to Life

The Faith Forum is a ministry at Christ Church—an education ministry—that invites our church into vital conversations. The conversations are geared to bring faith and life together in a way that allows dialogue not only between the Reverend Chip Edens and his guests, but between you and our guests. The Faith Forum is where faith speaks to life. Our hope is that you will find something deeply meaningful in these Faith Forum conversations. Perhaps you will experience some restlessness that points you to more questions that will then lead you to transformation in your own life and even in the life of the community.

Guest speakers scheduled to appear are:

Reggie McNeal

Reggie McNeal enjoys helping people, leaders, and Christian organizations pursue more intentional lives. He currently serves as the Missional Leadership Specialist for Leadership Network of Dallas, TX.

Date: Sunday, September 25th

Time: 10:00 AM

Location: All Saints' Hall

Brian McLaren

Brian D. McLaren is an author, speaker, activist, and public theologian. A former college English teacher and pastor; he is primarily known, however, as a thinker and writer.

Date: Saturday, October 8th - Lecture

Time: 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Location: Blue Room

No Reservations Required

Date: Sunday, October 9th

Time: 10:00 AM

Location: All Saints' Hall

Tad Roach

Tad Roach is the headmaster of St. Andrew's School. He graduated from Williams College in 1979 and joined the faculty at St. Andrew's School as an English teacher, dorm parent and coach.

Date: Sunday, November 6th

Time: 10:00 AM

Location: All Saints' Hall

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Shane Claiborne

With tears and laughter, Shane Claiborne unveils the tragic messes we've made of our world and the tangible hope that another world is possible.

Date: Saturday, December 10th - Lecture

Time: 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Location: Blue Room

No Reservations Required

Date: Sunday, December 11th

Time: 10:00 AM

Location: All Saints' Hall

Stephen Smith

Stephen W. Smith: Co-Founder, President and Spiritual Director of Potter's Inn Ministry offers soul care and spiritual direction through sessions and his published resources. He leads workshops and teaches people how to "care for the soul," which Steve says "is how we grow deep, not busy; intentional not random; and healthy not bankrupt inside!"

Date: Sunday, January 8th

Time: 10:00 AM

Location: All Saints' Hall

Rector's Series

The Reverend Chip Edens

Location: All Saints' Hall

Dates: September 18th, October 30th, and November 20th

Each Sunday we come to gather together to grow closer to God and one another. As Christians we seek ways to take our Sunday experience into our Monday-Friday world. Asking the question: "How can I live a God Centered life?" is a good way to further our spiritual journey. The Reverend Chip Edens' dynamic teaching helps lead us to a better understanding of what it means to lead a God centered life.

Biblical Literacy: Portraits of Jesus

Location: Yellow Room

Leaders: The Reverend Martha Hedgpeth, The Reverend Lisa Saunders, and The Reverend John Porter-Acee

Dates: October 2nd, 16th, November 6th and 13th

Each of the four gospels offers its own unique profile of Jesus, his life and ministry. Each class in this series will focus on a different gospel and its primary image and portrait of Jesus.

Life Matters

Educational and fellowship opportunities for healthy and holy living

Location: Blue Room (All Saints' Hall, November 13th)

Dates: See Below

We all love someone affected by one of life's hardest hurts. We don't always understand their struggle. We are not sure how we can help. Frequently, we are at a complete loss as to what to even say. Jesus said that when one of us suffers, we all suffer. This fall the Congregational Care Commission will offer a series of Sunday morning classes to encourage each of us to know better how we can care for one another and leave no one feeling alone or hopeless through loss or illness.

October 2nd: When I Don't Know What to Say

October 16th: When Someone I Love Dies

October 23rd: When Someone I Love Has Mental Illness

November 6th: When Someone I Love Is an Alcoholic

November 13th: A 9/11 Survivor's Story

Christ Church 101: What It Takes to Keep This Place Running

Location: Yellow Room

Leaders: Wellford Tabor, Dick Parkhurst, John Stedman

Date: October 23rd

Join Wellford Tabor, Senior Warden, Dick Parkhurst, Treasurer, and John Stedman, 2012 Annual Stewardship Campaign Chair, for an informative class on the nuts and bolts of Christ Church. Learn how we raise, spend and share our time, talent and treasure.

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Homelessness to Housing

Location: All Saints' Hall

Leaders: Dale Mullennix, Darren Ash and Carol Hardison

Date: October 23rd

Attend a discussion and presentation featuring Dale Mullennix from the Urban Ministry Center, Darren Ash from Charlotte Family Housing and Carol Hardison from Crisis Assistance to discuss the changing face of housing for the homeless. We will learn more about how Charlotte's Non-Profits are changing their focus to stability and prioritizing housing in their ministries to our homeless neighbors.

Finding Your Place in Life

Location: M206

Leader: Paul Hanneman, Urban Ministry Center

Dates: October 30th, November 6th and 13th

Now what? The question can surface when your career and family are launched, when you reach some of your goals, only to discover that they don't entirely satisfy you, that something inside longs for...what? We'll explore three different ways of finding your place in life.

The Bible in Literature

Location: Room M218

Facilitators: Lynn Purdum, David Straut, Peter deVries

Dates: September 25nd, October 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, November 6th, 13th, and December 11th

All Christians seek to discern God's will for their lives. We will follow C.S. Lewis' "Screwtape Letters" as our guide and study scripture to learn ways to listen for and follow God's will in our lives.

Bible Connections: Hebrews

Location: Parlor

Facilitators: Jenny Beaumont, Tere Ey, Doug Mays

Dates: October 2nd, 16th, 23rd, November 6th and 13th

We seek to grow in our knowledge of and love of God as we study Max Lucado's "Hebrews." Books are available in Jenny Beaumont's office or on Sunday in our room. The small group Bible study is open to anyone who would like to join us; we welcome everyone. Just pop in and give us a try. Each class is structured to stand on its own so that parishioners can come when they can.

One Hour Introduction to Christ Church with Tour Afterwards

Location: Conference Room

Leader: The Reverend Verdery Kerr

Dates: October 9th, November 13th, and December 11th

Time: 10:00 AM - Noon

This class is for those new or returning to Christ Church especially in mind. A tour and orientation of buildings, with anecdotes of the glorious and humorous history included, will follow a general overview of the church and conclude with brunch.

Sunday Worship Schedule

7:30 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I in Church
8:40 AM	Godly Play for children
8:45 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II in Church
8:45 AM	Contemporary Eucharist in All Saints' Hall
10:00 AM	Sunday School for all ages
11:15 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II in Church (Morning Prayer 2nd and 4th Sundays)
11:15 AM	Discovery Eucharist for children in All Saints' Hall
5:00 PM	Informal Eucharist with Music in Church

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Programs begin at 10:00 AM

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Date / Room	All Saints' Hall	Yellow Room	Blue Room	M206	M218	Parlor	Choir Room	Conference Room
September 11	Parish Day - Service at 10:00 AM	Parish Day - Lunch on the Church Lawn, following the service in All Saints' Hall						
September 18	Rector's Series <i>The Rev. Chip Edens</i>							
September 25	Faith Forum <i>Reggie McNeal</i>				Bible in Literature			
October 2	Adult Mission Presentation	Biblical Literacy: Portraits of Jesus <i>The Rev. Lisa Saunders</i>	When I Don't Know What to Say <i>Josephine Hicks</i>	Talking about Faith and Bodies (11:00 AM) <i>Jenny Beaumont</i>	Bible in Literature	Bible Connections: Hebrews	Believe What You Sing <i>Chris Brayne</i>	
October 9	Faith Forum <i>Brian McLaren</i>				Bible in Literature			One Hour Introduction to Christ Church
October 16	Youth Mission Presentation	Biblical Literacy: Portraits of Jesus <i>The Rev. Martha Hedgpeth</i>	When Someone I Love Dies <i>Wes Sturgis</i>		Bible in Literature	Bible Connections: Hebrews		
October 23	Homelessness to Housing	Christ Church 101 <i>Wellford Tabor, Senior Warden</i>	When Someone I Love Lives with a Mental Illness	Blood Drive	Bible in Literature	Bible Connections: Hebrews		
October 30	Rector's Series <i>The Rev. Chip Edens</i>			Finding your Place in Life <i>Paul Hanneman</i>				
November 6	Faith Forum <i>Tad Roach</i>	Biblical Literacy: Portraits of Jesus <i>The Rev. Martha Hedgpeth</i>	When Someone I Love Is an Alcoholic	Finding your Place in Life <i>Paul Hanneman</i>	Bible in Literature	Bible Connections: Hebrews	Believe What You Sing <i>Chris Brayne</i>	
November 13	A 9-11 Survivor's Story <i>Brian Clark</i>	Biblical Literacy: Portraits of Jesus <i>The Rev. John Porter-Acee</i>	The Four Cornerstones of Being Human <i>Pitman McGehee</i>	Finding your Place in Life <i>Paul Hanneman</i>	Bible in Literature	Bible Connections: Hebrews		One Hour Introduction to Christ Church
November 20	Rector's Series <i>The Rev. Chip Edens</i>							
November 27	Advent Festival							
December 4	Annual Meeting				All Saints' Hall			
December 11	Faith Forum <i>Shane Claiborne</i>				Bible in Literature			One Hour Introduction to Christ Church
December 18	Christmas Pageant							
December 25	No Sunday School				Sunday morning classes resume January 8, 2012			



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Wednesday Nights

Adult Spiritual Formation and Education

Time: 7:00 - 8:00 PM **Location:** Various Rooms

On Wednesday nights from September through April, Adult Christian Formation Classes are held. The adults will have a choice of many classes during the program hour (7:00 - 8:00 PM), each one designed to offer a variety of Christian education experiences. Join us on Wednesday for a full evening beginning with dinner at 5:30 PM and programming for adults at 7:00 PM. The middle school youth will meet from 6:30 - 7:00 PM for dinner in All Saints' Hall and then move into their program from 7:00 - 8:00 PM.

Wednesday Night Dinner

5:30 - 7:00 PM, in the Blue Room

\$8/adults, \$5/children, \$30 maximum for family

No Reservations Necessary

Bridges Out of Poverty: Training for Those Who Work with the Poor

Location: M207/208

Facilitator: Paul Hanneman, Urban Ministry Center

October 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th

Time: 7:00 - 8:30 PM (Please note extended time)

At Christ Church, we seek to serve Christ in all persons and that begins with striving to understand all people and especially our homeless and Neighbors living in poverty. *Bridges Out of Poverty* is a four week class that reveals the profound differences between the survival-based culture of poverty, the achievement-based culture of middle class, and the connections-based culture of wealth – and shows how to build relationships across cultures that help people in poverty move toward economic stability. If you currently serve (or want to serve) with the homeless ministries and with those living in poverty, this class will be extremely helpful to you in your ministry. Questions about the class? Contact Aimee Norman at normana@christchurchcharlotte.org.

Renewing Your Spiritual Life - Goodbye, Murphy's Law:

Whatever Can Go Wrong, God Can Make Right

Location: M204

Facilitator: Dorothy Trotter

September 21st, 28th, October 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th

Time: 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Our culture tells us that anything that can go wrong will go wrong, usually at the worst possible time. As Christians, we can reject this world view and embrace God's offer of hope and the promise of His presence during the challenges of our lives. This six-week book study, grounded in scripture, will explore ways to move beyond Murphy by trusting in God's plan for our lives. We will use "Goodbye, Murphy's Law: Whatever Can Go Wrong, God Can Make Right" by Judy Pace Christie as our guide. Books are available in Jenny Beaumont's office.

Teenage Parenting: Learning the Blessing of a B Minus

Location: M218

Facilitator: Jenny Beaumont

October 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th

Time: 7:00 - 8:00 PM

As our children seemingly overnight turn into self-absorbed teenagers, how do we as parents respond to their sense of entitlement and demand for independence? How do we learn the new skills needed to climb this surprising mountain of adolescent challenges? Author Wendy Mogel emphasizes empathy and guidance over micromanaging teens' lives and overreacting to missteps. We will use Mogel's book "The Blessing of a B Minus" as a guide as we discuss: why influence is more effective than control, living graciously with rudeness, the surprising value of ordinary work, when to step in and when to step back. Books are available in Jenny Beaumont's office.

The Bible and Art

Location: M207/208

Facilitator: Celia Sinclair

November 2nd, 9th and 16th

Time: 7:00 - 8:00 PM

From the earliest Christian signs to Eastern Orthodox icons to Warner Sallman's "Head of Christ," the relationship between visual art and the Bible is rich and exciting. This class, led by Celia Sinclair, UNC-Charlotte Lecturer and author of "Invitation to the Old Testament," will explore that relationship. We will literally look at how the Bible has been interpreted in different times and places, in the fine arts as well as popular culture. Three class sessions with nothing but a good eye required!

Bible Workbench

Location: M206

Leader: John Glover

Thirteen Week Series: September 14th, 21st, 28th, October 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th, November 2nd, 9th, 16th, 30th, December 7th and 14th

Are you looking for a unique approach to Bible Study? Are you ready to connect the Bible to our own life? Bible Workbench looks deeply at Bible stories and seeks to explore the biblical story and your own life story - and where they intersect. We will seek to "see biblically" and move from knowing about the Bible to living into the Bible.

A Bittersweet Season: Caring for Aging Parents - and Ourselves

Location: M205

Leader: Lynne LeBlanc, BSN, RN, Parish Nurse

October 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th

In telling the warmhearted story of caring for her own aged and ailing mother, *New York Times* journalist Jane Gross offers indispensable advice on virtually every aspect of elder care and candidly examines the caregiver emotional roller coaster. We will discuss how her journey parallels and differs from ours. Reading the book is not required, but recommended. Books available from Lynne LeBlanc.

Grief during the Holidays

Location: M218

Facilitators: Presbyterian Hospice and Palliative Care

November 16th

Dealing with the loss of a loved one, whether in the last year or 20 years ago, can be particularly difficult during the otherwise joy filled Holiday season. Join us for a program presented by bereavement counselors.

Programs begin at 7:00 PM

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Date / Room	All Saints' Hall	Blue Room	M207/208	M218	M204	M205	M206	Yellow Room	
September 14	Middle School EYC	Dinner					Bible Workbench		
September 21	Middle School EYC	Dinner					Goodbye, Murphy's Law: Whatever Can Go Wrong, God Can Make Right <i>Dorothy Trotter</i>	Bible Workbench	
September 28	Middle School EYC	Dinner					Goodbye, Murphy's Law: Whatever Can Go Wrong, God Can Make Right <i>Dorothy Trotter</i>	Bible Workbench	
October 5	Middle School EYC	Dinner	Bridges out of Poverty <i>Paul Hanneman</i>	Teenage Parenting: Blessing of a B Minus <i>Jenny Beaumont</i>	Goodbye, Murphy's Law: Whatever Can Go Wrong, God Can Make Right <i>Dorothy Trotter</i>	A Bittersweet Season: Caring for Our Aging Parents--and Ourselves	Bible Workbench	Beginner's Bridge	
October 12	Middle School EYC	Dinner	Bridges out of Poverty <i>Paul Hanneman</i>	Teenage Parenting: Blessing of a B Minus <i>Jenny Beaumont</i>	Goodbye, Murphy's Law: Whatever Can Go Wrong, God Can Make Right <i>Dorothy Trotter</i>	A Bittersweet Season: Caring for Our Aging Parents--and Ourselves	Bible Workbench	Beginner's Bridge	
October 19	Middle School EYC	Dinner	Bridges out of Poverty <i>Paul Hanneman</i>	Teenage Parenting: Blessing of a B Minus <i>Jenny Beaumont</i>	Goodbye, Murphy's Law: Whatever Can Go Wrong, God Can Make Right <i>Dorothy Trotter</i>	A Bittersweet Season: Caring for Our Aging Parents--and Ourselves	Bible Workbench	Beginner's Bridge	
October 26	Poverty Simulation (Middle School EYC Off-Site)	Dinner	Bridges out of Poverty <i>Paul Hanneman</i>	Teenage Parenting: Blessing of a B Minus <i>Jenny Beaumont</i>	Goodbye, Murphy's Law: Whatever Can Go Wrong, God Can Make Right <i>Dorothy Trotter</i>	A Bittersweet Season: Caring for Our Aging Parents--and Ourselves	Bible Workbench	Beginner's Bridge	
November 2	Middle School EYC	Dinner	The Bible and Art <i>Celia Sinclair</i>					Bible Workbench	
November 9	Middle School EYC	Dinner	The Bible and Art <i>Celia Sinclair</i>					Bible Workbench	
November 16	Middle School EYC	Dinner	The Bible and Art <i>Celia Sinclair</i>	Grief during the Holidays			Bible Workbench		
November 23			No Dinner			No Programming			
November 30	Middle School EYC	Dinner					Bible Workbench		
December 7	Middle School EYC	Dinner					Bible Workbench		
December 14	Middle School EYC	Dinner					Bible Workbench		
December 21			No Dinner, No Programming			Dinner and Programming Resume January 11, 2012			
December 28									

WEEKDAY OPPORTUNITIES

Christ Church Uptown and SouthPark

Once a month we come to where you work. We seek to engage you in your faith journey and build fellowship within the work and church communities. Each month, we gather for Noonday prayers, lunch and a guest speaker. Call or email Emily Kalmbach at 704-714-6956 or kalmbache@christchurchcharlotte.org to register for lunch. Cost for lunch is \$10 at the door, or feel free to “brown bag” your own.

Christ Church Uptown:

Where: Childress Klein YMCA
301 S. College Street

Day and Time:

1st Mondays**, Noon - 1:00 PM
October - May

Christ Church SouthPark:

Where: Morgan Keegan Offices,
6805 Morrison Boulevard, Suite 350

Day and Time:

2nd Mondays**, Noon - 1:00 PM
October - May

** Please Note: Because of various Monday holidays in 2011 and 2012, our specific meeting dates are listed below. The dates may or may not coincide with our regular 1st or 2nd Mondays of the month. The Christ Church Uptown and SouthPark schedule for the season is as follows:

Uptown

2011

October 3rd
November 7th
December 5th

2012

January 9th
February 6th
March 5th
April 16th
May 7th

SouthPark

2011

October 3rd
November 14th
December 12th

2012

January 9th
February 13th
March 12th
April 16th
May 14th



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