

Fall 2018 Bible Studies

Grace: More Than We Deserve, Greater Than We Imagine

DVD study by Max Lacado

Sunday 9:15 am David Room Brian & Jennifer Nichols

Grace.

We talk as though we understand the term. The bank gives us a *grace* period. The seedy politician falls from *grace*. Musicians speak of a *grace* note. We describe an actress as *gracious*, a dancer as *graceful*. We use the word for hospitals, baby girls, kings, and pre-meal prayers. We talk as though we know what *grace* means.

But do we really understand it? Have we settled for wimpy grace? It politely occupies a phrase in a hymn, fits nicely on a church sign. Never causes trouble or demands a response. When asked, "Do you believe in grace?" who could say no?

LifeLight: Ezekiel

Sunday 9:15 am Lower Level Dr. John Brandt

This nine-session study is part of the LifeLight in-depth Bible study series. The goal of LifeLight is that through a regular program of in-depth personal and group study of Scripture, more Christian adults may grow in their personal faith in Jesus Christ.

- Session 1: A Priest Called to Prophecy: 2 Kings 24–25; Exodus 33; Numbers 12; Matthew 25;
- Session 2: Heavenly Vision in the Land of Exile: Ezekiel 1-2
- Session 3: The Watchman's Judgment: Ezekiel 3-9
- Session 4: Breaking Down Whitewashed Walls: Ezekiel 10-17
- Session 5: Accountability for Sin: Ezekiel 18-24
- Session 6: Wrath Upon All Nations: Ezekiel 25-32
- Session 7: The Watchman Warns of the End: Ezekiel 33-36
- Session 8: Dry Bones, Hear the Word! Ezekiel 37-39
- Session 9: A Temple Not Made with Hands: Ezekiel 40-48

Anxious for Nothing: Finding Calm in a Chaotic World

DVD study by Max Lucado

Sunday 10:30 am David Room Cindy Korte & others

Sunday 6:30 pm 5935 McCarty Rd. Jan & Terry Laux

Wednesday noon David Room Paul Seidel

When it comes to anxiety, depression, and stress-related illnesses, America is the frontrunner. Thankfully, there's a practical prescription for dealing with these issues. ***Anxious for Nothing***, the most recent book from ***New York Times*** bestselling author, Max Lucado, provides a roadmap for battling with and healing from anxiety.

Does the uncertainty and chaos of life keep you up at night? Is irrational worry your constant companion? Could you use some calm?

If the answer is yes, you are not alone. *Anxious for Nothing* invites readers to delve into Philippians 4:6-7.

Shinny gods – Finding freedom from things that distract us

Sunday 5:30 pm 2752 Cecelia St. Rev. Michael & Stacey Stahl

Youth (5-12 grade) Sunday 5:30 pm 2752 Cecelia St. Keegan Hook & Alannah Stahl

Exactly how much is enough? In a culture guided chiefly by shiny, life-promising distractions “enough” seems elusive and keeps us indebted to that next source of satisfaction. What if the Giver of Life offered freedom from this downward spiral—would you take it?

This four-session DVD features Mike Slaughter, Lead Pastor of Ginghamburg United Methodist Church and popular author of *Christmas Is Not Your Birthday*, in which he guides us through a four-week all-church stewardship program to help us reassess our priorities and create a culture and a lifestyle of faithful living and giving and make a meaningful contribution to the world.

Sessions include: Naming Our Idols / Money, Work, and Debt / Earn—Save—Give / Heart Giving

The Gospel of Luke

Tuesday 8:15 am David Room Sally Denno

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY beginning Sept. 11 at 8:15am in the David room. We will be studying Luke's Gospel. Join us for an hour of fellowship, a delicious treat, and better yet, God's words for us. Call Sally 781-4851 for more info.

LifeLight: Romans

Tuesday 10 am David Room Mary Kay Hall
Friday 6:15 am Biggby Coffee Mike Denno

As you progress through this 9-session study, you will see how those who are right with God by faith in His Son have been freed from the penalties we deserve.

Paul, Apostle of the Lord
Guilty as Charged
Citizenship through Faith
Acquitted
The Case of God v. Abraham
Summation: Peace, Joy and Hope
The Verdict: Life in Christ
Buried and Raised with Christ
Struggles and Deliverance

The Book of Ruth

Wednesday 7 pm 1727 Passolt St. Rev. Larry Hauser

The book of Ruth tells a touching story of the love and devotion of an ancestor of David and Jesus Christ. It also reminds us of what is important to God.

Review the Six Chief Parts of Our Faith

Wednesday 10 am

David Room

Pastor Korte

We will take a look at the Six Chief Teachings of the Christian Faith using Luther's Small Catechism. We will discuss the following topics: The Ten Commandments; The Apostles' Creed; Holy Baptism; The Lord's Supper; The Lord's Prayer; and the Office of the Keys.

A Work in Progress

Wednesday 6:30 pm

1109 Elm

Pastor Buckhahn

Description: How do I make myself better? To strive for personal betterment is a common and noble mission.

Designed for small groups, high-school age and up, **A Work in Progress: A Scriptural Course toward Self-Improvement** addresses the desire for self-improvement and puts God's Word at the center of the discussion. Each of the seven topics covered inside this book are designed to be discussed during forty-five- to sixty-minute sessions, each addressing a contemporary, worldly topic and probing the question of personal growth while searching God's Word for the answers. Participants hear God's desire for our actions and realize the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Each lesson also reveals the ways God shows His character traits to us. There is a dual emphasis in A Work in Progress: a lawful "what we should do and how we should act," coupled with a focus on Jesus' love and forgiveness for our human shortcomings.