

# **ADULT STUDY Class Schedule**



**September 2018 – May 2019**

**PRINCE OF PEACE  
LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Dublin, Ohio**

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## SEPTEMBER 2018 – MAY 2019

### **Sunday Morning Learning**

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Sunday School for adults;  
Bible studies and topical discussions;  
Sundays at 9:30 am in the Chapel.

### **Wednesday Evenings in Lent**

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Dinner, Class and Prayer Around the Cross;  
for all ages.

### **Bible Studies**

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Ongoing studies of the scriptures;  
in the Conference Room, Chapel or  
Fellowship Hall

### **Occasional Studies**

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Bible studies and other Christian curricula;  
usually 4-6 weeks in length;  
throughout the year;  
in the Conference Room or the Chapel.

# SUNDAY MORNING LEARNING

## 9:30 am – in the Chapel

**September 9, 16, 23, 30 and October 14**

### *Jesus through the Ages*

led by Dr. Joy Schroeder, Prince of Peace member and professor of church history at Capital University, where she teaches at Trinity Lutheran Seminary and the Religion and Philosophy Department.

*Jesus of Nazareth taught and preached in first century Galilee and Judea. His followers remember his crucifixion and resurrection in Jerusalem. Since then, Christians have told and retold stories about Jesus in art, theology, and literature. From early Christian heresies, to the medieval devotional image of Jesus as “Mother” and “lover”, to the hippie Jesus in the musical Jesus Christ Superstar, this class will explore the images of Jesus found in history, art, imagination, and popular culture through the ages. We will also learn about the famous “Head of Christ” portrait found in every church basement!*

**October 7**

### *Travel Beyond Convention*

led by Mikah Meyer

*Mikah Meyer, a road trips and National Parks expert, has been featured by the Guardian, NPR, and the Today Show for his Travel Beyond Convention. His goal is to become the youngest person to visit all 400+ units of the National Parks Service and the sole person to do it on a single trip. He is an inspirational speaker for young adults and a role model for the LGBT community. Also an accomplished performer, Mikah has sung professionally with the Washington National Cathedral choirs and The Memphis Symphony. He is a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar who has devoted his life to helping people find common ground.*

## October 21, 28

### *Exploring the “Dark” Psalms: The Poetry and Theology of Anxiety, Anger, Lament, and Crisis*

led by Pastor Amanda Highben

*Although many of the 150 Psalms are full of praise, joy, and thanksgiving, they have a darker edge to them too. Often, the Psalmist, desperate for deliverance from enemies or illness, cries out to God for help, only to discover that God appears to be hiding. In Psalm 13, the Psalmist asks, “How long, O Lord?” Together we will explore the “dark” Psalms’ painful circumstances and emotions and how these are, in fact, signs of a full and healthy faith life.*

## November 4

### *Sacred Calling: The Life and Work of a Chaplain*

led by Rev. Edward Lewis, Chaplain of OhioHealth Hospice and Kobacker House

*Chaplains provided spiritual and emotional support by helping patients use their own faith traditions to promote healing. Rev. Lewis will discuss what it means to be a hospice chaplain, what differentiates a chaplain from a parish pastor, and what we might expect from a chaplain in a health care setting.*

## November 11

TBA

## November 18

### *Why Campus Ministry is Vital to the Future of the Church*

led by Rev. Grant Eckart, pastor of Jacob’s Porch

*For many, the college-aged years are critical for the future trajectory of their life of faith. On the doorstep of the spiritual wasteland that is the university, Jacob’s Porch remains a vibrant community where students wrestle with who Jesus is and what this means for their lives.*

## November 25

### ***Worship as a Subversive Act: How Worship Changes Us and the World***

led by Pastor Amanda Highben

*As believers in Jesus who know that we can do more together than we can separately, how does our weekly worship gathering shape and transform us so that we, in turn, might live as instruments of healing and reconciliation in the world God created and called good? This is a wonderful opportunity to deepen our knowledge of our liturgy and the power it can have for our lives and communities.*

## December 2, 9

### ***Why and How Do Lutherans Practice Advocacy?***

led by Nick Bates, ELCA Deacon and Executive Director of Hunger Network Ohio

*What is the role of the church in the world? As Lutherans we believe our baptisms call us to vocationally respond to the world from a position of faith. We believe advocacy helps to restore right relationships between individuals, institutions, and communities. We are the Body of Christ in the world, called to do God's work with our hands, feet, and voices. This class will help us learn easy ways to advocate for the change we want to see in the world.*

## December 16

### ***Climbing Kilimanjaro***

led by Cole Coleman and fellow travelers

*Last June, Prince of Peace member and high school junior, Cole Coleman, traveled to Tanzania with two adults and two college students to climb Mt. Kilimanjaro, the tallest mountain in Africa at 19,341 feet. Join us to see stunning pictures of the group's adventure and to learn about the Maasai tribe's ceremonies and traditions.*

## December 23, 30

*No Class*

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*

Join us for worship during these two weekends.

## January 6, 13

*Bible Study on the Book of Luke*

led by the pastoral staff

*The new church year begins on the first Sunday of Advent and we will be reading from the Gospel of Luke during this time.*

*Luke's story of Jesus relates closely to the Jewish world and its beliefs, expectations, and hopes. The ultimate point is this: the Messiah is good news for all people and all of creation.*

## January 20

*Understanding and Preventing Adult Suicide*

led by Heidi Hess, Prince of Peace member and licensed clinical counselor

*Suicide is one of the leading causes of death among adults ages 26 to 55 years old. Serious life challenges, such as relationship problems, unemployment, substance abuse, and poverty may increase suicide risk among the vulnerable. This class will teach us about risk factors and strategies for an increased understanding of adult suicide.*

## January 27

*Partners in Ministry: The Life-Giving Relationship Between Prince of Peace and First English Lutheran*

led by Jim Hoyt

*First English is facing an evolving context as its local neighborhood undergoes gentrification and its lower income residents can no longer afford to live there. How is First English responding to these changes and what challenges and opportunities does First English – together with its partner congregations – face now and in the future?*

## February 3, 10

### *Serving Our Immigrant and Refugee Neighbors*

led by Ruben Castilla Herrera, Organizer of the Columbus Sanctuary Collective and by leaders from Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services

*This class will focus on the complex issues surrounding immigration and refugees in our country. How can Christians respond in faithful and concrete ways? What are the different types of immigration and what does it mean when local churches take families facing deportation into Sanctuary? Join us as we seek to become better informed citizens and Christians. Please visit [www.lirs.org](http://www.lirs.org) for more information.*

## February 17

### *Understanding and Preventing Adolescent Suicide*

led by Heidi Hess, Prince of Peace member and licensed clinical counselor

*Suicide is the second leading cause of death for children, adolescents, and young adults ages 5 to 24 years old. The majority of those who attempt suicide have a significant mental health disorder, usually depression. This class will teach us about risk factors and strategies for an increased understanding of adolescent suicide.*

## February 24 and March 3

### *Designed to Serve*

led by Linda D. Ross, MS, MA, RN, LPC

*Based on Psalm 139:14a, "I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made," this class will teach us about the design of the human body and life itself, and how the use of the design affects our health. Participants will be encouraged to think about how we use our bodies and the consequences of misuse. Strategies for caring for the gift of life will also be discussed.*

**March 10, 17, 24, 31**

**Evangelical and Ecumenical: The Augsburg Confession for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Lutherans**

led by the pastoral staff

*Presiding Bishop, Elizabeth Eaton is urging Lutherans to study the Augsburg Confession which is the Lutheran Church's primary confession of faith and one of the most important documents of the Protestant Reformation. First presented to the Holy Roman Emperor in 1530, the Confession's 28 articles are still relevant today especially as we practice our faith in a pluralistic world. Join us to learn what it means to be evangelical and ecumenical through the lens of the Confession.*

**April 7, 14**

**Marriage as Covenant Relationship: A Biblical and Modern Perspective**

led by the pastoral staff

*The current conversation around marriage in our society is not drawn from Holy Scripture but mostly from societal mores and political agendas. In this class, we will look at what the Bible actually says about marriage, and then talk about how that model might still be used faithfully and adapted to our modern life.*

**April 21**

**No Class**

*Happy Easter!*

## April 28

### ***The Advocacy Project***

led by The Global Missions Ministry Group with  
Iain Guest

*The Advocacy Project supports marginalized communities around the world that face poverty, violence and discrimination. Working with graduate students, the organization partners with communities to tell their stories, strengthen their organizations, and launch innovation campaigns.*

*Iain Guest, Executive Director, will share information about the work Prince of Peace is supporting in Uganda, specifically building accessible toilets. The availability of these facilities increases school enrollment and attendance. The Advocacy Project hopes to encourage local governments to take over the financing and building of these much needed facilities.*

## May 5

### ***Ministry in Our Own Backyards***

led by Nancy Shuman and the Local Missions Ministry Group

*God gives us the mission to support our under-served neighbors in Dublin, Columbus, and Ohio – not just in other countries.*

*The Local Missions Group is engaged in a variety of efforts to serve locally. Join us to learn about this vital work and the difference we can make in the lives of our neighbors.*

## May 12, 19

**TBA**

# WEDNESDAY EVENINGS IN LENT

**Wednesdays, March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10**

## ***The Pentateuch***

led by the pastoral staff

*Christians divide the Old Testament into four major sections, the first of which is the Pentateuch, consisting of Genesis through Deuteronomy. The Pentateuch is the Torah (guidance, teaching, law) for the Jewish people. But the Torah also includes poems, folk tales, and other types of literature. Christians believe that the Pentateuch is God's word inspired by the Holy Spirit, and that Jesus, God's word made flesh, was present as Genesis unfolds. As John's Gospel says, "He was in the beginning with God."*

*Join us for the five Wednesdays in Lent as we explore the Pentateuch and how these books tie together Jews and Christians in our shared worship of the one true God.*

**6:00 pm - Dinner**

**6:30 pm - Class (childcare provided)**

**7:15 pm - Prayer Around the Cross**

**March 13:** *Genesis: In the beginning*

**March 20:** *Exodus: Going out*

**March 27:** *Leviticus: You shall be holy, for I am holy*

**April 3:** *Numbers: Wandering and whining the desert*

**April 10:** *Deuteronomy: Moses' famous last words*

## **BIBLE STUDIES**

### **Tuesdays at 7:30 am, year round, 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> weeks**

#### **Women's Early Morning Bible Study**

led by Chasity Kuttrus;

off site; all are welcome; join anytime

call the church office for location

### **Wednesdays at 9:15 am**

#### **Women's Morning Bible Study**

Join us for a time of fellowship and study.

Studies are a combination of group discussions, video lessons, and/or pastor-led lectures.

Sign up at the display in the Fellowship Hall or contact Janice Joos at [janicejoos@sbcglobal.net](mailto:janicejoos@sbcglobal.net).

Check the newsletter, *Peace Signs*, for topics.

### **Wednesdays at 7:00 pm**

#### **Women's Evening Bible Study**

Join us for a time of fellowship and study.

Studies are a combination of group discussions, video lessons, and/or pastor-led lectures.

Sign up at the display in the Fellowship Hall or contact Pam Mayer at [pammayer1@yahoo.com](mailto:pammayer1@yahoo.com).

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### **Thursdays at 11:00 am, year round**

#### **A Study of the Scriptures**

led by the pastoral staff;

all are welcome; join anytime

### **Mondays at 7:30 pm and Fridays at 7:00 am**

#### **Men's Bible Study Group**

led by Rob Cooper

all are welcome; join anytime

## OCCASIONAL STUDIES

**Saturday, September 22 from 10:00 am to 12 noon**

### **New Member Orientation**

led by Pastor John, Pastor Amanda, Barb Hoyt,  
and church committee leaders

*Interested in becoming a member of Prince of Peace?  
Join us for this orientation class. Topics include the history of  
Christianity and the Lutheran Church, local and global  
ministries of Prince of Peace, and expectations of church  
membership. Open to all current and prospective members.  
Call the church office to confirm your attendance.  
Childcare provided with your RSVP.*

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