



Fall Small Groups

Anthem Bible Group. The Broomfield UMC Anthem Bible Group will resume in September with a new study. The group will read and discuss Adam Hamilton's *Words of Life, Jesus and the Promise of the Ten Commandments Today*. The group meets in members' homes at 10 a.m. on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday mornings of the month with 30 minutes of socializing over refreshments, followed by a one-hour discussion. Susan Roth and Marv Truhe typically take turns leading the group, and other members are welcome to do so when they desire. The book is available for \$14. If you live in Anthem Ranch and are looking for new friendships and learning opportunities, contact Marv Truhe at marvtruhe@aol.com so you can receive updates on the schedule and meeting locations. All Anthem residents are welcome to participate!

Bible and Bagels. Bible and Bagels is a monthly Community Time group designed for informal learning and theological reflection. Join Thomas Cross on the first Sunday of each month at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel for bagels and cream cheese, a brief essay for reading, and lively discussion. All are welcome to participate! There will be no meeting in September. To be included on the Bible and Bagels email notification list, contact Thomas at thomas.cross@broomfieldumc.org.

Books and Brews. Books and Brews is an informal group that meets throughout the year. The group selects a Christian book and discusses it over multiple sessions at local breweries. This group is open to individuals and couples who enjoy learning and fellowship in a relaxed setting. Meetings take place on select Sundays at 6:00 p.m. The group has just begun a new study: *The Lord of Psalm 23*, by David Gibson. Join in studying this profound, award-winning exploration of many people's favorite Psalm. The book is available for \$15. Contact Darren Duplechin at duplech@msn.com or 303-898-4610 to learn about the current study and to get on the text reminder list for upcoming gatherings!

Boomer-Zoomer Coffee Club. If you are 60+, you belong to the generation called Boomers. If you are 79+, you are a member of the Silent Generation. If you are 97+, you belong to the Greatest Generation. If you belong to any of these generations, the Boomer-Zoomer Coffee Club is designed for you! The Boomer-Zoomer Coffee Club, sponsored by Broomfield UMC, is scheduled to meet on-line using Zoom at 10-11:30 a.m. on the first Thursday of the month, starting in September. The purpose is to generate and deepen friendships and community among our seniors and to keep on learning, growing and laughing. The program will include interviews, book reviews, spiritual exercises, birthday celebrations, music, small group conversations, Zoom-arounds, and holiday parties and other activities. If interested, sign up at thomas.cross@broomfieldumc.org and a Zoom link will be sent to you before the first meeting. Please include your phone number and your birthday; birthdays will be recognized at the monthly meetings. Be sure to bring your mug of coffee, tea or Coke Zero. For more information contact Michele Parish Zuniga at 303-886-9175 or michele.parish@gmail.com.

The Chosen Bible Study: Season Two. *The Chosen* Bible Study Group begins discussing a new season of episodes on October 21. The group, which began at the beginning of the year, will wrap up Season One on September 16 and October 7, and move to Season Two on October 21. Members of the group watch each selected episode in advance, reflect upon it using a study guide, and then gather for discussion and inspiration. The study guide is available on the literature rack for \$10. Season Two focuses upon the Sermon on the Mount and Jesus' early evangelistic work. Meetings are select Mondays, 6:30-7:45 p.m.; we welcome new members. Explore new perspectives on Jesus and his disciples using this fascinating video series. We will wrap up Season One on Sept. 16 and Oct. 7. Scheduled meeting dates to discuss Season Two are Oct. 21, Nov. 4, Dec. 2 & 16, Jan. 6, Feb. 3, March 3, April 7, and May 5. For more information or to register, Contact Thomas Cross at 720-880-5221 or thomas.cross@broomfieldumc.org.

Days for Girls Group. The Days for Girls group meets on second Wednesday afternoons, 2-4 p.m. in Room 201. The group makes washable, reusable feminine hygiene kits for women and girls in developing countries. Each kit contains 2 pairs of panties, 2 shields with a moisture barrier, 8 flannel liners (pads), a small bar of soap, a washcloth and an instruction sheet all packed into a cloth drawstring bag. At our meetings, we pack the components into the bags, trace and cut pul (moisture barrier for shields), attach snaps to shields, and prepack shields with liners. All sewing is done at home between meetings. An ability to sew is not required to help with this project. A smaller group meets third Fridays, 1-3 p.m. at InventHQ to serge liners. A serger is a specialized sewing machine which uses multiple threads to make a seam which will not unravel, such as the seams on t-shirts. During the past year, we made 243 kits. Most of these kits have been sent to women and girls in Sierra Leone. Several people who are unable to come to meetings have been cutting shields and pockets, and attaching snaps to the shields. To register or for more information, please contact Lauri Kiel, 303-324-2526, lkiel99@gmail.com.

Faith Links. Faith Links connects faith in Christ to current events and personal discipleship. The group is planning a new video series for late summer and early fall: *Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus*, by Nabeel Qureshi. In *Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus*, author Nabeel Qureshi takes viewers deep into apologetics and evangelism among Muslims through powerful storytelling and personal experience. In eight sessions of about 30 minutes each he explores Muslim culture, the most common Muslim objections to Christianity, and the core doctrines upon which Islam stands or falls. Compassionate and clear, Nabeel's presentations explore how to winsomely engage Muslims in spiritual conversations. This study runs August 18 - October 6. The book is available on the literature rack for \$12. Faith Links meets Sundays, 10:15 - 11:00 a.m. in Room 203, and all are welcome to participate! Contact Shelley Stanley at bumcfaithlinks@gmail.com or drop in any Sunday!

Family Night. All families are invited to come enjoy Taco Tuesday themed dinners on the second and fourth Tuesday nights in the Fellowship Hall from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. After dinner, childcare is provided in the youth room (for older children) and nursery (for younger kids) while adults have time to connect and study God's Word, usually discussing the previous Sunday's sermon. The goal of this group is to create a place of support, socialization, and fun for the whole family. This is a potluck-style meal (with people taking turns bringing different taco bar items) and there is a suggested \$5 donation per family to help pay for childcare. We hope your family can make it! August meetings are August 6 and 27; the second and fourth Tuesday schedule begins in September. Please contact Amy Foster at amygfoster@gmail.com if you plan to participate and let her know the number and ages of your children. All families are welcome to come join the fun!

Friday Friends. Friday Friends is embarking on a new fall study by Max Lucado, *You Are Never Alone: Trust in the Miracle of God's Presence and Power*. In this book, Max Lucado will help you: to realize that Jesus is walking with you and lifting you out of your storms; to dwell in the grace of the cross, the miracle of the empty tomb, and the assurance of restoration power; and to believe that God is your ever-present source of help. The focus is recognizing that we are never without hope or strength because we are never, ever, alone. Friday Friends is a diverse, supportive group of women who meet weekly to learn, share their lives, and pray for one another. The group meets Fridays, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. in Room 203 and all women are welcome to participate! For questions or to register, call Vicki Cromarty at 720-880-5227. The book is available for \$15 from the literature rack.

God's Men. God's Men will be continuing their study of Max Lucado's book, *You Are Never Alone: Trust in the Miracle of God's Presence and Power*, this fall. In this book, Max Lucado will help you: to realize that Jesus is walking with you and lifting you out of your storms; to dwell in the grace of the cross, the miracle of the empty tomb, and the assurance of restoration power; and to believe that God is your ever-present source of help. The focus is recognizing that we are never without hope or strength because we are never, ever, alone. God's Men meet Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in Room 201 over a light breakfast for learning, discussion, and fellowship, and they welcome new men anytime. The study resumes on September 11. The book is available for \$15. Contact Harvey Burns at harvcburns@gmail.com or 303-594-9618 for details or to register - or drop in!

Hiking with Faith. Do you love the outdoors and the opportunity to hike with friends? Hiking with Faith continues this fall with hikes of various difficulty levels. Brian Forman explains, "I am excited to incorporate faith-based learning/discussion with one of my favorite activities...Hiking. It is in nature, and especially the mountains that I often feel the closest to my faith and God. The glory of mountain peaks, rivers and the forests seem to inspire faith-based introspection, togetherness, and conversation with our Creator." If you want to participate in upcoming easy to moderate hikes with time to reflect and converse, contact Brian Forman at 720-234-5793 or brian@jbformanhomes.com.

Homebuilders. Homebuilders will start up again on Sunday, September 8. The group continues to meet in Room 106 from 10:15 - 11:10 a.m. each Sunday. The new series starting September 8 will be, "Questions Jesus Asks" by Dale and Sandy Larsen, a LifeGuide Bible Study. Part of the Larsen's background for this Bible study series is based on the book, *Jesus is the Question*, by Martin B. Copenhaver. An excerpt from Copenhaver's book sets the tone: "Instead, it is the questions Jesus asks that have particular power to engage us, especially over time. Some of Jesus' questions are straightforward, but many more of Jesus' questions are more like his parables. There is more than one way to interpret them. We can see something different each time we encounter them. They are evocative - that is, able to evoke something in us. The questions have a power to move us, and often to a place we have not been before." Homebuilders is always open to visitors, new members, and to those seeking a Sunday morning small group! Contact Doug Demmel at 720-841-8794 or demmeldoug@msn.com for details or to register -- or drop in any Sunday!

Lydia Circle. Lydia Circle is one of the Broomfield subgroups of worldwide United Women in Faith; "We believe love in action can change the world." Lydia Circle meets the second Thursday of the month, 3:30 p.m. at the church. All women are invited to attend. Expect fellowship, meaningful discussions, and refreshments! Contact Colleen Hayer. (720) 530-8165, or Myrna Prentice, (303) 469-1633, to register or for information.

Misunderstood God Group. The Misunderstood God Group begins a new study on September 17, exploring Jesus' character through the "I Am" statements in the Gospel of John using the book, *Jesus Revealed*, by pastor and author Matt Rawle. Light. Bread. Shepherd. Life. The Gospel of John uses these and other symbols to paint a picture of who Jesus is. Through the I Am statements Jesus describes himself with rich images, showing us that he is both fully human and fully divine and calling us as his followers. In *Jesus Revealed: The I Am Statements in the Gospel of John*, author Matt Rawle explores the "I Am" statements in John as works of art that resonate throughout the Gospel and all of Scripture. He shows how these words point beyond themselves to the deep mystery of Jesus Christ and the hope of new life and resurrection in Him. The book is available from the literature rack for \$13 per copy. The Misunderstood God Group is a warm and open-minded group of people who love to read, learn, grow in faith, and support one another on their journeys. This is a politics-free group. The group meets on the first and third Tuesdays of most months, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. in Room 203, for fellowship, discussion, and prayer. New members are always welcome, so contact Thomas Cross at thomas.cross@broomfieldumc.org or 720-880-5221 to register or for more information.

Monday Night Men. The Monday Night Men begin a new study on Monday, September 23, exploring Jesus' character through the "I Am" statements in the Gospel of John using the book, *Jesus Revealed*, by pastor and author Matt Rawle. Light. Bread. Shepherd. Life. The Gospel of John uses these and other symbols to paint a picture of who Jesus is. Through the I Am statements Jesus describes himself with rich images, showing us that he is both fully human and fully divine and calling us as his followers. In *Jesus Revealed: The I Am Statements in the Gospel of John*, author Matt Rawle explores the "I Am" statements in John as works of art that resonate throughout the Gospel and all of Scripture. He shows how these words point beyond themselves to the deep mystery of Jesus Christ and the hope of new life and resurrection in Him. The book is available from the literature rack for \$13 per copy. This study will cover the group's fall meetings, with a new study starting in January 2025 and another in Lent. This group of men meet on the second and fourth Monday of each month, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. in Room 203, for learning, spiritual growth, and prayer together, supporting each other in discipleship. This is a politics-free group. We welcome new members, so contact Thomas Cross at 720-880-5221 or thomas.cross@broomfieldumc.org for more information or to join.

Theology on Tap for Men. Theology on Tap is designed for men who enjoy making friends and talking theology over beverages and food in an informal setting. The group meets most months on select Mondays or Tuesdays, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m., at local brewpubs for fellowship and discussion. Questions are welcome! If nobody has a topic they prefer, Thomas Cross will share an essay or outline to get the conversation started. This is a politics-free group. Dates for 2024-2025 are Sept. 3 & 30, Nov. 18, Dec. 10, Feb. 11, March 17, April 8, May 19, and June 2. Contact Thomas Cross at thomas.cross@broomfieldumc.org to receive updates on dates and meeting locations.

Tuesday Good News Group. The Tuesday Good News Group meets Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. in the Conference Room starting September 10 with a new fall study on Stephen Burnhope's book, *How to Read the Bible Well*. This book takes on the big questions about the Bible that many people ask and explores how to approach interpreting the Bible with integrity. This fascinating, balanced, well-researched book written by a British pastor will set the tone for the group's weekly discussions. The book is available on the literature rack for \$20. The Tuesday Good News Group meets weekly for 90 minutes to discuss Christian books and relate them to life. We conclude with a time of sharing concerns and praying together. We welcome new members! Contact Thomas Cross at 720-880-5221 or thomas.cross@broomfieldumc.org for more information or to register.

Tuesday Morning Glories. The Tuesday Morning Glories Small Group will be studying, "A Deeper Look at Daniel: Spiritual Living in a Secular World," by Douglas Connelly, utilizing a workbook from LifeGuide In-Depth Bible Studies. This study will take a deeper look at Daniel, and you will discover how to (accurately) interpret the meaning of the goat with one horn and other symbols, how God has been at work throughout history, how the sins of our predecessors can influence us, how to stand firm when your faith and values are challenged, and much more. The group meets on Tuesday mornings from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in Room 201 at the church, beginning September 10. To obtain additional information or to order a book, please contact Elaine Batten at battenco@outlook.com or 303-641-7011. All women are welcome!

Viola Lois Circle. The United Women in Faith's Viola Lois Circle meets the first and third Saturdays of the month from September through May at 8:15 a.m. in the church Conference Room. The circle does various book studies such as the Sermon on The Mount. Retired and working ladies are welcome. Contact Jan Dillie at 303-349-8416 or dillie69@msn.com if you're interested, want more information, or you'd like to register!

Women's Book Club. The Women's Book Club is a causal group of about a dozen women who meet each month to discuss the month's selected book. Alice Potter explains, "Our reads are primarily fiction and historical fiction, with occasional nonfiction thrown into the mix. Books are chosen by the group by January 1st for the year. An effort is made to select books available in libraries or in paperback to keep costs down, it is not required that you buy each book. We are a very "come as you are" group, no food nor drink served (you can BYO if desired), and no need to dress up! You do not need to commit to being present every month; just show up as you are able. We are a group of avid readers who enjoy the camaraderie of expanding our literary horizons and getting to know each other." The group meets every fourth Thursday (except November and December) at its new time, 4:00 – 5:30 p.m., in the Conference Room. To register and receive updates, contact Alice Potter at alicepotter92@gmail.com. Upcoming titles:

Aug. 22: *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo*, by Taylor Jenkins Reid

Sept. 26: *The Death of Mrs. Westaway*, by Ruth Ware

Women's Renewal Series. The Women's Renewal Series begins a new book discussion and spiritual practice series this fall: *Seeking Wisdom*. In this volume of *The Artist's Way* series, Julia Cameron shares a mindful collection of prayer practices that open our creative souls. As you journey through each week of the program, you'll explore prayers of petition, gratitude creativity, and more. Along the way, the three beloved tools of *The Artist's Way* – Morning Pages, Artist Dates, and walks – are refreshed and reintroduced to provide a proven, grounded framework for growth and development. Additionally, Cameron introduces a powerful fourth tool: writing out guidance. *Seeking Wisdom* issues an invitation to step further into exciting creative practice. This series meets Sundays, 12:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m., September 8 – October 20 (no meeting on Oct. 13). To register, contact Michelle Howard at 303-709-6524 or womensrenewalseries@gmail.com.

Yoga Class. Are you looking for a Yoga Class? This fall, Amy Foster is continuing a contemplative Yoga Class that includes meditations from the Scriptures in a warm and supportive atmosphere. Sessions will be on Thursday evenings, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., in the Family Life Center. The suggested donation is \$10 per session. People of all ability levels are welcome to participate. Drop-ins are welcome; please check the schedule as you enter by the office, as a few sessions may be moved. To register and receive all the details, please contact Amy Foster at amygfoster@gmail.com.

Young Professionals Group. The Young Professionals Small Group is a space for people in their 20's and 30's to grow together in faith and support one another in community. We strive to create a space where all are welcome and feel like they belong. We want you here! We meet weekly on Sundays at 10:15 a.m. during Community Time in Room 101 (downstairs) for focused discussion (no meeting June 9), and we also plan one or two social outings per month to grow closer together (e.g. hiking, festivals, restaurants, movies, games). Reach out to Jacob & JoAnna Pawlik at 828-461-8022 or pawlikjt@gmail.com to get involved and receive updates of activities!

Questions or Ideas? If you have any questions or ideas regarding Small Groups, if you'd like to start a new group, or just need help finding the right group for you, contact Thomas Cross at 720-880-5221!