

FALL 2022



**COMMUNITY
LIFE GROUPS**

WELCOME

Welcome to Community Life at Century! The Bible tells us the church Jesus is building is to live life together...in community. The first church ever – read about its beginning in Acts 2:42-47 – did just that!

As part of our church family there are a couple things we desire for your spiritual growth: corporate worship and community. Fleshed out, that looks like weekly participation in a corporately gathered worship service and being part of a small group: Community Life, Missional Community or Bible Study.

At Century we believe the church doesn't really begin to be the church until we are in community with others. The church is not a building; it is a community of people living life together in a group. We believe spiritual life and growth happens most effectively in groups; that is why Community Life Groups and Missional Communities are the DNA of Century: it is who we are and how we make disciples of Jesus Christ.

Community Life Groups (CLG) are 10-15 people meeting together each week to grow in your faith, pray with others, build new, healthy relationships and intentionally serve others on mission. Missional Communities (MC) are groups of 15-25 gathering together, sharing a meal, studying Scripture, praying and living on mission together (same group of people are served by the MC). We aim to have people develop intentional relationships with those who are far from God, walking with them through the rhythms of their life, living out Jesus' mission for the church.

I invite you to peruse this catalog, choose a group to participate in and sign up. Remember your commitment is for this semester only – 14 weeks (you'll have opportunity to sign up for another group next semester). Let me know if there is anything I can do to help you get connected to God, others and on mission building the Kingdom of God.

Pastor Paul Herr

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FAQ

How long are the groups each week?

Each week you need to plan on 1 ½ to 2 hours for your CLG. You will spend time talking and catching up with each other's lives, praying with and for one another and studying God's Word together looking for personal, practical application to your life.

What is the length of a semester?

A typical semester runs for 12-15 weeks. The 2022 Fall semester begins the week of September 11 and runs through the week of December 11 – 14 weeks. CLGs with a different start date will be noted in their description.

What about childcare?

Each group operates independently of all other CLGs and that includes how they handle childcare. Contact your Group Leader as to how childcare will be handled.

What is the Childcare Reimbursement Form?

This form is to be filled out each week and turned into the church office if you have a need in covering the cost of childcare for your child(ren) while you are at your CLG.

How much does it cost to join a CLG?

Nothing; well, sort of. The only incurred cost would be for a book and/or study guide if one is listed in the specific group. However, we do not want anyone to miss out because they can't afford it, so we'll cover the cost (book, study guide, childcare, etc.) if you can't.

What kinds of CLGs are there?

We have groups for men, women, young adults, young families, newly married, support groups and more. Note: Not all kinds of groups are offered every semester.

MONDAY

#MON-01 Online Sermon-Based Study

Time: 8:30pm

Type: Mothers of young children

Leader: Rachel Jungling

701.202.1624

Location: Online

Meeting via Zoom, this study is focused on the Sunday sermon.

Each Sunday the questions are provided in the worship service and available on our website. A sermon-based study affords the opportunity to interact with the message, parallel passages to the message and wrestle with personal application of the Scriptures in an encouraging and supportive environment. As well, we will also preview what kids are learning in the nursery and preschool in the upcoming week.

#MON-02 Homeschool Moms' Fellowship

Time: 6:30pm

Type: Homeschool moms

Leaders: Heidi Johnson

701.934.4830

Sarah Wonnemberg

701.471.9475

Location: Room 136, Century Baptist Church

Come meet with other homeschool moms for encouragement, fellowship and prayer as we raise our children to follow Christ.

Moms in all stages of homeschooling are welcome!

Note: this group meets the second Monday of the month.

*Some months the location may change, so please check with one of the leaders before coming to the group that month.

TUESDAY

Revelation

#TUE-01

Time: 6:30am

Type: Men's Bible Study

Leaders: Barry Schumaier

701.391.4829

Troy Barber

701.400.3422

Dave Mason

701.425.8584

Location: Room 170, Century Baptist Church

This men's Bible study is held at a time of the day convenient for those that can't make weeknights or weekends, but for early risers. We pick a book of the Bible and spend several months studying deeply into God's word, and connecting with each other. If you are looking to learn more about the Bible, connect with other men in our area that will provide you a support system, we would love to see you each Tuesday morning!

Bring your Bible; if you don't have a Bible, one will be provided.

#TUE-02

Trustworthy / Isaiah

Time: 9:00am

Type: Ladies Bible Study

Leaders: Lisa Rhodes

701.226.2152

Margo Kolbo

701.426.3125

Location: Century Baptist Church

During the Fall semester we will do two studies starting with Trustworthy by Lysa Terkeurst. When hard times come and it seems God is deviating from the plan we assume our lives should follow, we are much more likely to want to tame God, not trust Him. It's then that we begin to press into our own ways and timing. No human can carry the weight of being their own god, but so many of us try. This study of 1 & 2 Kings dives into how to overcome our greatest struggles to trust God.

The second study, Isaiah by Melissa Spoelstra, unpacks Isaiah's words to reveal that you can trust God more than your own human effort or the counterfeits the world suggests. You won't be striving harder, but instead trusting more deeply in the Faithful One who is so worthy of our utter dependence. In Him you'll find the comfort and peace you need to sustain you.

Trustworthy study guide: \$19

Isaiah study guide: \$24

#TUE-03

Isaiah

Time: 6:30pm

Type: Ladies Bible Study

Leader: Janelle Dick

701.226.7820

Location: Room 170, Century Baptist Church

The study of the book Isaiah named for the Old Testament prophet, by Melissa Spoelstra, unpacks Isaiah's words to reveal that you can trust God more than your own human effort or the counterfeits the world suggests. You won't be striving harder, but instead trusting more deeply in the Faithful One who is so worthy of our utter dependence. In Him you'll find the comfort and peace you need to sustain you.

Isaiah study guide: \$24

*This group meets every other week

WEDNESDAY

#WED-01 Prayer Meeting & Bible Study

Time: 2:45pm

Type: Retired Adults, primarily

Leaders: Darcy Ehmann

701.210.2827

Jerry Fischer

701.667.2076

Location: Room 170, Century Baptist Church

Starting with coffee and fellowship at 2:45pm to catch up on life, we move to a time of spiritual growth through the sharing of personal prayer requests as well as interceding for the ministry of Century Baptist Church. Our study of Scripture is focused on the previous Sunday sermon using the sermon-based study guide.

Bring your Bible.

#WED-02

Mission in Motion

Time: 6:30pm

Type: Intergenerational women's group

Leader: Katie Thomasson

701.805.1447

Location: Room 136, Century Baptist Church

Living on mission isn't just for "missionaries" – we all have a role in sharing Christ to the ends of the earth. In this Right Now Media series, Claude Hickman and Todd Ahrend of The Traveling Team help us rediscover our God-given purpose in life and examine ways that each of us can be involved in God's great mission. You'll also hear how others in our own church family answered the call to bring the Gospel to a local, national, or international audience. We'll spend time investing in one another through prayer and intentional fellowship as a way to support and encourage God's calling in our lives.

Bring your Bible.

#WED-03

Is Genesis History?

Time: 6:30pm

Type: All adults

Leaders: Andrew & Christie Weixel

701-220-1034

Location: Connecting Place, Century Baptist Church

This study explores what the Bible teaches concerning Creation, Adam & Eve, and the Flood. It looks at six key doctrines introduced in the first chapters of Genesis. The first book of the Bible records the foundational events in the history of the world. Jesus Himself was there at the beginning, forming everything according to His purpose. The Apostle John tells us, "All things were made through Him, and without Him was not any thing made that was made" (John 1:3). Genesis is therefore central to the work of Jesus Christ. The hope is that you will better understand how the first chapters of Genesis are related to His plan of salvation.

Study guide: \$9; will be available the first night of study

This group is limited to 16 individuals.

#WED-04

Financial Peace University

Time: 6:30pm

Type: All adults

Leaders: Pastor Paul Herr

701.223.0478

Tamara Barber

701.527.2577

Location: Room 134, Century Baptist Church

Are you tired of money stress? Then you are ready to join more than 5 million people whose lives have been changed by Financial Peace University (FPU)! This nine-lesson course taught by Dave Ramsey and the Ramsey Solutions Team helps you work a plan to develop a budget, defeat debt, and free yourself from money worries! You will join a small group for discussion and lessons—all rooted in Biblical wisdom and common sense. FPU includes your member workbook and a year of FPU Membership, with online tools created to support your journey. There is a FPU preview session Wednesday, September 14, 6:30pm in room 134. FPU begins Wednesday, September 21 at 6:30pm in room 134. Here is the link to sign up: www.fpu.com/1153192

Financial Peace Membership: \$100

This group is limited to 10 individuals.

#WED-05

Nehemiah and Esther

Time: 6:30pm

Type: Ladies Bible study

Leader: Renee Zahn

701.214.7428

Location: Room 170, Century Baptist Church

This in-depth look (via the inductive Bible study method) at the Old Testament books of Nehemiah and Esther chronicles the lives and conflicts of ordinary men and women who faced overwhelming situations charged with fear and fraught with discouragement. Yet they come out winners...and you can too. This study will take you directly to the Word of God, where you will learn precepts of life that will enable you to conquer fear and overcome discouragement. Study guide: \$9; will be available the first night of study.

#WED-06

Romans

Time: 6:30pm

Type: All adults

Leader: Mike Pitkin

701.590.6426

Location: NW Bismarck

An exegetical study working our way through of the book of Romans from chapter 1, verse 1 on. The Apostle Paul's letter to the Romans sets forth the doctrine of justification, and its ramifications, by faith in a systematic way. The theme of the epistle is the righteousness of God (1:16-17). Multiple basic Christian doctrine are discussed: natural revelation, universality of sin, justification, propitiation, faith, original sin, union with Christ, the election and rejection of Israel, spiritual gifts and respect for government. The plan is to continue on into the Spring semester.

Bring your Bible

THURSDAY

#THUR-01

JOY Group

Time: 9:30am

Type: Ladies

Leader: April Zimmerman

701.516.3207

Location: Room 134, Century Baptist Church

All ladies are welcome to a time of encouragement from the Word of God, fellowship with one another and prayer together for our church family, community and the Kingdom of God.

Note: This group meets the 1st Thursday of the months of April through December

SATURDAY

Gospel of John

#SAT-01

Time: 7:30am

Type: Men's Bible Study

Leader: Vaughn Rhodes

701.471.0362

Location: Room 170, Century Baptist Church

This Bible study is for men of all ages to gather together in community for an in depth study of God's Word. Each week we start with prayer to focus our minds, hearts, and souls on God. Our study leader will guide us through verses with Biblical insight urging discussion and interaction from the men.

The Bible study has been developed to enrich and grow men in all stages of their walk with Christ from the seasoned veteran, who is full of Biblical knowledge, to the new, growing man seeking further understanding of the Word. We welcome and encourage all men to come and join us on Saturday Mornings.

Bring your Bible; if you don't have a Bible, one will be provided.

SUNDAY

Prayer

#SUN-01

Time: 8:30am

Type: All adults

Leaders: Pastor Paul Herr 701.471.780 Rob Herman 701.202.9304

Location: Room 136, Century Baptist Church

Our heavenly Father has given us the invitation to know Him and live in community and fellowship with Him. A significant part of knowing God and being in fellowship with Him is prayer...not talking about prayer, but spending time praying to God. This is a time of praying, not learning or talking about prayer. Using Scripture as our guide we will spend time praying together for our church family, one another, our nation, our relationships and opportunities to share the truths of Jesus in the everyday conversations and activities of life.

The goal is that we "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:6-7

Bring you Bible.

#SUN-02

Sermon-Based Study

Time: 3:30pm

Type: All adults

Leaders: Ryne & Rachel Jungling

701.202.1861

Location: Northwest Mandan

The study is focused on the Sunday sermon. Each Sunday the questions are provided in the worship service and available on our website. A sermon-based study affords the opportunity to interact with the message, parallel passages to the message and wrestle with personal application of the Scriptures in an encouraging and supportive environment.

#SUN-03 The THING "Transformed Hearts in the Next Generation"

Time: 11:30am

Type: College Students/Young Adults

Leaders: Pastor Jason DuPaul

701.891.1290

Kristin DuPaul

Location: Room 200 – the Basement, Century Baptist Church

College students and young adults have you been looking for something where you can find community? Then come check out The THING. We'll eat things, we'll talk about Bible things. It'll be this whole thing. This College/Young Adult Ministry brunch and Bible study is focused on the Sunday sermon. We will interact with the message, parallel passages to the message and wrestle with personal application of the Scriptures in an encouraging and supportive environment.

ADULT SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES

#SUN-11

JAMES

Time: 8:30am

Type: All Adults

Leader: Brandt Dick

701.220.3176

Location: Room 172, Century Baptist Church

An expositional study through the Book of James concerned with the practical aspects of Christian conduct telling how faith works in everyday life. James's purpose was to provide concrete ethical instruction for the follower of Jesus Christ. In the 108 verses of this epistle there are references or allusions from 22 books of the Old Testament and at least 15 allusions to the teachings of Christ as embodied in the Sermon on the Mount. Among the key subjects discussed are faith and works, the use of the tongue, and prayer for the sick.

#SUN-12

MARRIAGE TODAY

Time: 8:30am

Type: Adults

Leader: Larry Kolbo

701.226.3654

Location: Room 134, Century Baptist Church

With a focus on various relationship facets necessary for building strong marriages, this study looks at how following Jesus as our Savior and Lord is to impact our speech, attitudes and actions in the husband and wife relationship.

#SUN-13

PHILIPPIANS & COLOSSIANS

Time: 10:00am

Type: All Adults

Leader: Jack Noble

Location: Room 172, Century Baptist Church

Type: Adults

In studying these two prison epistles, the themes of encouragement and lordship come to the forefront. The Apostle Paul writes to the believers in Philippi encouraging them to live as citizens of a heavenly colony, as evidenced by a growing commitment to service to God and to one another. In writing to the saints at Colossae, the Apostle brings out the theme of Christ being Lord over all of creation, including the invisible realm. Jesus has secured redemption for His people enabling them to participate with Him in His death, resurrection, and fullness.

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

The BANQUET

The Banquet is a free meal served at The Dream Center, 1805 Park Ave., to the lonely, homeless and needy of all ages in our community. Century Baptist Church is sponsoring and serving the meal for The Banquet Thursday, September 29, 2022. You are invited to join in this opportunity to serve a meal for those in need of food, community, and friendship by assisting in the preparation and serving of the meal. Sign-up sheets will be available for cooks, servers, musicians, set-up and clean-up teams at the Information Desk by Sunday, August 28.

Church League Basketball

Coming January 2023. Look for more information in December about Church League Basketball and where to sign up to play. Anyone age 16 and older is invited to participate.

Baptism

Baptism is the public declaration of one's faith in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord. At Century we celebrate the ordinance of believer's baptism. If you would like to be baptized or have questions about baptism, contact Robyn robyn@centurybaptist.org or 701.223.0478

We offer a Baptism Seminar for all adults who desire to understand what the Bible says about baptism. This is a 1 hour seminar that explains what baptism is, why one is to be baptized, when one should be baptized and how to write and share one's personal faith testimony.

Baptism Seminar Dates: TBA

Church Membership

If you desire to partner with us in making disciples and join the Century family by becoming members of our church, we require you attend our church membership seminar. This 120 minute seminar includes our theological beliefs, philosophy of ministry, core values, history and discipleship strategy.

Church Membership seminar dates:

Sunday, October 30, 11:30pm, Room 134

Sunday, December 11, 11:30am, Room 134

Please contact Robyn or Pastor Paul Herr in the church office for more information about church membership, 701.223.0478.

Serving At Century

Are you interested in serving at Century Baptist? We would love to get you connected to a ministry area that is encouraging, challenging and fulfilling while utilizing your skills, passions and spiritual giftedness. Please contact Pastor Paul Herr or Robyn Wonnemberg, Adult Ministry Assistant, 701.223.0478 to assist you in serving at Century.

Starting Point

A small group conversational environment where people can explore faith and experience community. This Community Life Group is designed for seekers, new believers and returners to church; however, it is valuable for all believers as it walks through the Bible in 10 weeks providing people an opportunity to see where they are exposed to God's story and see how they fit into His story. Starting Point is not currently scheduled for Fall 2022. Contact Pastor Paul Herr for more information

HOW TO SIGN UP FOR A COMMUNITY LIFE GROUP (CLG)

We work hard to make it easy to sign up. You have 3 options...

1. Sign up online at

<http://centurybaptist.org/connect/community-life-groups>

2. Write the Community Life Group # of the group of your choice in the space provided on the back of the Connect Card – “Additional Information”

3. Sign up at the Information Desk in the lobby.

See, it really is easy! If you have questions email us at groups@centurybaptist.org or call 701.223.0478.

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