

Get Connected.
Life is better together.

Normal First UMC

Join a
Small Group
by:

Small Groups
2018-2019
*You weren't
designed to do life
alone!*

Going on-line to www.normalfirst.org
Email secretary@normalfirst.org
Visit the Small Group Fair Sept. 8/9

Context: A Discussion of the Application of the Bible and Christian Theology to Contemporary Social/Cultural/Religious Issues

This group tackles thoughtful topics from both a contemporary and a historical perspective. Using select readings, we offer an opportunity to explore issues confronting us in our church and our society.

Leader: Rev. H. Daughenbaugh
hdaughenb@aol.com
Time: 1:00 (4th Wed/month)
Location: Lounge

Diner's Club

Small Groups of 8 people will be put together for a monthly meal. Each group decides on the details of their gathering. Sign Up by Sept 16th

Coordinators: Pam Bloom, Sue Hospelhorn, Mary Foster
mjfoster416@gmail.com
452-2479

Faithful Friends

Women's Group

This group supports one another through fellowship and friendship. Child care provided.

Leader: Leslie Schaffer
Time: 9 am first Friday of month
Location: Room 303

FIT

Fit invites you to build strength, increase flexibility, and make some new friends.

Leader: Kathy Gossard
662-5745 skgossard@aol.com
Time: 9:15
Location: Room 53

Future Faith: Ten Challenges Reshaping the Practice of Christianity

Author Wesley Granberg-Michaleson provides a view of how the top ten winds of change blowing through global Christian faith are reshaping the practice of Christianity today.

Leader: Pastor Kathy
pastorkathy@normalfirst.org
Wednesdays beginning Oct.3
Time: 5:45-6:45p
Location: Lounge

Generational IQ by Haydn Shaw

Learn about what has shaped each generation and how those influences affect relationships in our families and our church community. This is an opportunity to look through a different lens to understand the strengths of each generation and what it can mean for our church family.

Leader: Alice Pomeroy 309-827-0163
Time/Location: TBD

Heart to Heart

Fellowship for retirees with various programs and a chance to visit. Always refreshments! Enjoy the fellowship; fun to take time off to be with other people.

Leader: Thom Dunavin 309.530.8747
lducko7734@gmail.com
Time: 10 am 2nd and 4th Tuesday
Location: Lounge

HOPE Groups

Honoring Other People's Experiences

The conversation will be based on a question about our life experiences...to discover what we share in common and what makes us unique. Different HOPE groups will be offered.

Leader: Pastor Kathy
pastorkathy@normalfirst.org

Journaling & Doodling Bible Study for Preteen Girls (4th, 5th grade)

We will use colorful pens and markers to journal and doodle what we are learning from scripture. Materials provided. Bring a friend!

Leader: Jill McNiff
jmcniff@normalfirst.org
Time: Tuesday afternoons 4 to 5 beginning Sept 11th
Location: The Coffee House, uptown Normal.

Men's Small Group

New members welcome! Read & discuss short chapters in a fath resource. No Bible expertise is expected. We get to know more men & their families. We share personal things & trust others to keep it confidential. We laugh together, console each other, encourage & pray for each other. Our studies help us pay attention to our faith & discipleship.

Leader: Brent Anderson
papabrenta@gmail.com

Time: Wed | 7 PM (school year) Location: Room 303

Movie Meet & Eat

Join us for our Movie Meet & Eat small group! We get together once a month during the week to see a movie and then eat a meal together at a nearby restaurant. Information is sent out by email.

Leaders: Denny & Cindy Mohrman
Cynthia.mohrman@gmail.com
309-824-5802

Parenting Through the Phases *is a small group study for parents to help you discover what's changing about your kid, the six things your kid needs most, and four conversation to have with our kid while they are in each phase.*

Coordinator: Jill McNiff
jmcniff@normalfirst.org
Time: 5:45-6:45p Wednesdays
beginning October 3rd
Location: Room 53

Second Saturday Out Group

We enjoy fellowship, support, and a meal together once a month.

Leader: Jane Whitman
whitman1707@gmail.com
Time: 6 PM

Location: Denny's in Normal

Second Sunday Out Group

We enjoy fellowship, support & a meal together once a month.

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: Panera's on Greenbriar Dr.

Shoptalk/Daffodil Lane in Lexington

Gather w/others for discussion, fellowship and support.

Leader: Sondra Wisdom
Sondra.wisdom@yahoo.com
Thursdays once a month

Slow and Steady

Would you be interested in learning more about the Bible and how it might be relevant and helpful in the ups and downs of your everyday life? Could you use the support of a caring community? If you answered yes to either of these questions, come and join in. No homework or previous Bible study necessary. Come as you are.

Leader: Pastor Kent King-Nobles

Time: Thursdays at Noon

Location: Room 53

Tech Group

Bring your technology (smartphone, tablet, camera, computer) and questions to the church to learn and share tips to use and be more productive with your devices.

There is always something new to learn and different ways to use technology to make your life easier and more efficient!

Leader: Cindy Mohrman
Cynthia.mohrman@gmail.com
309-824-5802

Time: 4:00 last Monday/month

Location: Library

TGIF (Today God is First)

Women's Study Bible Study or other studies on current issues of concern.

Leader: Jan Mowery

Time: Fri | 9:30 AM

Location: Different homes

Unity of the Church and Human Sexuality: Toward a Faithful United Methodist Witness

When we love God with our minds, conversations matter, especially faithful conversations about difficult and divided topics. This book will guide our discussion on human sexuality and the future of The United Methodist Church

Leader: Pastor Kent King-Nobles
pastorkent@normalfirst.org

Meeting Dates: Sept 9, 16, 23, 30

Time: 5:30-7p

Location: Lounge

Weird Church by Paul Nixon and Beth Ann Estock

Weekly Online discussion centered around some of the ideas found in Weird Church.

Great opportunity for those who might have crazy work/family schedules

Leader: Nicole Rummel
rummelnicole@yahoo.com

Wisdom of God: Seeing Jesus in the Psalms and Wisdom Books

Author Nancy Guthrie leads us through an in-depth study of the four Old Testament Wisdom Books and the Psalms, with practical life lessons and the supreme Wisdom of God in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

Leader: Mary Foster

Time/Location: TBD

Women's Small Group

Fellowship, Bible study, and growing in faith.

Contact: Theresa Garrett
tgarrett@normalfirst.org

Time: Wednesday/5:45-6:45 pm

Location: Room 214

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Yokefellows

Do you like the old hymns? Studying different perspectives of Christianity? Do you want Fellowship? Come give Yokefellows a try. The class has been active for 71 years!

Contact: Thom Dunavin
lducko7734@gmail.com
Sun | 11 AM | Choir Room

Bible Moths

We study theological books and books of social justice interest. This class has a strong sense of support & a willingness to listen and share our thoughts on a variety of social issues. We explore theological understandings about what it means to be Christian.

Leaders: Bob & Barb Hathway
hath@ilstu.edu

Sun | 11 AM | Room 53

