

2025 WEDNESDAY NIGHT

# SMALL GROUPS

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## ONGOING GROUPS

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### TABLE TALK

#### IN THE LARGE DINING ROOM

Sometimes, the group offerings don't engage everyone. And that's okay! We want those who are still seeking connection and conversation after a long day to have a place to do so. During Table Talk, there will be an opportunity to catch up with folks and hear how life is going. There will also be some questions provided on the table to mix it up if you so choose!

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### CONVERGE

#### IN THE PARLOR

*(BOTTOM FLOOR OF THE OFFICE BUILDING)*

Converge Midweek is an ongoing small group for young adults at First Church that is open and welcoming. We begin each meeting by checking in with one another and then have guided conversation on a variety of topics. Conversations can focus on books of the Bible, a video series, or a book series. There is no "homework" that needs to be done before attending. Just show up and know that you belong.

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### OPEN TABLE

#### IN THE IRL CLASSROOM

*(2ND FLOOR OF THE EDUCATION BUILDING)*

Open Table is a small group open to all that centers LGBTQ+ perspectives on a wide range of topics including religion, culture, and current events. Join us this fall as we take a multimedia look at queer history. With books, short videos, poetry, and more we will explore the long and important history of our 2SLGBTQIA+ community!

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# WRITING

Led by Mary Evelyn Holloway

## IN THE LIBRARY

*(1ST FLOOR OF THE EDUCATION BUILDING)*

Come together and learn different ways to write as a form of prayerful reflection. Led by Mary Evelyn Holloway, we will discover how writing can become a ritualistic practice that brings us closer to God, closer together, and closer to learning more about ourselves.

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# KIDS & YOUTH PROGRAMMING

Led by Ashley Hess

## CITYKIDS WING

*(2ND FLOOR OF THE EDUCATION BUILDING)*

Join our CityKids and students as they learn to worship, grow, and serve together! We'll have activities for any age and exciting programming planned this fall. If you have any questions, please email [Ashley@firstchurchbhm.com](mailto:Ashley@firstchurchbhm.com).

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# SANCTUARY CHOIR

Led by Patrick Evans

## IN THE CHOIR ROOM

Have you ever heard the glorious music on Sunday mornings and wanted to be a part of it? Join your sanctuary choir for rehearsals on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm! For any additional questions, email [Patrick@firstchurchbhm.com](mailto:Patrick@firstchurchbhm.com).

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# SMALL GROUPS DURING JANUARY

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## CREATION CARE

### IN THE ECCLESIA-WINGARD CLASSROOM

A relationship with God's creation and a ministry of caring for and healing the earth are integral to what it means to be a United Methodist. Join us for a 3-week series where we'll hear from several church members and ministry partners as they articulate what Creation Care means to them personally and how we might lean into this value in our own lives.

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## WICKED

### AN EXPLORATION OF GOOD AND EVIL

Led by Katie Gilbert & Katherine Mullen

### SALT CLASSROOM

"Are people born wicked? Or do they have wickedness thrust upon them?" In the recent movie adaptation of *Wicked*, we are encouraged to explore the themes of good and evil. For three weeks we will consider Scripture through the lens of *Wicked* as we explore the themes of wickedness and goodness in our world. If you're a fan of the film or just want to come and learn, there will be something for everyone (and maybe even a few sing-a-longs!).

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# SMALL GROUPS DURING FEBRUARY

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## THE SUM OF US

Facilitated by Chris Minnix and Reverend Marian Royston (TBD)

### SALT CLASSROOM

Join us for three weeks as we discuss Heather McGhee's *The Sum of Us: What Racism Costs Everyone and How We Can Prosper Together*. Our hope is that this book will spark meaningful discussions about the economic and societal costs of racism and how these issues can affect our behavior, beliefs, and interactions in the workplace.

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# SMALL GROUPS DURING LENT

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## THE LAST DAYS OF JESUS A LENTEN STUDY

Led by Katie Gilbert

**SALT CLASSROOM**

Every year at Holy Week we repeat the same story of Jesus' last moments on earth. However, we often read and hear them without fully understanding the historical context into which they were penned. Using Reza Aslan's book *Zealot* as our guide, we will spend four weeks during the season of Lent seeking to better understand the context of Jesus' life, ministry, death, and resurrection. We will follow Scripture and use passages from Aslan's work to inform our conversation and discussion. While reading the book is not required, it will enhance your learning and discussion if you choose to read it.

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## GOOD INSIDE: A PODCAST DISCUSSION

Facilitated by Renee Harmon

**ECCLESIA-WINGARD CLASSROOM**

The podcast, "Good Inside with Dr. Becky," provides short episodes on parenting questions and actionable guidance with a breakthrough approach from a clinical psychologist. For four weeks, we will cover episodes that speak into different situations and instances parents may find themselves in today. While this group is geared specifically toward parents and families, all are welcome to attend and participate.

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Wednesday Night  
**DINNER &  
PROGRAMMING**