

04/04 EASTER FORUM

After the Sunrise Service and before the Festival Service at 10:30, Grace will be offering a delicious breakfast, as per usual, but this year we're adding a discussion forum to our time. Topic to be announced!

04/11—5/09 FAITH AND CULTURE

Race and Ethnicity

Based on our national church's social teaching statement, "Freed in Christ: Race, Ethnicity, and Culture," this course is about finding common ground with peoples of all races and cultures, and striving together for justice. Cultural diversity and mutual respect are more than a dream — they are very real possibilities, if we are aware and active on behalf of them.

05/16—06/27 LIVING THE QUESTIONS 2

Section two of a three section course. Please see the detail from 11/01-2009. The last section will be presented in the fall of this year.

Sunday Readings Study 07/04

07/11—08/29 NO EXPERIENCE

NECESSARY BIBLE STUDY

This Bible study assumes that God is speaking, that we can come as we are (wherever we are at), and that change happens! Each and every session is rooted in Lutheran teaching, so this course is appropriate for Bible scholars of all levels. There's always something new to learn.

Sunday Readings Study 09/05

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SCHEDULE 2009-2010



Sundays 9:00 am — Parlor

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to a new Christian Education year at Grace! We have attempted to provide a bit of a smorgasbord of offerings this year, with classes on the Bible, modern culture, church history, and even a little practical theology thrown in for good measure. It is a year designed to meet almost any interest at all.

Christian Ed is not something that should be put away after reaching adulthood. It is a vital part of every spiritual journey, and augments our worship lives tremendously — *especially* as adults. It can also be a lot of fun. Plan on spending some time with us this year, will you?

09/13-2009 BACK-TO-SCHOOL SUNDAY

This day has historically been called “Rally Day” in the Lutheran church, a day when children and families were rallied back into the wonders of Sunday School. Well, we’re just not your ordinary Lutheran church, so we’ve changed the name, but not the purpose of the day.

Come for a yummy breakfast at 9 am, and hear all about the excitement that has been planned for you!

09/20–10/18 TEXTS OF HORROR

Have you ever read a particularly difficult passage in the Bible, shuddered, and wondered, “What was God *thinking?*” Well, then, this course is right up your alley. Come and hear what the Lutheran church (and Pastor Lura) have to say about the slaughter of the innocents, about why you should cut a woman’s fingernails before raping her, and more.

If you know of any particularly confusing or distressing Bible stories, bring them to Pastor Lura in advance so that she can include them in this course.

Sunday Readings Study 10/25

11/01– 12/20 LIVING THE QUESTIONS I

What’s next for Christianity? Have we become irrelevant? This DVD course presents the view that there is a lot of life in this religion, yet. Rather than presenting this view in a format that gives all the answers, however, active questioning is not only encouraged, but required.

This 21-week course will be presented in two 7-week sessions during this education year, and one in the fall of next. Don’t miss a one!

Sunday Readings Studies 11/29 & 12/27

01/03–31-2010 FAITH AND CULTURE

Human Trafficking

Homelessness

Sexual Exploitation

As we prepare to start our mission to this area’s lgbt street youth, it is important to recognize the struggles they face every day, and to learn as much as possible about these struggles. You will not only learn things that you never knew, you will be enabled to put them into a faith-based frame of reference.

02/07–03/28 HER STORY: WOMEN IN

CHRISTIAN TRADITION

Come learn about the often ignored or repressed stories of the role of women in the Christian tradition. The book covers women’s history from the times of the early church, to the Western medieval past, to the Reformation, and on into the work of Christian women in America.