



Learn from the Risen Lord in Sunday School! Sundays at 10am, May 1-29



Short-term classes run May 1-29 and include Keeping the Fire Alive and Seven: An Experimental Mutiny Against Excess. Ongoing classes include the Fellowship Class, Alpha and Omega, Contemporary Discussions, and Martin's Table.

Seven: An Experimental Mutiny Against Excess – Downstairs Conference Room (4/3-5/29)

7 is both a story and a study: the story of one family taking seven months to fight back against the modern-day diseases of greed, materialism, and overindulgence. In the study we'll start that same experiment, at whatever level you choose, in seven key areas: food, clothes, spending, media, possessions, waste, and **stress**. The goal? A call to Christ-like simplicity, radical generosity, and a desire to decrease so that God may increase in us.

Fellowship Class—M02, the Clara Sullivan Room, near the Sanctuary

Have you ever wanted to see the Scriptures come to life? In a movie telling of the Gospel of John, they do just that. Each week, this class will watch and discuss a portion of the gospel to hear God speak among them. Join Joan & Charlie Powell, Bob Lee, and the Fellowship Class to dig into John's Gospel.

Alpha & Omega—L08, under the sanctuary

Judy Lybrand leads a thorough and friendly study that walks the whole Bible through chapter by chapter. They are reading through the book of Job, with its timeless conversation about pain and God.

Martin's Table: God in America—Parish Life Center Conference Room (4/3-5/29)

Using the narrative of the video series "God in America," we will learn and discuss how the beliefs and experience of the European immigrants in America have shaped the ideals, beliefs, and social structure of our nation. David Holt and David Dempsey will guide the discussion as we seek a better understanding of our own faith in our encounter of the diversity of faith in America.

Keeping the Fire Alive – Upstairs Conference Room

Pastor Emily will lead this DVD-based discussion. The spiritual journey often takes twists and turns through territory that is uncharted and unexplored. Where do we go for direction? In this follow up to *Catching Fire*, *Becoming Flame*, Fr. Albert Haase mines our rich spiritual tradition for presentations that become a road map and guide for the difficult terrain of the soul.

Contemporary Discussions – Parish Life Center Senior Room

Theologian Karl Barth is said to have instructed his students to read with the Bible in one hand and newspapers in the other, but to interpret the newspapers by the Bible. This class, led by Dick Conn, seeks to do just that as they relate current world events to God's Word.



Children's Sunday School Each week, children ages 3 through 5th grade study the same Bible stories we hear in worship, engaging them in fresh ways with friendly teachers. Toddlers up through age two have their own lessons as well, lead in the nursery.



Confirmation class for all middle school students meets in L12 with Pastor Mike. They are studying the New Testament this year as part of a three-year confirmation cycle.



High School students meet in the Youth Room of the Parish Life Center to connect faith with daily life. Their leaders are Corey Carson and Kevin Lageman.

Celebrate
May 15th



PENTECOST &
CONFIRMATION
SUNDAY

Congratulations to the 11 students
who are being confirmed at the
Ilam worship service

(see details in the newsletter on page 6)