



small GROUPS

Winter 2015 catalog

Semester begins Feb. 1st

Twenty-three small groups are offered this semester at Ingomar Church. Groups are listed chronologically and each is numbered. **To register via the CONNECT cards during worship, simply indicate the group number on the back of the CONNECT card ... or register online at ingomarchurch.org.**

MEN

1. Weekly Scripture

Join this group to discuss and go deeper into the weekly sermon scripture.

- ▶ Sunday, 10:10 a.m. - 11:10 a.m.
- ▶ Community Life Center, Room 125A
- ▶ Rolen Burnette

ADULTS

2. Adult United Methodist Series

Stimulating lessons that explore the biblical message and how to apply it to daily life. Move from a focus on the Word to reflection on personal, family, church, and community concerns.

- ▶ Sunday, 10:10 a.m. - 11:10 a.m.
- ▶ Worship and Education Center Conference Room
- ▶ Lois Rippin

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3. TBD by group

It's always something interesting!

- ▶ Sunday, 10:10 a.m. - 11:10 a.m.
- ▶ Worship and Education Center, Room 116
- ▶ Ryan and Catherine Baker

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4. Bible Study

Serendipity Bible Study focused on the Scripture of the morning.

- ▶ Sunday, 10:10 a.m. - 11:10 a.m.
- ▶ Worship and Education Center, Room 114
- ▶ Jan Lamm

MARRIED COUPLES, ENGAGED COUPLES AND THOSE THINKING OF MARRIAGE

5. *The Meaning of Marriage*

by Timothy Keller

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- ▶ Sunday, 10:10 a.m. - 11:10 a.m.
- ▶ Community Life Center, Room 125B
- ▶ Dale Hayden

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6. *Proof of Heaven: A Neurosurgeon's Journey*

by Eben Alexander

Alexander's story is not a fantasy. Before he underwent his journey, he could not reconcile his knowledge of neuroscience with any belief in heaven, God, or the soul. Today Alexander is a doctor who believes that true health can be achieved only when we realize that God and the soul are real and that death is not the end of personal existence but only a transition.

- ▶ Sunday, 10:10 a.m. - 11:10 a.m.
- ▶ Worship and Education Center, Room 218
- ▶ Tom Kendig

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ARTHRITIS SUFFERERS

7. Arthritis Foundation Exercise Group

This wellness ministry outreach class is an on-going, year-round small group following the recommendations of the Arthritis Foundation for gentle, joint-safe exercises developed specifically to relieve the stiffness of arthritic joints, decrease arthritis pain and improve balance. Leaders have been trained through the Arthritis Foundation.

- ▶ Monday / Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
- ▶ Community Life Center, Room 124A
- ▶ Bev Aufman

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8. Cards and Games

Do you like to play “mildly competitive” card and board games? Consider joining this group on the last Monday of each month. We break at noon to enjoy a brown bag lunch.

- ▶ Monday (last Monday of each month), 10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- ▶ Community Life Center, Room 124A
- ▶ Ginny Haiges

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9. No-Homework Women’s Bible Study

Are you a woman? Are you new to being a Christian? Do you want a refresher? Then this group is for you! Join this 8-week small group to discuss topics specific to the experiences of women based on The Bible. The group calls for everyone to be present and active during the meetings with manageable weekly action steps outside the group. No homework! Our book is *The No-Homework Women’s Bible Study: Group Hug* by Christine Tate.

- ▶ Monday, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- ▶ Community Life Center, Room 109
- ▶ Dianne Glave

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10. *Children of the Day*

by Beth Moore

Join Beth Moore and walk the shores of Thessalonica with this verse-by-verse Bible study of 1 and 2 Thessalonians. During this nine-week study, you’ll learn how to let go of past mistakes and discover your circumstances are not coincidental; God’s timing is impeccable! Whether you’re facing family crises, medical diagnoses, relationship troubles, doubts, or fears, you’ll come away encouraged that even though it may not feel that way, you are exactly where Christ wants you to be!

- ▶ Monday, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- ▶ Community Life Center, Room 125A
- ▶ Robin Macon and Megan DelGrosso

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11. Family Support Group

If you are helping a loved one with any health issues – either in your home, or from a distance, even if they are in a facility – this is the group for you.

We can’t do this work by ourselves. When we stay in our own little worlds – struggling alone, just doing what we have to do to get by – our loved one’s degenerating condition slowly consumes our time and makes our world smaller day by day. We need outside support to help us step outside our boxes, learning from the experience of other people. If nothing else, it helps to know we are not alone. This group will allow you to share your situation, learn how others are dealing with similar issues, and learn from experts via video and speakers. Join us monthly as we explore the joys and difficulties of caring for our loved ones.

- ▶ Tuesday (1st of each month), 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- ▶ Worship and Education Center Library
- ▶ Margie Martinelli

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12. Kerygma

The *Bible in Depth* is a comprehensive exploration of the Bible and its meanings for life today. Where Disciple Bible Study focused on the books of the Bible, Kerygma emphasizes themes such as: God Saves a People, God’s People Have Leaders, and God’s People Have Hope. Each of 10 themes trace related stories and events through both Testaments. This is an exciting course of study to reflect deeply on the scriptures, faith and life. This 34-week study group will meet until June, break for the summer and resume in September.

- ▶ Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
- ▶ Community Life Center, Room 125A
- ▶ Janet Ruckel

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13. *With All Your Heart*

by Ray Vander Laan

The exodus of the Hebrew people from Egypt to the Promised Land was more than a compassionate act of divine deliverance. It was God’s calling of a people to be his “treasured possession,” who would put him on display for the whole world to see. God, in effect, took Israel as his bride, and the people promised to do everything God commanded. But vows do not make a marriage, and the Israelites would have to learn to love and obey their God. In this study we will discover how quickly the Israelites forgot God and began to rely on themselves.

- ▶ Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- ▶ Community Life Center, Room 107
- ▶ Tom Kendig

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14. *24 Hours that Changed the World*

by Adam Hamilton (a Lenten Study)

No single event in human history has received more attention than the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth. In this Lenten journey, Adam Hamilton guides us through the last twenty-four hours of Jesus' life. Each chapter helps the reader experience and understand the significance of Jesus' suffering and death like never before. Whether readers are long-time Christians or simply curious about the story of Christ's crucifixion, they are invited to join the author in retracing the last 24 hours of Jesus' life.

- ▶ Wednesday, 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
- ▶ Community Life Center, Room 109
- ▶ Darlene Brideweser

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15. *The Christian Atheist: Believing in God but Living as if He Doesn't Exist*

by Craig Groeschel

In this six-session DVD group study, pastor and author Craig Groeschel leads you and your group on a personal journey toward an authentic, God-honoring life. Become more than "Christian in name" through this eye-opening look into the ways you can surrender to God completely, living every day depending upon the Holy Spirit.

- ▶ Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- ▶ Worship and Education Center Conference Room
- ▶ Tom Kendig

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16. *Knitters*

Experienced and beginner knitters and crocheters are welcome. The group does some charity work by knitting prayer shawls, baby blankets or chemo caps.

- ▶ Thursday, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- ▶ Community Life Center, Room 109
- ▶ Heather Boyd

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17. *Forgotten God*

by Francis Chan

Francis Chan reminds us of the true source of the church's power-- the Holy Spirit. Chan contends that we've ignored the Spirit for far too long, and that without Him, we operate in our own strength, accomplishing only human sized results.

This 7-session DVD series offers a compelling invitation to understand, embrace, and follow the Holy Spirit's direction in our lives.

- ▶ Thursday, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- ▶ Community Life Center, Room 125A
- ▶ Gwen Schwartz

MEN

18. *Fisher of Fish*

Guys interested in fishing! Focus will be on one of the Bible's favorite fishermen...Peter. Bring your Bible and your best fish stories!!

- ▶ Thursday (1st & 3rd each month), 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- ▶ Worship and Education Center Library
- ▶ Bart Roberts

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- ▶ Community Life Center, Room 125B
- ▶ Dale Hayden

Small groups provide opportunities to increase learning, to deepen our relationships with Jesus, and to draw closer and share life with others, growing together in community.

Whether you are new to Ingomar Church, or a long-time member, you are invited and encouraged to join a small group today and discover what good things God has in store for you.

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20. *Plan B*

by Pete Wilson

Broken dreams and disappointments can be a source of healing and a pathway to eventual growth. During this 6-week study, you will begin to experience God's help and see God at work in your life and each other's. Bringing you an understanding of Jesus' words when He said: "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble but take heart! I have overcome the world." John 16:33 (NIV)

- ▶ Thursday, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- ▶ Community Life Center, Room 109
- ▶ David Streets

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21. *Why? Making Sense of God's Will*

by Adam Hamilton

Where is God when tragedy and suffering strike?

When the ground shakes, and a poor nation's economy is destroyed; when the waters rise, washing away a community's hopes and dreams; when a child suffers neglect and abuse; when violence tears apart nations; where is God? If God is all powerful, and if each one of us is a beloved child of God, then how can God allow tragedy and suffering to infest his creation? In *Why?*, best-selling author Adam Hamilton brings fresh insight to the age-old question of how to understand the will of God. Rejecting simplistic answers and unexamined assumptions, he lays out core ideas for comprehending God's plan for the world, including:

- God will not take away our free will, even when we use it to grieve him.
 - God will never abandon us, especially in the midst of our suffering.
 - While God is not the author of suffering, God will bring blessing out of tragedy.
- ▶ Thursday, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
 - ▶ Gibson Home
 - ▶ Russ Gibson

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22. *TGIF at Kings*

Start the day with breakfast and Upper Room inspiration!

- ▶ Friday, 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.
- ▶ King's Restaurant, Rte. 910 in Wexford
- ▶ Laurie Barcaskey and Johnna Chicots

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23. *Jesus is _____.*

by Judah Smith

This 8-week DVD-based study will help participants discover how to have a deeper, lasting relationship with Jesus, and to commune with and grow in Him. Judah Smith will show you that Jesus is more than a good teacher, more than an inspiring leader. He is the point of all life.

- ▶ Friday, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- ▶ Pietrzyk Home
- ▶ Jami Pietrzyk

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