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GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER

Spring 2012

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

(see back for detailed description of classes)

Book of Confessions	FLC 105	Book of Confessions
Explorers	FLC 107	Various Video-based Studies
Spiritual Gifts	Parlor	Going Deep/Growing Deep
MP3s <i>(Marriage, Parenting, and the Trinity)</i>	FLC 106	Various Studies
Present Word	FLC 104	God's Creative Word/ God's Call for Justice
Women's Class	FLC 109	"Why?" by Adam Hamilton
HS 9th-12th/College	FLC 102	The Gospels
Middle School 6-8th	FLC 103	The Bible--Our Book of Faith
3-5	CMB #4	Group's Hands-On-Bible
K-2	CMB #5	Group's Hands-On-Bible
Babies, Toddlers, & Preschool	CMB #2	Group's Play-n-Worship

For additional information, contact the church office or contact Jennifer Agarwal,
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St. Mark Presbyterian Church

Join Us In Worship!

Contemporary Service 9:00 - 10:00 am; Traditional Service 11:10 am - 12:10 pm

Sunday School 10:10 - 11:00 am

Childcare provided during services

Book of Confessions, FLC 105, Book of Confessions-This class discusses the 11 confessional documents presented in our Book of Confessions, which is Part 1 of the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). (Part 2 is our Book of Order.) Ranging from ancient times (Nicene Creed) through the Reformation (Westminster Confession) to the modern era (Declaration of Barmen), these documents encompass both history and theology, explaining to our members and the world who and what the Presbyterian Church is, what Presbyterians believe, and what those beliefs inspire us to do.

Explorers Adult Sunday School, FLC 107, Various Video-based studies-This class enjoys topic and issue-oriented studies with a Biblical basis. Format of most classes is a short video followed by a class discussion. Class topics to be studied in 2012: **Parables from the Back Side** – J Ellsworth Kalas, on faculty of the Asbury Methodist Seminary, helps us look at the familiar parables in new and unexpected ways. **The Me I Want to Be** - John Ortberg, pastor of Menlo Park Presbyterian Church, teaches what it means to be God's best.

Spiritual Gifts, Parlor, Going Deep/Growing Deep-The Bible tells us that God is the ultimate gift-giver, the giver of "every good and perfect gift" (James 1:17). God has given to all who follow him spiritual gifts which empower them to serve others in the body of Christ. This workshop is designed to help each member fulfill their unique calling by discovering their personal gifts, style, and ministry, so that they can serve as God wills them.

MP3 (Marriage, Parenting, and the Trinity), FLC 106, Various studies-This class discusses various topics related to marriage and parenting in the context of scripture. Studies include video-based curriculums ranging from 8-12 weeks. This class enjoys fellowship time outside of the classroom during the course of the year. Class topics to be studied in 2012: **Boundaries in Marriage** and **24 Hours That Changed the World** (A Lenten study).

Present Word, FLC 104, God's Creative Word/God's Call for Justice-This class studies the Present Word curriculum, a quarterly publication of The Presbyterian Church (USA). In the Spring the focus will be "God's Creative Word" and the books of Proverbs and John. This summer the subject studied will be "God's Call for Justice." The focus will be on various portions of Old Testament scripture.

Women's Class, FLC 109, Why?'by Adam Hamilton-Why does God allow pain and suffering? Why do my prayers go unanswered? Why can't I see God's will for my life? Why should I trust God when nothing seems to make sense? Adam Hamilton's video-based study "*Why? Making Sense of God's Will*" explores some of the "why" questions we often ask in suffering.

HS 9th-12th/College, FLC 102, The Gospels-Teens and young adults enjoy a discussion-type class focusing on the Gospels. The new year will start off with an in-depth look at the Sermon on the Mount, which will then be followed by the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Middle School 6th-8th, FLC 103-This class is studying a curriculum presented by The Presbyterian Church (USA) entitled "The Bible: Our Book of Faith." Discussions focus on how kids can best understand scripture, different components of the Bible, and how the Bible became what we read today.

Kinder-5th grade, CMB #5, Group Publishing's Hands-On Bible-This class uses a curriculum designed to help children learn important Bible truths as though Jesus, himself, were teaching them. Kids enjoy skits, role-playing, and hands-on activities all while learning Bible stories and how they impact their lives today.

Babies, Toddlers, Preschool, CMB #2, Group Publishing's Play-n-Worship-Purposeful play and joy-filled worship videos unite to take the kids on an amazing journey! They're moving to the music, connecting with the song videos, and discovering Bible truths through play.