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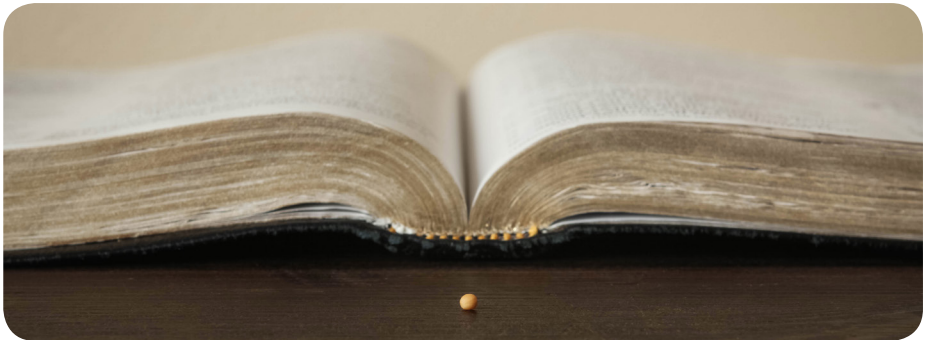
Adult Education

FALL 2018 • COURSE CATALOGUE v.2

LifeGroups, Marriage Enrichment, Men's & Women's Ministry, Leadership & Staff Training

INTRODUCTION

*"So He was saying, "What is the kingdom of God like, and to what shall I compare it?" "It is like a **mustard seed**, which a man took and threw into his own garden; and **it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the air nested in its branches.**" And again He said, "To what shall I compare the kingdom of God?" "It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three pecks of flour until it was all leavened." - Luke 13:18-21*



The parables of the Mustard Seed and Leaven speak about the expansion of something that starts out small and grows large. The context of these parables is the Kingdom of God. The thought is that this Kingdom is now expanding beyond the small nation of Israel to the great expanse of Gentiles throughout the world. These parables are no less true today than when Christ first taught them. The Kingdom of God is still expanding, and it is doing it the same way, through a mustard seed that someone throws into a garden, or with leaven hidden in three pecks of flour. Let me give you an example of one way RB Community Church is casting a mustard seed and hiding leaven.

We are starting the RB Community Church College of the Bible! It's just a mustard seed of an idea. A little leaven for our Adult Education flour. We are not accredited. We have only a few classes and fewer instructors. But I believe that one day the birds of the air will nest in its branches! Until that day arrives, we must tend to its growth within the garden of our ministries. So, here is how we are casting our mustard seed.

The College of the Bible is going to begin with ten tracks which students can follow that will lead to a "major," and/or "minor." When students reach a certain number of credit hours within a track they will receive a certificate.

The Certificate Majors are:

1. Christian Ministry
2. Biblical Studies
3. Theology
4. Christian Leadership
5. Missions



The Certificate Minors are:

1. Church Health and Growth
2. Spiritual Formation
3. Teaching
4. Theology and the Arts
5. Youth Ministry

You will still be able to take any class you like, but if you declare a major or minor, there will be a selection of courses you can take that will lead to the Certificate. If you don't declare a major or minor, you will automatically be on the Christian Ministry track.

Gateway Class

To make your declaration, and to register in the College of the Bible, you will need to take the "Gateway Class" which will be offered various times throughout the year. You will note in this Course Catalogue that the class is offered twice this Fall Semester. ***You only need to attend one set of 3 classes.***

- Wednesdays, September 26, October 3 and 10
- Wednesdays, November 28, December 5, and 12

The Gateway Class will be held in Lower Fireside, and will be taught by Rev. Dr. Bryan Stamper, our Senior Pastor. If you have questions, or are a bit confused as we start this new ministry, please contact me, I will be happy to talk with you.

INTRODUCTION

If you would like to teach a class, or know someone who could, I would love to talk with you about the possibilities.

For the Fall Semester, beginning the week of September 16, we are offering some new and returning courses. Speaking of parables, if you would like to know more about them you can take the class, "A Study of the Parables of Jesus Christ" beginning Monday, September 17th. This will be taught by Ken Baits. Ken has participated in our Adult Education ministry and has done some serious study on the parables. He has chosen the textbook, "What do Jesus' Parables Mean?" by R.C. Sproul. I am very excited that we can offer this class on the parables, and I encourage you to take it!

Irene Dunny returns to teach the two week class, "Journaling: A Pathway to Mindfulness" on Thursday evenings, which will be followed by the two week class "Meditation on Scripture" with Kathy Wesley. Both classes were well received by students in the Summer Semester.

Our Wednesday nights will have a new focus on the right spiritual "H.A.B.I.T.S." that will help you grow more like Christ in character and Christian maturity. Come join the fun with Wednesday Night Dinner followed by an opportunity to get some practical suggestions for cultivating your faith! This class will be taught by Rev. Dr. Bryan Stamper.

Don't forget to take a look at some of the Special Workshops that are being offered this semester. On October 9th, we have "Tax Reform and You." This will be a very practical and interactive workshop that you won't want to miss. And our Marriage Enrichment Ministry is offering the "Lead Your Family Like Jesus" workshop on October 14, 21, and 28. With Margie and Ken Blanchard leading, and FREE childcare offered, you will want to mark those dates on your calendar!

Many thanks to all who take part in our Education and Discipleship Ministry; the teachers, students, and Education and Discipleship Team Members who are growing the mustard tree!

If you have questions, or would like to learn more about the Education and Discipleship opportunities here at RB Community Church, which include: The College of the Bible, Life Groups, Men's and Women's Ministry, Staff and Leadership Training, and Marriage Enrichment, please contact me at john@rbccpc.org or 858.444.7666.

In Gratitude,

Rev. John M. Scholte

Pastor of Adult Christian Education
and Discipleship

II Corinthians 5:17



ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

A Study of the Parables of Jesus Christ



Mondays, Sept. 17-Nov. 12 | 6:00-7:30 pm
Lower Fireside

Instructor: Ken Baits

Text: What do Jesus' Parables Mean? -R.C. Sproul

Course Description:

A study of the parables of Jesus Christ found in the four gospels of the New Testament in which the following objectives are examined:

- A. The words, forms, and themes of the Parables of Jesus Christ
- B. What the parables tell us about God, God's nature and how God works in our lives.
- C. How we are reflected in the parables as they call us to biblical truth.
- D. The significance of the parables to our church's health and witness to our community.



Ken Baits

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Journaling: A Pathway to Mindfulness



Thursdays, September 20 & 27 | 6:00-7:30 pm
Upper Courtside

Instructor: Irene Dunny

Materials: blank journal, writing utensils

Course Description:

This class provides you with practical tools that develop the discipline of journaling. Exploring some of the physical, mental, and spiritual reasons that keep us from this practice frees you to learn methods of developing a closer walk with God, others and the world around you. Discover how journaling can lead to a "mindfulness" of God's impact on your life.



Irene Dunny

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Meditation on Scripture



Thursdays, October 4 & 11 | 6:00-7:30 pm

Upper Courtside

Instructor: Kathy Wesley

Materials: Provided

Course Description:

Take this opportunity to practice being still and sitting in God's presence. Reflect on how God is speaking to you through His Word. This approach lets scripture become a source of spiritual nourishment and prayer.



Kathy Wesley

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Tied in Prayer: Quilt Basics & More



Tuesdays, starting September 18 | 6:00-8:30 pm

Skylight

Facilitator: Kathy Wesley

Materials: Provided

Course Description:

Come join the fun, fellowship and sewing on Tuesday evenings as we learn a variety of techniques while completing quilts to share as part of the "Tied in Prayer" ministry. The projects change frequently. This group is open to all skill levels, although a basic knowledge of sewing is helpful. Basic sewing/quilting supplies are provided. Feel free to join in as your schedule permits.



Kathy Wesley

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ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

Gateway ‡



This class is offered twice during the Fall Semester. You only need to attend one set of 3 classes:

Wednesdays, September 26 and October 3 & 10
6:00-7:30 pm
Lower Fireside

OR

Wednesdays, November 28 and December 5 & 12
6:00-7:30 pm
Lower Fireside

Instructors:

Rev. Dr. Bryan Stamper & Rev. John M. Scholte

Text: Various handouts provided

Course Description:

This class is designed to be the Gateway to your connection to the ministries of RB Community Church and the RB College of the Bible. You will learn how to join a small group, get an opportunity to discover your spiritual gifts and understand the part you play in the vision of RB Community Church.



Deborah Kelly

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‡ *Life-Changing Spiritual H.A.B.I.T.S. coincides with this course*

Comparative Religions



Thursdays, September 20 - November 29
(No class Thanksgiving week) | 10:00-11:30 am
Pineview

Instructor: Rev. John M. Scholte

Text: REL by Dr. Robert Van Voorst

Course Description:

This course is an introduction to the major religions of the world and the primary figures associated with those religious systems. Students will study the content of religious beliefs and examine the rituals and practices through which those beliefs are expressed as compared to Christianity.



Pastor John

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Introduction to Theology I



Wednesdays, September 19 - November 28
(No class Thanksgiving week) | 4:00-5:00 pm

Lower Fireside

Instructor: Rev. John M. Scholte

Text: Systematic Theology Made Easy

- C. Matthew McMahon (eBook)

Course Description:

This course introduces students to Christian theology. It begins with an overview of Reformed Theology with primary attention given to a systematic view. The subject matter includes consideration of foundational theological vocabulary.



Pastor John

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ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

Life-Changing Spiritual H.A.B.I.T.S. ‡

Wednesdays, September 19 - November 28
(No class Thanksgiving week) | 6:00-7:00 pm



Lower Fireside

Instructor: Rev. Dr. Bryan Stamper

Text: Various handouts provided

Course Description:

Dr. Stamper will lead you through the right Habits that will help you grow in godliness. "H.A.B.I.T.S." stands for six categories of Spiritual Disciplines which include:

- Holy Time
- Accountability
- Biblical Study
- Investments
- Testimony
- Sabbath

By illustrating why the disciplines are important, showing how each one will help you grow in godliness, and offering practical suggestions for cultivating them, these "habits" of the Christian Life will provide you with a refreshing opportunity to become more like Christ and grow in character and Christian maturity.



Steven Karras

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‡ *This class coincides with the Gateway course*

Quilting Seminar

Saturday, October 13 | 9:30 am - 2:00 pm



Skylight

Instructor: Kathy Wesley

Materials: Provided

Course Description:

Whether you are a beginning quilter, an intermediate quilter or just want to refresh some of your skills, you are welcome to join the "Tied in Prayer" quilt ministry members as we devote this time to projects in support of some of the RB Community Church ministries. From cutting squares, to making small quilts for children and holiday placemats for college students, to creating lap quilts for some of our shut-ins, there is something for all skill levels. This is a great way to meet others. If you have a portable sewing machine, please bring it along, all other supplies are provided. Can't stay the whole time? Drop by as you can!



Kathy Wesley

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SPECIAL WORKSHOPS

Tax Reform and You



Tuesday, October 9 | 6:30 pm
Lower Fireside

Instructors: Mark Huxhold, C.P.A. & Maggie Harmon

Course Description:

The Special Gifts & Endowment Task Force has invited experts in the fields of taxes and charitable giving to help assess how the recent tax reform bill might affect our tax planning. A local tax expert will provide answers to what increased exemptions will mean to you, your taxes, and your charitable contributions.

Mark Huxhold, C.P.A., is a graduate of SDSU in finance, and is a partner of Huxhold & Associates, a full-service accounting firm. Maggie Harmon has a background in law, management consulting, and leadership development and is currently the Ministry Relations Officer for the Southwest with the Presbyterian Foundation.



Nancy Hylbert

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CPR.AED Course -or- First Aid Course



Hands-On Skills Practice & Testing Portion:
Saturday, October 27 | 10:00 am

Instructors: Parish Nurse Team

Course Description:

Fall 2018 CPR classes involve a 2-step process:

Choose an online video-based training and complete at home on your computer before 10/18/18. Then, complete the hands-on skills practice and testing session at RB Community Church. RSVP by October 18.



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Lead Your Family Like Jesus

Sundays, October 14, 21 & 28 | 11:30 am-2:00 pm
High School Room (Upstairs)



Instructors: Margie & Ken Blanchard

Sponsored by the Marriage Enrichment Team

Course Description:

Want to lead your family with Jesus as your role model? Please join Margie, and co-author, Ken Blanchard for a workshop based on the best-selling book. It's for parents, parents-to-be, grandparents, singles, aunts, uncles, couples, those who work with children, yes...just about everyone! Find out how we, by being servant leaders, can help develop Christ-centered homes where our mission focuses on integrity, love, grace, humility and forgiveness.

This free Workshop will reveal practical principles from Jesus' life that will cut stress and bring new joy and purpose--inspiring and entertaining. Free Childcare provided through the church Fine Arts Academy or by reservation. Sponsored by the Marriage Enrichment Team.



Tony & Joy Cook
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ON-GOING BIBLE STUDIES

Seekers Bible Study



Wednesdays | 10:00-11:00 am
Skylight

Instructor: Rev. Dr. Mofid Wasef

Description:

This class focuses on the cohesiveness of the Old and New Testaments as God's continuous story. Or, as Pastor Mofid says, "What is hidden in the Old Testament is revealed in the New Testament."



Pastor Mofid

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Wisdom for the Journey



Sundays starting September 16 | 10:00-11:00 am
Dormer East & West

Instructor: Rev. Dr. Bob Lauer

Description:

This class provides an intensive study of two books of the Bible—Hebrews and James. Outlines are provided for both books, and Bibles are available if you don't bring your own. The book of Hebrews is a hymn of praise to Jesus, who is our High Priest. We'll talk about what that means for our understanding of the triune God and for daily Christian living today. The book of James is God's prescription for spiritual, emotional, and interpersonal wholeness. It has been called the most practical epistle in the New Testament. Sometimes blunt, but always insightful, James covers a host of ways to maximize our effectiveness as Christians. Coffee and donut holes are served, and the fellowship is warm and accepting.



Rev. Dr. Bob Lauer

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Men @ RB Community Church



Thursdays | 6:00 am
Fellowship Center

Facilitator: Rev. John M. Scholte

Description:

All men are invited to attend this early morning group which focuses on supporting and encouraging men to study God's Word and to live out their faith each day. Various studies are covered throughout the year.



Pastor John

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Men & Women's Community Bible Studies (CBS)



Mondays starting September 10 | 6:55-8:30 pm
Sanctuary (for men); Chapel (for women)

Facilitators: Gary Williams & Wanda Insley

Description:

CBS provides a 30-week in-depth study this year of Matthew. Matthew wrote by the power of the Holy Spirit, primarily to his fellow Jews, proving through Scripture that Jesus' life and ministry fulfilled the Old Testament prophecies concerning the Messiah. In studying this Gospel, you can clearly hear Matthew's message: "Jesus is indeed the long-awaited Jewish Messiah, the King of kings and Lord of lords, Immanuel, God with us!"



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Wanda Insley (CBS Women)

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ON-GOING BIBLE STUDIES

Women's Community Bible Study



**Thursdays starting September 6 | 9:15-11:15 am
Sanctuary**

Facilitator: Annabelle Andrews

Description:

"I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28:20

All women are invited to attend this non-denominational 30-week Bible Study on the Gospel of Matthew. CBS is a place to grow in your relationship with God and others. We offer a loving ministry for infants, preschool and primary students.



Annabelle Andrews

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Registration

ranchobernardo.cbsclass.org

Fees

\$35/adult; \$10/child

Crosstalk Bible Study (for men)



Fridays | 6:30-7:30 am

Lower Fireside

Facilitator: Ken Gerard

Description:

This class is an on-going men's Bible study that has met since 1982 and is comprised of men from all walks of life. Everyone is welcome. The class format features a brief lecture, in-depth discussion, and a time of fellowship following the class.



Ken Gerard

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Crosswalk Bible Study (for women)



Thursdays | 10:00-11:30 am

Lower Fireside

Facilitator: Marty Klusmeier

Description:

This study provides a chapter by chapter look at the Book of Genesis. It is designed to be an exciting and stimulating examination of "In the beginning..." and the events that follow. The study is structured so that people can join in at any time of the year and we meet year round. Lively discussions and group participation is encouraged. Everyone is welcome.



Marty Klusmeier

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ON-GOING BIBLE STUDIES

Serendipity Women's Bible Study



**Tuesdays starting September 25 | 9:30-11:30 am
Upper Fireside**

Facilitator: Linda Allen

Text: Study Guide (\$8)

Description:

Join us for a short time together to sing, connect and share before we divide into discussion groups to go over a lesson done at home. This Fall, we will be doing Hosea - few persons of Old Testament times had such remarkable perception and sensitivity of character. He functioned as a messenger and warner from God. In studying Hosea, we venture into a turbulent place of love and justice, promise and pain - close to the heart of God. Come and visit - bring a friend!



Linda Allen

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Tied in Prayer Ministry



**2nd & 4th Friday starting Sept. 14 | 9:30-11:30 am
Skylight**

Facilitator: Kathy Wesley

Materials: Bring projects from home

Course Description:

This is an opportunity to work on some of those UFO's (UnFinished prOjects) in your home. Bring along an unfinished project to work on and enjoy the company of others as you do so. Tables are set up to provide space to spread out to cut and sew. We also share ideas and provide assistance if needed.



Kathy Wesley

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM SUMMER 2018



The Three Kings



Spiritual Journaling



Share Your Faith Naturally



Recipes from the Bible



Biblical Views on Pop Culture



Sanctuary Organ Tour



LifeGroups

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." - John 15:5

Come and join a new ministry of RB Community Church called LifeGroups!

LifeGroups is a small group ministry that will primarily be held in people's homes. They will focus on one of the most important aspects of the Christian community: loving one another. Jesus was teaching about this when he said there are two primary Commandments, or laws, for us to follow. First, love God with all your heart, mind, and soul; and second, to love your neighbor as yourself. Paul explains in Galatians 6:2 how to make Christ's teaching a reality in our lives, "bear one another's burdens and thereby fulfill the law of Christ."

LifeGroups help us live out the teachings of Christ. Think about LifeGroups as a place that promotes healing. When life gets hard and threatens to overwhelm us, they are a place to find the needed support. A place to build people up. A little community of encouragement and accountability that helps us grow and assists us to continue running the race of Christian living. Where we pray for one another. A small community where God's movements in life are identified and uplifted and transformation takes place within the group. A place where we serve others in our group but also, through the support, encouragement, and confirmation of the group, launch out into the ministries of RB Community Church to use our Spiritual Gifts.

With the birth of this new ministry comes a new logo, which you see on this page. RB Community Church is very excited to unveil this logo, which captures the concept of our small group ministry. A cluster of grapes represents a small group. Each grape a person within the group and each group is a part of our LifeGroups ministry.

LIFEGROUPS

LifeGroups Kick-Off!



Wednesday, September 5

5:00 pm (Dinner) | 6:00 pm (Dessert & Kickoff)

Fellowship Center

Description:

In a church the size of RB Community it is easy to feel lost and disconnected. That is why we have small groups meeting in homes and on the church campus throughout the week as a regular part of our church life. This is an opportunity to connect with others and build relationships as we grow together in Christ. Within a group, we can explore our gifts as we care for each other as the body of Christ.

Are you part of a small group at RB Community? OR, are you interested in learning why small groups are such an important way to become connected to our church community? Join us on Wednesday, September 5 beginning at 5:00 in the Fellowship Center for the Wednesday night supper. A special dessert will be served on the courtyard for all involved in a small group or want to learn more. Pastor John will be there to share some exciting information about our new Life Group opportunities. You don't want to miss this kick-off event for our new Life Groups. The cost for dinner is \$7.50 per person or \$20 per family.

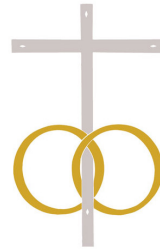


Kathy Wesley, LifeGroups Coordinator

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MORE OPPORTUNITIES

marriage ENRICHMENT



Marriage Enrichment is an important part of the Education & Discipleship ministries that RB Community Church offers to the community.

RB Community Church strives to strengthen marriages so they not only survive but also thrive in the way God designed marriages to be!

This ministry is led by The Marriage Enrichment Team - a group of couples who have a vision for a church and community where marriages and couples flourish. They offer Date Nights, Retreats, Classes, and Special Events throughout the year.



The Marriage Enrichment Team also offers engaged and young married couples the opportunity to partner with trained, volunteer couples to disciple them in building the foundation for a solid marriage.



Karen Kritzer

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Wednesday Night Suppers



Wednesdays | 5:00 pm
Fellowship Center

Pick up an orange menu card in the Welcome Center or other places on campus for a schedule of what's being served this Fall, as well as a list of prices.

Dinner for 12



Last Sunday of every month | 4:00 pm

Check out the Newsletter or the Upcoming Events section on our website for the next date & time:

rbcommunitychurch.org or rbcommunity.church

Are you looking for a new church home? Meet with Pastor Bryan in a relaxed setting to catch the vision at Dinner for 12. Space is limited, so RSVP soon!



Sheri Woodley
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PrimeTime for OWLS (Older Wiser Lively Saints)



Thursdays | 10:30 am
Fellowship Center

Check out the Newsletter or the Upcoming Events section on our website for the next date & time:

rbcommunitychurch.org or rbcommunity.church

Pick up the red PrimeTime schedule in the Welcome Center to see what's on this Fall's line up of delicious food and great entertainment! Luncheon and the program costs \$9 per person.



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