

# GPS Small Groups

God ☩ People ☩ Service

2020 Spring Semester



Monday Night Pub

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# Welcome

Want to get to know others in the church with similar interests and values? GPS groups are a practical way to connect and belong. These small groups help us deepen relationships with God and each other, all in a 6- to 12-week, small group setting.

Browse through the Spring GPS booklet and choose one or more that fit your interest and schedule. **Return your registration form to the office or register through the link in the enews by March 1** and see what a difference community can make in your life. Whether a member, guest or a friend-of-a-friend, GPS groups offer you a fun way to connect at Calvary.

## Spring 2020 GPS Groups at a Glance

Name	Day	Time	Frequency	Cost
<b>Book and Discussion Groups</b>				
Flipping The Script	Sundays	9–10 a.m.	Specific Dates	None
Exploring Expressions of Spirit	Wednesdays	6:30-8 p.m.	Specific Dates	None
Monday Night Pub	Mondays	7–8:30 p.m.	Weekly	Varies
Tuesday Bible Study	Tuesday	9:30-11 a.m.	Weekly	None
Tuesday Prayer & Study	Tuesday	9–10 a.m.	Weekly	\$5-\$16
<b>Special Interest</b>				
Baptist Film Fanatics (BFFs)	Saturdays	4:30 p.m.	Monthly	Varies
Calvary Men's Group	Fridays	Varies	Monthly	\$10-\$15
Calvary Women's Group	Varies	Varies	Monthly	\$10-\$15
Creativity & Conversation	Saturdays	10 a.m.–Noon	Weekly	None
Scrapbooking	Saturdays	9 a.m.–2 p.m.	Monthly	None



# Book and Discussion Groups



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## Exploring Expressions of Spirit

**Description:** We are so wonderfully made! In this five session small group, you'll explore tools that have been used throughout history to enhance our walk with God. The sessions will include historical and scientific context, discussion and hands-on practice. Session topics include journaling, art, music, movement, spoken words and silence. Come prepared to explore and experience a sampling of some of the countless ways to draw us deeper into spiritual practice. No experience is required.

**Dates:** Wednesdays, March 18, 25, April 8, 15, 29

**Time:** 6:30–8 p.m.

**Place:** Calvary Baptist Church

**Anticipated cost:** None

**Leader:** **Barbara Creswell** has a master's degree in non-profit management and is a graduate of the Benet Hill Spiritual Formation Program and a member of Spiritual Directors International. She retired from staff position at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus in 2018 and volunteers at several hospitals and travels with her husband to visit children and grandchildren. She has conducted spiritual growth workshops in Minnesota, Colorado, Australia and Great Britain. Her travels have taken her around the world, where she has explored multiple faith traditions and has participated in several spiritual pilgrimages.





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## Flipping The Script

**Description:** The Kingdom of God announced by Jesus appeared upside down in First Century Palestine. Jesus wins by serving and triumphs by losing. The Kingdom of God still looks upside down as it breaks into diverse cultures around the world. How does it challenge us?

**Dates:** Sundays, March 22, 29, April 5, 19, 26

**Time:** 9–10 a.m.

**Place:** Calvary

**Anticipated cost:** None.

**Optional Reading:** For more background read the Gospel of Luke and *The Upside Down Kingdom*, by Donald Kraybill (Herald Press).

**Leader:** **Chuck Goertz** is a retired pastor with experience in multi-ethnic/racial congregations. He is the son of missionary parents, having grown up in Germany.



# Monday Night Pub

**Description:** Join the discussion. Weekly discussions are led by member volunteers who select their own topic. There is no restriction on topic, just the good judgement of the presenter and appropriateness for the group.



Group members vary in age from the mid-20s to early 80s.

Drop-ins are always welcome!

**Dates:** Every Monday night, fall to spring, unless notified otherwise. A weekly reminder with the next leader and topic is emailed to group members on Sunday afternoon.

**Time:** 6 p.m. Dinner (optional); 7:15–8:30 p.m. Discussion

**Place:** Piccolo's Restaurant, Back Room, 3563 S. Monaco Pkwy, Denver, CO 80237, 303-757-5166 (diagonal from Calvary, across Monaco from Fire Station)

**Number of participants:** 10-30

**Anticipated cost:** Food/drink at the restaurant. Piccolo's does not charge us for the room, so please support the restaurant and tip the server generously.

**Leaders:** David Crane and David Ferguson are both long time Calvary members.



## Tuesday Morning Bible Study

**Description:** Tuesday Bible Study is a small group whose members share fellowship and prayer concerns. We study both the Bible and contemporary writings to better understand the message of Jesus, God's will for us, and our lives of discipleship. The current book is Josephus.

**Dates:** Tuesdays beginning Sept. 10.

**Time:** 9:30–11 a.m.

**Place:** Calvary Baptist Church Youth Lounge

**Anticipated cost:** None.

**Contact:** Rev. Alice Horner-Nelson

oversees church communications and leads Calvary's contemporary service called The Gathering. She and husband Matt have two cats, Molly and Mary Todd.

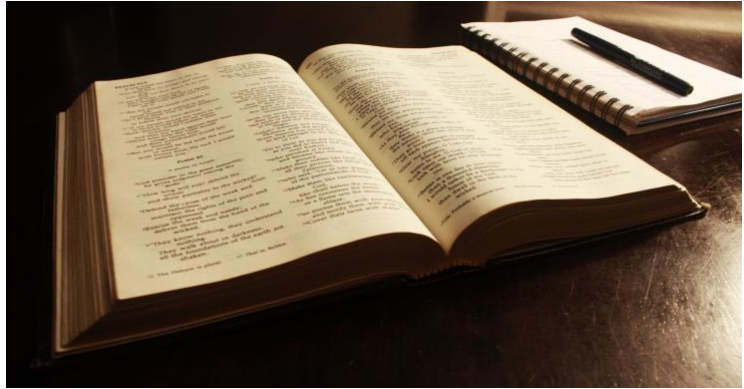


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## Tuesday Morning Prayer and Study Group

**Description:** Join us for a time of fellowship, prayer, and study as we read and discuss a book together. The current book is *The Universal Christ* by Richard Rohr. Please bring your own copy of the book. All are welcome!

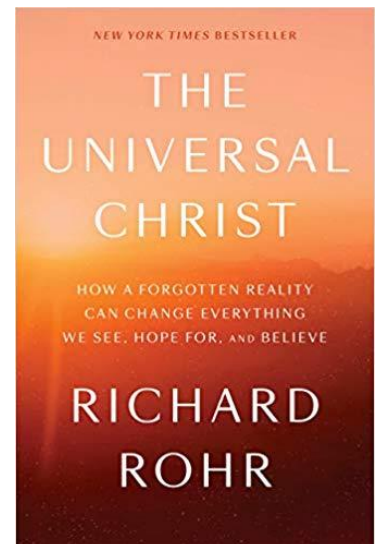
**Dates:** Tuesdays through May 19

**Time:** 9–10 a.m.

**Place:** Calvary Baptist Church Board Room

**Anticipated cost:** Cost of the book (\$5-\$16).

**Leaders:** Judy Griswold (coordinator) and Rev. Anne Jernberg Scalfaro (discussion facilitator).





# Special Interest Groups



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## Baptist Film Fanatics (BFFs)

**Description:** This is a movie discussion group which operates like a book club. Members share hosting, signing up to choose a movie and arranging for the discussion. Participants watch the movie on their own and come prepared for good discussion, fellowship and food.

**Dates:** Second Saturday of every month

**Time/Place:** 4:30 p.m. at Perkins Restaurant,  
1995 S. Colorado Blvd., Denver, CO 80222

**Number of Participants:** Maximum 12-15

**Anticipated cost:** cost of film + dinner monthly

**Additional group logistics or requirements:** Each member is responsible for the costs of seeing the film and the cost of food and beverages if the discussion is held at a restaurant. Hosts are responsible for food and drink in their homes, but may ask for donations.

**Leaders:** **Linda Fischer** is a marriage and family therapist working two and a half days per week. **Jim Armstrong** is a retired engineer/small business owner.



# Calvary Men's Group

**Description:** Through our fellowship and through our works, the Calvary Men's Group endeavors to be a positive outlet for men of varied backgrounds and skill sets to offer their experience and their shared American Baptist heritage to benefit each other and create value in our community. We focus our efforts in three major areas: fellowship, education, missions.

Past activities included a chili luncheon, a DU Hockey outing, and Top Golf. We encourage men of all ages to join us and plan some events at alternate times to allow working men to participate.

**Dates:** Last Friday of the Month (+ fellowship events)

**Time:** Typically 11 a.m. (times vary)

**Place:** Calvary Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

**Number of participants:** Unlimited

**Estimated cost:** \$10-\$15 per month



**Leaders:** We are led by a steering group of 7 men who meet over breakfast to plan our near-term direction. We empower our members to take on leadership roles for specific events or activities to support our mission.

Send your e-mail address to [davcpeter@gmail.com](mailto:davcpeter@gmail.com) to be notified of upcoming meetings.



# Calvary Women's Group

**Description:** The Calvary Women's Group exists to unite all women for fellowship, service and self-development. We are open to all women high school-age and above inside and outside the church.

**Dates:** Vary, but meets monthly. Future monthly gatherings will be advertised.

**Time:** Times vary

**Place:** Calvary Baptist Church

**Number of participants:** Unlimited. Guests are welcome.



**Leaders:** Led by committee. If you're interested or have questions contact Pam Chapman, [pachap@comcast.net](mailto:pachap@comcast.net).



# Creativity & Conversation

**Description:** Join this informal group for coffee, conversation and creativity – adult coloring, games, sewing, crafts, missions projects – whatever you choose, while enjoying fellowship, friendship and goodies. It's a great opportunity to meet others of all ages. Come, bring a friend and join the discussion.



**Dates:** Saturdays except seasonal breaks and Family Promise dates

**Time:** 10 a.m.–Noon.

**Place:** Calvary Baptist Church of Denver, Rooms 316/320

**Number of participants:** No limit

**Anticipated cost:** No cost. Coffee is furnished. Group members rotate bringing snacks.

## Leaders:

**Jeanine Crane** and her husband Dave came to Calvary in 1974 and were involved in youth ministry for years. Today they are members of the Caritas Class, have four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



**Debby Pilloud** joined Calvary in 1987. She has three daughters and six grandchildren. She is a member of the Voyager's church school class, a Stephen Minister, ABW Circle, sewing group and prepares communion each month.



**Norma Wick** has been a member of Calvary for 30 years. She is a member of the Caritas Class, Bethell Circle, and she volunteers in the church office. Norma is a retired Denver Public Schools teacher.







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Register through the link in the e-news or complete this registration form and return it to Deanna Geldens' box or the church office by Sunday, March 15.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- Baptist Film Fanatics (BFFs)
- Calvary Men's Group (*E-mail davcpeter@gmail.com to be notified of meetings.*)
- Calvary Women's Group
- Creativity & Conversation
- Exploring Expressions of the Spirit
- Flipping the Script
- Monday Night Pub (Formerly Theology Pub)
- Scrapbooking
- Tuesday Bible Study
- Tuesday Morning Prayer and Study Group