

GPS Small Groups

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2018 FALL SEMESTER



Calvary Baptist Church

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Welcome!

This small group ministry is a practical way to connect with others, grow in faith, and feel a sense of belonging. GPS focus on topics and personal passions or interests, to deepen relationships with God and with each other, all in a 6- to 12-week (September through November), topic-based, small group setting.

Take a look at the new GPS offerings and choose one that fits your interest and schedule. Return your registration form to the office or register through the link in the enews before September 10 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.

Hope you can join us!

Deanna Geldens, GPS Small Groups Coordinator

GPS Groups at a Glance Fall Semester 2018

Name	Day	Time	Frequency	Cost
Book & Discussion Groups				
Connections Class	Sundays	Various	Weekly	None
Monday Night Pub (formerly Theology Pub)	Mondays	7-8:30 p.m.	Weekly	Varies
The Inner Matrix	Wednesdays	7-8:30 p.m.	Weekly	\$18
Special Interest Groups				
Baptist Film Fanatics (BFFs)	Saturdays	TBD	Monthly	Varies
Creativity & Conversation	Saturdays	10 a.m.- noon	Weekly	None
Scrapbooking	Saturdays	9 a.m.- 2 p.m.	Monthly	None
Folded Book Art	Tuesdays	noon- 2 p.m.	Weekly	\$0-\$5
Jewelry Basics	Sundays	1-3:30 p.m.	Monthly	\$35+
Men's Group	Fridays	11 a.m.	Monthly	\$10-\$15

Connections Class

Description: This class is designed for those who are new to Calvary and/or those who are interested in becoming a member of our church. During the Sunday morning sessions, you will be introduced to key staff and lay leaders, church structure, ministry areas, service and small group opportunities, Calvary history and denominational affiliation, membership requirements, and more. In addition, we will learn more about you and how you would like to connect with Calvary.

On Nov. 4, you will have the opportunity to connect more personally with staff and lay leaders at the Scalfaro's home. On Nov. 11, class members will be given the opportunity to join the church together at the end of worship, and there will be a brief celebration reception after church for all class members.

Dates, Times and Locations:

Sundays: Oct. 14, 21, 28, 9–10 a.m. – Board Room

Nov. 4, 2–4 p.m. – Rev. Anne & Damon Scalfaro's Home

Nov. 11, 10:30 a.m.–Noon, Connection's Celebration – Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall

Number of participants: No limit



Anticipated cost: None

Leaders: Rev. Anne Scalfaro & Calvary Baptist Church Staff/Lay Leaders

Monday Night Pub

Description: Join the discussion. Members of the group lead discussions each week on a variety of topics. If you haven't attended, you're welcome to join us. We'll be chatting over a pint of beer, coffee, soda or water. This will be a casual time of conversation about faith, culture and other things that matter.

Dates: Mondays beginning September 17

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

Place: Piccolo's Restaurant: 3563 S. Monaco Pkwy, Denver, CO 80237; (303-757-5166)

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 the wait staff as you are able.

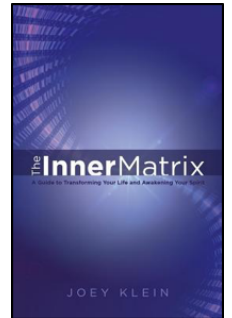


3563 S. Monaco Pkwy - one block South of East Hampden Ave.

The Inner Matrix

Description: We will have a book discussion using the book *The Inner Matrix*. We will look deeper into our mental, emotional and physical patterns that keep us from reaching our potential. Through sharing and meditating we will hope to experience:

- A greater sense of meaning and purpose in life
- More connected and fulfilling relationships
- The ability to overcome the daily stress of life
- Alleviation from depression, anxiety and insomnia
- The opportunity for interactive, hands on learning in a supportive environment.



Sounds too good to be true doesn't it? I have taken this class twice and have learned so much from it each time. This is why I want to share it with you.

Dates: Wednesdays, September 12–October 17

Time: 7–8:30 p.m.

Place: Calvary

Number of participants: 1-10

Anticipated cost: \$18 for the book



Leader: Becky Worford has been a member of Calvary for many years. She is married to Don and has two children, David and Tracy plus four grandsons. She taught in the Denver Public Schools for 31 years. At Calvary, she is currently involved in Bootstraps, Steven Ministries, Family Promise, Ribbons, choir and ABW Ministries.



Baptist Film Fanatics

Description: The BFF group is structured like a book club – watch the selected movie on your own time, then meet once a month for fellowship and discussion. Members will be assigned a month to host. Hosts are responsible for selecting the film (in theaters or a classic available on Netflix or Xfinity On-Demand) and designating the discussion venue (restaurant, their home, or some other location conducive to group discussion. The host will announce their film a month in advance and the discussion venue two weeks beforehand. Members have one week to RSVP, so the host can make reservations.

Dates: Second Saturday of every month.

Time/Place: Varies

Number of Participants: Maximum 12-15

Anticipated cost: cost of film + meal expenses

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.



Leader: John Kron has been a member of Calvary Baptist Church since 1976. He retired in 2016 after 42 years as a public school teacher. While mostly teaching drama, he also taught several film studies classes. He currently teaches in the Koinonia class, serves on the church council, and is a member of the task force for safety and security issues.

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 other Calvaryites of all ages. Come and bring a friend.

Dates: Saturdays

Time: 10 a.m.–Noon.

Place: Calvary Baptist Church of Denver

Number of participants: No limit

Anticipated cost: No cost



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.



Description: Do you have a scrapbook or memory book that you never have time to work on or one that you can't seem to get started? Join us once a month for fun and fellowship while we get our projects done!

Days: One Saturday per month, dates determined by the group.

Time: 9 a.m.–2 p.m.

Place: Calvary Baptist Church of Denver

Number of participants: 6-10

Anticipated cost: Bring your own project.



Leader: Becky Worford has been a member since 1977. She is a retired elementary school teacher and is married with two children and four grandsons. Becky says, "I love to scrapbook, but never have the time. I enjoy being able to come to church to scrapbook and visit with friends once a month."

Folded Book Art

Description: We will be repurposing used books into folded book art. Books will be supplied.

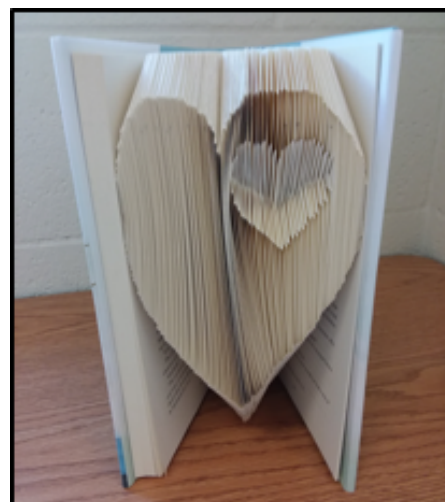
Dates: Tuesdays, October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, and November 6

Time: noon–2 p.m.

Place: Calvary Baptist Church

Number of participants: 2-10

Estimated cost: Purchase of a centimeter ruler (clear recommended) and a pencil



Leader: Cindy DeHate has attended Calvary since January 2010 and has been involved in various activities around the church. She is currently a co-coordinator for Family Promise, recruiting volunteers for each host week.



Description: Making jewelry is simple once you understand the tools and the techniques. Classes will consist of teaching time followed by practice, so you'll come away with pieces for yourself or to give as holiday gifts.

Dates: Sundays, September 30, October 21, November 11

Time: 1–3 p.m.

Place: Calvary Baptist Church

Number of participants: 5-12

Estimated cost: \$35 for tools and supplies plus the cost of beads

Additional group logistics or requirements: You will receive basic jewelry pliers and a crimping tool, plus wire, crimp beads, clasps, pins, hooks, findings and spacers for our projects. If you already have some jewelry tools, let me know and I'll adjust the price based on what you need.



Leader: Deanna Geldens has attended Calvary since 2009. She volunteers in nursery, coordinates GPS ministry, and participates in other church activities throughout the year.



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 to be notified of upcoming meetings.

GPS Small Group Norms

- I will make every effort to attend and participate openly in all meetings.
- I will be inclusive and respectful of others – open to all, closed to none.
- I will exercise generous listening and give everyone an opportunity to share.
- I will come to the group prepared.
- I will honor others by keeping personal details that are shared confidential.
- I will strive to build relationships with those in this group by showing care, providing the grace of encouragement, and praying for their needs.
- I will do my best to foster a positive, cohesive environment in my group.



Register through the link in the e-news or complete this registration form and return it to the church office by Monday, September 10.

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Phone:

Email:

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