GPS Small Groups

God People Service 2019 Spring Semester





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Welcome

GPS groups are a practical way to connect with others, grow in faith, and feel a sense of belonging. These groups focus on topics, passions or interests that help us deepen relationships with God and each other, all in a 6- to 12-week (March through May), small group setting.

Take a look at the Spring GPS offerings 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 before March 3 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 2019 GPS Groups at a Glance

| Name | Day | Time | Frequency | Cost |
|---------------------------------------------|------------|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Во | ok and Dis | cussion Group | rs | |
| Monday Night Pub (Formerly Theology Pub) | Mondays | 7–8:30 p.m. | Weekly | Varies |
| The Inner Matrix | Wednesdays | 1–2:30 p.m. | Weekly | \$18 |
| | Special | Interest | | |
| Baptist Film Fanatics (BFFs) | Saturdays | 4:30 p.m. | Monthly | Varies |
| Creativity & Conversation | Saturdays | 10 a.m. –Noon | Weekly | None |
| Spring Scrapbooking | Saturdays | 9 a.m.–2 p.m. | Monthly | None |
| Game Night | Fridays | 6:30–8:30 p.m. | Weekly | \$0 |
| Pysanky Ukrainian Easter Eggs | Tuesdays | Noon—2:30 p.m. | Monthly | \$35+ |
| Men's Group | Fridays | 11 a.m. | Monthly | \$10-\$15 |

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.

Book and Discussion Groups

Monday Night Pub (Formerly Theology 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 Sept. 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.

The Inner Matrix, Conscious Transformation

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, March 6–April 10

Time: 1–2:30 p.m.

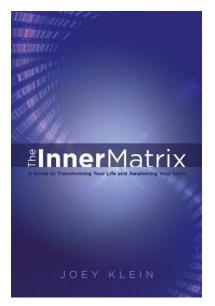
Place: Calvary

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 (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, beginning March 16

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 nearterm 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.



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.









Fall 2018 Basic Jewelry GPS Members

Let's join Creativity & Conversation at least once each month to make jewelry and keep our skills fresh. Plan to attend with group leader Deanna Geldens on March 23, April 27 and May 18, or bring your beads ANY Saturday to hang with Jeanine, Debby, Norma and the gang!

Friday Game Night

Description: Come together after a stressful week to have fun and make friends! Bring any game from home to play. If you don't know how to play, come and learn. Bring snacks and drinks to share or just show up and have fun! Open to all ages.

Dates: Fridays, March 8 to April 26 Time: 6:30–8:30 p.m. Place: Calvary Baptist Church Number of participants: No limit Estimated cost: \$0







Leader: Nadou Lawson is a CBC member who helps in the kitchen, with Calvary events and with coffee every Sunday morning. .





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."

Pysanky Ukrainian Easter Eggs

Description: Pysanky are Ukranian Easter eggs. We'll learn to decorate eggs with traditional folk designs "written" with beeswax.

Dates: Tuesdays, March 5 to April 16 (7 weeks)

Time: noon-2:30 p.m.

Place: Calvary Baptist Church

Number of participants: 2-12

Estimated cost: Participants will need to purchase the tools for the class (\$15). The instructor will provide details upon registration.

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: 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

Spring Scrapbooking

Number of participants: 6-10

Anticipated cost: Bring your own project.











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Register through the link in the e-news or complete this registration form and return it to the church office by Sunday, March 3.

| Name: |
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| Phone: |
| Email: |
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| Calvary Men's Group (E-mail davcpeter@gmail.com to be notified of meetings.) |
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