

Fall 2021 Group Options at Faith

- **Young Families and Elementary** (5th grade and younger)
 - Families with children will meet on the outdoor playground for informal conversation and fellowship on Sundays following 8:30 AM worship. (Leader: Courtney Lerch)
 - Virtual Family Learning videos with songs, stories, and crafts for home are available every week.
- **Middle School** (6th through 8th grade)
 - Confirmation will meet in-person on Sundays at 9:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall beginning Sunday, September 12. Middle schoolers and their parents are encouraged to attend. (Leader: Pastor Kerry Nelson)
- **High School** (9th through 12th grade)
 - High School Learning Group will meet in-person on Sundays at 9:45 AM in the Youth Room upstairs in the Faith Center beginning Sunday, September 5. (Leader: John Vickery)
- **Adults** (Zoom links available at: <http://faithbellaire.org/groups>)
 - *Circle of Friends* is currently gathering for informal conversation and check-ins while meeting virtually. When able to gather in-person they will study “Making Sense of Martin Luther” by David Lose. They meet on Zoom Sundays at 10:00 AM. (Leader: Sara Karow)
 - *Spiritual Direction: Wisdom for the Long Walk of Faith* is the title of a book written by Henri Nouwen that this group will read and discuss together. The topic will cover what a spiritual discipline is, what are the elements (prayer, study, journaling, etc.), how do you start or if you already have your routine, how do you enrich and go deep. Participants are invited to share both struggles and insights as they seek to grow closer to God. A copy of the book is included. They will meet on Zoom Sundays at 10:00 AM. (Leaders: Jessica Albert and Karen Elsen)
 - *Taking Faith Home* is a come-when-you-can group that discusses everyday spirituality. The guiding resource is the weekly Taking Faith Home flyer that is emailed from the church every Saturday. Group discussion covers Bible readings, prayers and blessings, weekly milestones, caring conversations, devotions, service, rituals, and traditions. They will meet on Zoom Sundays at 10:00 AM. (Leaders: Betty Becker and Laura Swanson)
 - *Men’s Group* meets in-person the first Monday of every month at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room to play poker and enjoy fellowship. (Leader: Pastor Kerry Nelson)
 - *Women’s Connection* is a multi-generational group of women that meets monthly to help with various tasks around the church and then goes out to lunch together. They meet in-person the second Tuesday of every month (September through May) at the church.
 - *Faith Fillies* is a group of women who gather for weekly check-ins and informal discussion. They meet on Zoom Tuesdays at 1:00 PM. (Leader: Elaine Gabriel)
 - *First Place 4 Health* is a group open to all people interested in health, wellness, and Bible study. The current session ends on August 31 and the Fall session will begin on September 14. They meet on

Zoom Tuesdays at 7:00 PM. (Leader: Mardi Mayerhoff)

- *GriefShare* is a friendly, caring support group who will walk alongside you through the difficult experiences of grief and loss. They meet on Zoom Wednesdays at 7:00 PM beginning September 22. (Leader: Pastor Kerry Nelson)
- *Bible Study* is a gathering to read and discuss the supporting lectionary texts for the following Sunday. They meet on Zoom Wednesdays at 7:30 PM. (Leader: Clayton Faulkner)
- *Weight God's Way* is a support group focused on health, wellness, and weight loss. They meet on Zoom Wednesdays at 8:30 PM. (Leader: Pastor Kerry Nelson)
- *Rebecca Ruth Circle* is a group of women that gather monthly for Bible study, conversation, and service projects. They meet in-person the first Thursday of every month at 10:00 AM in the Conference Room. (Leader: Pastor Kerry Nelson)
- *First Fridays* is a group of women who gather monthly for Bible study and conversation. They meet on Zoom the first Friday of every month, beginning September 3 at 6:30 PM. (Leader: Kathy Patrick)
- *Chinese Bible Study* 周三查经 meets on Zoom Saturdays at 8:45 AM to discuss the basics of the Christian faith. (Leader: Pastor Junfeng Tan)
- *Chinese Couples Group* 夫妻小组 is a group Bible study for spouses and couples in Chinese. They meet on Zoom Saturdays at 7:00 PM. (Leader: Pastor Junfeng Tan)