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CHURCH BURLINGTON

FALL & WINTER 2022

ADULT STUDIES

**MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY**

Join Dr. Stewart Rawson for a continuation  
of the spring 2022 Bible Study series as we  
consider the second half of the book of

**GENESIS**

**Men:** Tuesday 6:45–7:45 a.m. (Begins 9/13)

**Men & Women:** Wednesday 10–11 a.m. (Begins 9/14)

**Women:** Thursday 6:45–7:45 a.m. (Begins 9/15)

**The Witherspoon Room**

September 13, 14, 15 — Genesis 26–28:9

September 20, 21, 22 — Genesis 28:10–31

September 27, 28, 29 — Genesis 32–34

October 4, 5, 6 — Genesis 35–36

October 11, 12, 13 — Genesis 37-38  
October 18, 19, 20 — Genesis 39-41  
October 25, 26, 27 — Genesis 42-44  
November 1, 2, 3 — Genesis 45-46  
November 8, 9, 10 — Genesis 47-50  
November 15, 16, 17 — Review of book of Genesis

*The class will meet in The Witherspoon Room*

## CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Adult Formation classes will resume in September. Please check here to see what's coming up. If you have questions, email Charlotte Allbright at [callbright@fpcburlington.org](mailto:callbright@fpcburlington.org).

## SUBURBAN SPIRITUALITY CLASS

FPC is sponsoring a special eight-week series of spirituality workshops that explore both the scriptural call for personal transformation and offer practices and frameworks for understanding our own growth. Central in this series is understanding our personality from a Christian perspective. All classes will have a mix of teaching, practice and break-out sessions. Facilitator, Rev. Evan Harrison, pastors Pittsboro Presbyterian Church and has certificates from multiple programs regarding work with spirituality and personality. This class is free, geared towards adults and is open to anyone, so feel free to tell or invite your friends.

Life is busy, yet we hunger for God 24/7. Reclaim an hour or so for yourself these next 8 weeks to experience God and a refreshingly authentic, empowered sense of self that Jesus envisioned for everyone who dared follow in his way.

This workshop is free and open to all of you (recommend to a friend if you like!) and is sponsored by First Presbyterian Church, Burlington. **Classes are 7-8pm Tuesdays in September and October on Zoom.**

Although topics may be adapted to the needs of participants, sessions will likely cover:

- **Practicing the Great Command:** *Reclaiming the Importance of Transformation in Christianity and the Practice that Helps this Transformation Occur*
- **The Danger of Acting and the Protection of Seed's Outer Shell** *Acknowledging some of Christ's chief concerns about religious people and embracing one of his most apt parables regarding the spiritual importance of our personality.*
- **Suburban Contemplatives:** *Why we don't need to be monks to begin a life of introspection...and yet they were on to something.*
- **The Role of Personality in Spirituality:** *Three sessions covering 9 personality tendencies and how knowing about these structures can aid spiritual growth.*
- **Instinctual Drives:** *Appreciating and devoting healthy attention to the instincts hard-wired into us.*
- **New Space & Postures of Prayer** *Working out our salvation with Fear & Trembling, trying new physical postures of prayer and imagining what we need to continue in discipleship to Christ.*

*You are invited to a Zoom meeting.*

*When: Sep 6, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time*

*Register in advance for this meeting:*

[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqde6qrTgjGdyfH9egCHQv4K5LgvyFc\\_Q6](https://us02web.zoom.us/join/https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqde6qrTgjGdyfH9egCHQv4K5LgvyFc_Q6)

*After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.*

Join our special series of classes Tuesdays 7-8:15pm on Zoom

**All Adult Class with PCUSA's Chenoa Stock who Serves in Peru, Sunday, September 18, 9:45 a.m. in Shive Hall.** Since 2006, Chenoa Stock has served as a PC (USA) Mission Co-Worker in Sri Lanka, Bolivia, and since 2019, in Peru, as Delegation and Partnership Coordinator for the accompaniment program, PERUSA, a program of the Peruvian Joining Hands Network. In Chenoa's time with us, she will share about the history

of Peru, introduce our Peruvian partners and explain how the pandemic has affected the country, as well as modified the focus of the ministry these past years. She will share about the Peruvian Joining Hands Network's campaign for environmental justice and health reform, as well the Evangelical Church of Peru's ministry for women and theological education. Come to learn more about our global partners in Peru through listening and discussion!

**Enrichment Class** — Enrichment Class will meet via Zoom on **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.** Starting **Wednesday, October 19** for 4 weeks, the Enrichment class will discuss Forgiveness. Topics will include 'How to receive forgiveness' & 'How to forgive others'. Please join us on Zoom for a promised wild ride.

Join Zoom Meeting

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[+1 301 715 8592](tel:+13017158592)

Meeting ID: 867 8126 4997

Passcode: 267403

**African American Poetry Class — Sundays at 9:45 a.m. starting September 25 and ending November 20 in Room 122.** Led by Dr. Harry Brown. Join us to discuss poetry by a different African American poet each week. Regular reading assignments will be three to five poems by a major African American poet, ranging from the eighteenth-century writer Phillis Wheatley to Pulitzer Prize-winning U.S. Poet Laureate (1993-95) Rita Dove. We will also read poems by Langston Hughes, Paul Laurence Dunbar, and Gwendolyn Brooks, among others. Our text book will be *The*

*Vintage Book of African American Poetry*, ed. M. S. Harper and A. Walton (Vintage Books, 2000), available on Amazon in used paperback.

**John Knox Class through October 16** — The John Knox Fellowship Class will be using a variety of resources including *The Present Word*, and will be led by class members and friends on **Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m.** in the John Knox Room **beginning September 25.**

**Info about *The Present Word***

This in-depth Bible study for adults dives deep into God's Word. Designed by an ecumenical collaborative so that participants in multiple denominations are studying the same passages together, participants study the Bible over a six-year period, focusing on a specific theme each quarter. *The Present Word* aims to have participants know the content of the Bible, understand the message of the Bible in light of their experiences and relationships, and be aware of God's redeeming love in our lives. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

The Fall study is **"God's Exceptional Choice"**

- **September 25:** The Scepter Given to Judah, Genesis 35:22b–26; 38:12–19, 24–26; 49:8–12
- **October 2:** The Birth of Moses, Exodus 2:1–10; 15–22 (see also Exodus 1:15–22)
- **October 9:** Song of Moses Deuteronomy, 31:30–32:47
- **October 16**

**John Knox Class October 23 & November 6**

**October 23 - "The PC(USA) General Assembly in Mission" led by Bob Ellis** This session will present an overview of a range of mission engagements around the world in which the denomination participates.

**October 30: International Mission Work**

**November 6 - Israel Palestine Presentation**

**November 13: Worship/Work of General Assembly**

**November 20: Turkey/Greece Presentation**

**November 27, December 4, December 11, December 18: The Present Word**

## **December 25: No Sunday School**

**The Pointe Class** will meet in Room 227 on **Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. beginning September 25**. We are professionals and students, parents and friends, and we are committed to asking hard questions of faith and walking together in love. For everything we do and everything we are, we ask “What’s the POINT?” and we know better than to expect answers. What we do know is that the point — the purpose — of our study and worship and fellowship and faith journeying is that God has called us into Christian community and that we are doing our best to live out that call. We are opening our hearts and opening our minds to be a part of whatever God has called for with this zany and wonderful group of people. Join us as we search, pray, and discover as “The Pointe.” [Join our Facebook group!](#)

*So that adults may attend Sunday classes, the Nursery is open Sunday mornings from 8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. in Room 101.*