COURSE CATALOGUE

SUMMER 2021





A Community of Presence

Every church in the country is learning that returning from COVID-19 means rebuilding and RB Community Church is no different. Although, there was a sense of community during the pandemic, which we were able to create online, our return from restrictions means we must rebuild a "community of presence."

Online venues will always be a part of our ministries, as you will see in this summer semester catalogue, however being physically together is still the essential part of being the body of Christ.

One of the best steps towards rebuilding this community of presence is through signing up for a class in our College of the Bible. I invite you to peruse this course catalogue and select a class to join.

This semester I will be teaching a class on campus that will take a unique look at Stewardship. <u>Your</u> <u>Philanthropic Autobiography</u> is a class that will make you think consciously about your faith journey and God's generosity.

In the Community of Presence!

Rev. John M. Scholte Pastor of Education and Discipleship

Take a class this summer in the classroom, on Zoom, or self-study online! Learn more about LifeGroups and Marriage Enrichment. Make your summer a time for rebuilding!

"Give, and it will be given to you. They will pour into your lap a good measure pressed down, shaken together, and running over. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return." -Luke 6:38

CMCM 200 Your Philanthropic Autobiography

Monday's 10:00 a.m. June 7 – August 9, 2021

Instructor: Rev. John M. Scholte

Classroom: Skylight

Socrates' most famous philosophical maxim was "know thyself." This class will give you an opportunity to think consciously about your involvement with giving, volunteering, and charitable activities. It is also your opportunity to recall the ways in which you came to experience and learn about giving and volunteering. You can rediscover what it is in your story that motivates you to be generous with your time and money on behalf of others. The class is designed to help you think specifically about your experiences and feelings in the context of your faith journey and your role in the body of Christ.

To enroll in this class, contact Pastor John at john@rbcpc.org



CMBS 100 Revelation (SEEKERS: STUDY THE BIBLE with PASTOR MOFID)

Wednesdays 10:00 -11:00 am Summer

Room: Sanctuary

Instructor: Rev. Dr. Mofid Wasef

After Pastor Mofid completes his study of Exodus this class will focus on the study of Revelation working through the book chapter by chapter. Sidelights will be given on the many different positions and ideas concerning the "end-times" known theologically as Eschatology.

To enroll in this class, contact Pastor Mofid at mofid@rbcpc.org



"After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could count, from every nation and all tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and palm branches were in their hands."

Revelations 7:9

CMCM 100 Overcomers

Tuesday's 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. June 8 – August 10, 2021

Room: Pineview

Instructor: Ken Sheets

We hear a lot today about strengths and weaknesses: strength is good, weakness is bad.

That is the world's view, of course. Not surprisingly, the Bible takes a different approach. God is strong and we are weak, yet He offers His strength for our weaknesses. But here's the truth, there is no such thing as weakness; weakness is simply the absence of strength just as darkness is the absence of light and silence is the absence of sound.

When we feel weak, what we are feeling is the absence of strength. When we realize we are lacking strength in our life, we need to know where to find it. The answer is, we find strength in God through His word and Spirit at work in our life.

Ultimately, prayer is the primary channel through which God conveys strength to our lives. Praying without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:17) covers everything else: time in the word and worship and waiting on the Lord in quietness. We are in prayer in all those situations. That's what praying without ceasing means--Living in a constant attitude of conversing with God, speaking and especially listening.

To enroll in this class, contact Ken at 805-345-0641

"These things I have spoken to you so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation but take courage; I have overcome the world." John 16:33

CMBS 200 "Exile, Return and Interim"

Sunday's Time TBD July 11 – August 29, 2021

Room: Skylight

Instructor: Abbe Willner

This course covers Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, and Daniel, with a summary of the Time Between the Testaments. The primary purpose of the course is to connect the Histories of Old and New from a Jewish perspective and create the foundation to address the Gospels, Acts and the Rise of Christianity.

To enroll in this class, contact Abbe at abbe.sd49@gmail.com



"Any of those among you who are of his people—may their God be with them! are now permitted to go up to Jerusalem in Judah, and rebuild the house of the Lord, the God of Israel—he is the God who is in Jerusalem;" Ezra 1:3

CMCM 100 Seven Letters to Seven Churches

(A serendipity women's bible study)

Contact instructor for meeting time, place and dates!

Instructor: Linda Allen

What if Jesus wrote a letter to your church? This eight-session LifeGuide® Bible Study helps us engage with the words of Jesus in the seven letters to the seven churches in Revelation. Studying this Scripture with a group or individually allows us to ask some hard questions—of ourselves, of our leaders, and of the Lord. Jesus is pointedly honest with us. Whether we respond with a yawn or with a renewed pursuit of obedience is up to us.

To enroll in this class, contact Linda at lindainpoway@yahoo.com



"John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from Him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before His throne,"

Revelation 1:4



Select an online self-study class here: https://scs-university.teachable.com

Online courses:

- √ Equipping Leadership
- $\sqrt{\text{Comparative Religions}}$
- $\sqrt{\text{The Silent Years}}$
- $\sqrt{1}$ Timothy Bible Study
- $\sqrt{11}$ II Timothy Bible Study
- $\sqrt{\text{Cooking with Kimberley}}$
- $\sqrt{\text{Titus Bible Study}}$
- $\sqrt{\rm A}$ Study of the Book of Ephesians



What are LifeGroups? The logo on the upper right illustrates the concept for our small groups at RB Community known to as LifeGroups. The cluster of grapes represents the individuals in each small group. Each LifeGroup is connected to the "vine" through study and fellowship. The individual groups together become a part of the LifeGroup ministry.

Over the past year LifeGroups have also kept individuals connected to our larger RB Community Church "vine." Our facilitators have found lots of creative ways including zoom meetings to reach out within our groups to be a "family" support system.

For those who have missed that connection lately, new groups are currently forming. For more information about LifeGroups, to sign up for a group, or to suggest an idea for a future group, contact Kathy Wesley at lifegroups@rbcpc.org.

Kathy Wesley, LifeGroups Coordinator lifegroups@rbcpc.org LifeGroups Opportunities

Building Community

Tuesday/June 15 – July 20/7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Zoom

Facilitator: Kathy Wesley

This 6-week LifeGroup is for those interested in learning more about what it means to be together in a small group community. The group is open to those new to RB Community Church, those who have been involved for a few years or those with years of experience; we all have something to share no matter where we are on our spiritual journey. As we grow and share spiritually and friendships develop this group may just decide to continue learning together.

For more information about the group and to receive the zoom link contact Kathy at lifegroups@rbcpc.org



Ten Women of The Bible

Wednesdays/April 28 – June 30 /1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Zoom

Facilitator: Various Leaders

In this 10-week study by Max Lucado stories of ten women including Sarah, Abigail, Esther, the Samaritan Woman, Mary Magdalene are told. While these women lived in a world different than ours, they faced some of the same issues. Their stories illustrate for us that God loves us and can use us for who we are.

For more information about the group and to receive the zoom link contact Kathy at lifegroups@rbcpc.org



Meditation on Scripture

Thursdays/May 13– June 17 /1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Zoom

Facilitator: Kathy Wesley

"He taught them many things by parables..." Mark 4:2

Join us for a 6-week meditation series to reflect on some of the stories or parables of Jesus. This is a time of quiet reflection and sharing of scripture and ways we feel called to respond. The zoom format allows for a casual relaxed setting while in our own homes.

For more information and zoom link contact Kathy at lifegroups@rbcpc.org



Book Club

Ongoing, one Monday afternoon per month at 3 PM -- check Events on the website for details Via Zoom in compliance with COVID-19 precautions.

Facilitator: Amy Wazny

Do you enjoy reading? Do you enjoy sharing your reading experiences with others? A book club is a wonderful way to get the most out of what we read and enjoy friendship with other readers. All are welcome.

Contact Amy Wazny at arwazny23@gmail.com to get your Zoom link for the meeting.



Tied in Prayer

Fourth Friday of month beginning May 28/10:00 am

Zoom

Facilitator: Kathy Wesley

Many are finding this to be a time of finishing some UFOs (UnFinished Objects) that have been started over the years. We gather the 4th Friday of the month via zoom (or in person, as regulations permit) for "show and tell" sharing what we have completed. This group has a mission outreach focus with a variety of small projects for others including pillowcases, placemats and prayer squares.

For more information and to receive the zoom link contact Kathy Wesley lifegroups@rbcpc.org





COLLEGE OF MARRIAGE

The College of Marriage is sponsored by the Marriage Enrichment Team. This College, within the College of the Bible, is developing courses, retreats, seminar's, and other events to enrich marriages.

Consistent with the church's focus on family ministries and the Great Commission, the college is designed to strengthen marriages and families employing both biblical truth and clinically relevant information (consistent with the biblical truth). It can also be used for community outreach. Non-churched couples can still find the information applicable.

Target audience: married and engaged couples both within the church and from the community. The information conveyed and accompanying exercises can be applicable to satisfied couples who are wanting to enrich their marriages, couples who are coping with some challenges in their marriages, and engaged couples who are preparing for marriage. Significantly distressed couples could benefit provided they are already receiving marital counseling.

Modules and Sessions: The college curriculum includes 15 sessions divided into 5 modules. Participants may pick and choose sessions but would be encouraged to complete the entire course.

To enroll in this online course for free visit the College of the Bible's online teachable platform:

https://scs-university.teachable.com/courses/college-of-marriage



College of the Bible Mission Statement

The Mission of RB Community Church College of the Bible is to "equip believers for the work of ministry (Eph 4:12-14)" with RB Community Church. The goal is to effectively train believers in the Word so they can grow in their relationship with Christ and others and effectively minister in their community. RB Community Church College of the Bible is committed to the foundation of God's truth in the Scriptures, the clear presentation of those truths as they relate to each course, and the application of those truths to individual believers and their ministry in the world.

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