

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Learning environments for exploring topics and personal growth.

CORE GROUPS:

UNDERSTANDING THE BIBLE

Mondays: April 11–May 16
6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
The Bible can be an overwhelming book to read. Learn a simple, step-by-step approach to understanding and applying what you're reading.

SONG OF SONGS

Mondays: April 11–June 6
6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
For women. Join other women for a journey into more intimacy with God as illustrated in the Song of Songs. Explore how receiving God's love strengthens and empowers the heart.

OVERVIEW OF THE BIBLE

Tuesdays: April 12–June 7
6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
The Bible is the story of God and his pursuit of us. Come learn major patterns and themes of God's story, and how they apply to your life.

GOING DEEPER

Wednesdays: beginning April 13
7-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
Does not meet on Last Wednesday
Stretch the way you think about your relationship with Christ. Join us as we discuss the process of maturing in our faith as outlined in the first chapter of 2 Peter. *No childcare available.*

FREE TO FORGIVE

Tuesdays: April 12–May 17
7-8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
Has someone hurt you and you don't know what to do? Are you disappointed, angry or resentful? Explore the freedom to forgive others, ourselves and God.

FOSTER CARE

Thursdays: April 14–May 5
6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
God calls the church to take care of orphans. Join others to learn more about God's heart around foster care adoption, as well as how to engage personally in the process.

WELCOME TO THE REVOLUTION

Tuesdays: April 19–May 24
6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
Jesus didn't come to start a new religion. He came to start a revolution of love and freedom, and he invites you to join. Discover the essentials of a revolutionary, Christ-following life.

GROW

Tuesdays: April 12–May 17
6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
God is always accessible to us, and the Bible lays out certain practices we can engage in to help us connect more deeply with him. Come learn spiritual disciplines that can increase your intimacy with God.

STORY FORMED LIFE

Sundays: April 10–June 12
6:30–8:30pm at Mason Heights Annex
God invites us to enter into an epic story in which he is the central character. Come and learn how you fit into the story of God.

ALL FOR LOVE

Sundays: April 10–May 15
6:30–8:30pm at Mason Heights Annex
Loving Jesus is more than just a feeling—it's a calling to follow him. Join us as we discover how God's love translates into a life full of purpose and mission.

LIFE STAGE GROUPS:

WOMEN'S ONGOING GROUP

Tuesdays
7–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
Connect and build relationships with other women while exploring your spiritual journey more deeply.

CRUX

Thursdays
6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
Designed for people ages 18–35, both single and married. Come and be trained in a lifestyle of discipleship. Weekly gatherings include Bible reading and prayer, with a focus on growing in faith by receiving more of God. *To sign up, email crux@crossroads.net.*

LOVE & RESPECT

Thursdays: April 14–June 9
6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
For married couples seeking to crack the communication code between husband and wife. Based on the book "Love and Respect" by Emerson Eggerichs. *Both spouses must sign up.*

DIVORCE REBUILDING

Saturday: April 16, 8:30am–3:30pm
AND Thursdays: April 21–June 2
6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
Discover biblical ways to handle life after a divorce in a safe community. *No childcare available at the Saturday session.*

HEALING GROUPS

Safe environments for help overcoming crises or addictions.

BEAUTY FOR ASHES

Thursdays: April 14–July 21
6:45–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
For women. This group is designed to be a safe place for women seeking emotional healing due to sexual abuse. Discuss the possibility of recovery and joy. Strict anonymity and confidentiality will be maintained to protect participants.

MEN'S CST GROUP

Mondays
6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
A safe place for men to connect with other men who understand the pain and isolation caused from childhood sexual trauma. We'll explore the healthy relationships we need to recover and journey together toward freedom and joy. **(ongoing group)**

INFERTILITY

Tuesdays: April 12–May 17
6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
God wants you to experience peace in your journey of infertility, recurrent miscarriages, adoption and child-free living. Be part of a community seeking God in this season of life.

DAVE RAMSEY'S FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Sundays: April 10–July 10
6:30–8:30pm at Mason Heights Annex
Thursdays: April 14–July 7
6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
God calls us to be good managers of the resources he's given us, and that includes money. Learn what that looks like, and how to transform your approach to finances.

HALFTIME

Mondays: April 18–May 23
AT 2 LOCATIONS, 6:45–7:45am

***Anderson Center**
***Panera at Deerfield Blvd.**

For men who want to make their middle years not just successful, but also significant. Join other men on this journey through Bob Buford's book "Halftime." *No childcare available.*

GRIEF

Mondays: April 11–June 6
6:30–8:30pm at Crossroads Oakley
For those who have experienced death of a spouse, parent, close friend or child (includes the loss of infant/stillbirth or miscarriage), and are seeking to understand the pain and disorientation it brings, through a biblical perspective.

MEN'S HEALTHY SEXUALITY

Thursdays
7–9pm at Crossroads Oakley
A program for men who seek healthy life choices around their sexual behaviors. MHS groups are Christ-centered, anonymous communities of healing and hope. **(ongoing group)**

HEALING BETRAYED HEARTS

Thursdays
7–9pm at Crossroads Oakley
A safe place for women who need support regarding the impact of a spouse or partner's struggle with pornography or inappropriate sexual behavior. *To sign up, email Janelle at jwolff@yahoo.com or Traci at tracicooper@fuse.net.* **(ongoing group)**

SMALL GROUPS

Off-site, life-sharing, year-round communities of 6–12.

There's no one formula for starting or joining a small group. All it takes is a little initiative and the commitment to make it happen. Here's some suggestions to get started:

Talk to people you know. Ask friends in your neighborhood or on your serving team if they'd be interested in starting a group.

Surf the web. Post your interest in starting a small group or look for other groups to join by using the Find-A-Small Group tool at crossroads.net.

Sign up for a Community Group. Sign up for a group that interests you, and chances are you'll meet others

BIPOLAR DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP

Thursdays: April 14–June 9
6:30–8pm at Crossroads Oakley
For anyone who has a bipolar disorder, or who is a primary family/support person of someone who has a bipolar disorder. We'll share support, as well as our experiences with the disorder, the role and effects of medications and additional ways to manage and reduce the intensity and frequency of episodes.

MEN'S HEALTHY CHOICES

Thursdays
7–9pm at Crossroads Oakley
If you're struggling with addictive behaviors, come and learn how to overcome addictions in a safe environment. We'll focus on recognizing, acknowledging and owning the addictions in our lives on a path toward recovery. **(ongoing group)**

with similar interests who might be interested in forming a small group. For more info on Community Groups, visit the Info Center or crossroads.net/cg.

Attend a Connection Event. Held a couple of times per year, these events connect those interested in small groups with others who have similar preferences. They also provide information and resources to help you have a successful small group experience.

The next Connection Event will be April 16 from 9–11:30am at Oakley. For more info or to RSVP, visit crossroads.net/sg.

03 26-27 The Program

I can't believe I'm saying this, but Charles Barkley really knows what he's talking about.

THE STORY

current message series

The story of God began long before us and stretches out into eternity. And it goes way beyond the printed page—this story is alive, epic, eternal—and we all play a role. Join us as we explore the larger context of God's great story and where we fit inside it.

today

We'll be starting at the beginning of the story—before the world began—and talking about what it means that God is eternal and holy.

FIRST

time here? OR SECOND, OR THIRD, OR TENTH...

Hang around.

The weekend service is only a part of what goes on around here. It's fine to keep hanging out in the rafters, but when you're ready for some company, come on down. We've got a ton of ways for you to get connected—community groups, serving projects, big and small events. Stop by the Info Center and ask for the latest. We'd love to meet you.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND
CROSSROADS ✕

BAPTISM INFO SESSIONS

If you're considering baptism, attend a Baptism Information Session. Sessions are March 27, April 17 and May 8 at Crossroads Oakley from 1–2:30pm. To sign up, please email baptism@crossroads.net, and include your name, email address, phone number and date you wish to attend.

JOURNEY MOVED TO FALL

Because of the focus on the Game Change campaign last fall, and because the timing is better for our partner churches, this year's all-church journey has been moved to October. However, you can still engage in a smaller community now. Check out the back of this program for more info.

PARTY FOR A PURPOSE

Hosted by Brad and Colleen Johansen on Friday, April 8 from 7:30pm-midnight at the Manor House in Mason. Tickets are \$65 (\$50 when purchasing two or more.) Benefits OneCity and other local charities. Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door. For info and tickets, visit onecity.org or bradjohansengolf.com.

HELP NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings works with once-homeless families to help them get re-established. If you'd like to donate gently used smaller household items like dishes, glasses, cutlery, small appliances, cookware, towels, sheets, blankets etc., email newbeginnings@crossroads.net.

PRAYER

Available after each service in your Auditorium seat. For other ways to receive prayer, or to find out about serving on the Prayer Team, go to crossroads.net/prayer. All requests are held in strict confidence.

For more info on things happening around Crossroads, visit crossroads.net, or "like" us on Facebook at facebook.com/crdschurch.

meet JON

Jon Keel has been involved in Community Groups for several years, and currently helps lead a group on Understanding the Bible.

Why did you get involved in Community Groups?

I love to teach and see people's minds expand and see them personally grow. I always find I get more out of the groups than the attendees do.

Why would you recommend Community Groups?

Not only can one learn more about a given subject area, but it's a great way to get "deeper" into the Crossroads community. Given my experience, I can't see not being involved, either as a leader or participant.

To learn more about Community Groups and to get involved, visit crossroads.net/community or stop by the Info Center today.



your kids will LOVE this



It's OK to wear fairy wings and rain boots to church. After all, **Kids' Club** is a space that is designed just for kids from birth to sixth grade to come as they are and learn about God. They may learn about fear by touching slimy bugs (fake ones, don't freak out on us) or how good it feels to forgive by unloading a backpack of rocks. Whatever they are learning, they are welcome to come in whatever makes them comfortable (even if it's a Spiderman suit and fireman's hat).

To see exactly what they are experiencing check out crossroads.net/kc.

If you've got questions about Kids' Club or you'd like to spend time hanging out with some great kids, contact Kim Botto in Oakley at kbotto@crossroads.net or Beth Peery in Mason at bpeery@crossroads.net.



CSM community groups

Tuesday nights, April 5–June 7
6:30–8:30pm at Oakley and Mason

WHAT'S NEXT?

11–12 grade at Oakley

STORY FORMED LIFE

9–12 grade at Oakley and Mason

HEARING FROM GOD

9–10 grade at Oakley

CONNECTING WITH GOD

7–8 grade at Oakley and Mason

Sign up by April 3 during CSM weekend services, or email csm@crossroads.net with your name, grade, phone number and preferred email.

For Community Group descriptions and more info, visit crossroads.net/csm.



LW LAST WEDNESDAY

Join us for Last Wednesday, a time of worship through music, prayer and communion on the last Wednesday of the month at Crossroads Oakley. Childcare's provided; dinner's not.

MARCH 30, 7PM