



SPIRITUAL FORMATION

FairHaven

—
BIBLE STUDIES,
CLASSES AND
WORKSHOPS

WHAT IS SPIRITUAL FORMATION?

Fairhaven's Spiritual Formation ministry provides a foundation for faith that supports each of our three essentials: it makes the experiences of worship, community and serving deeper, more impactful and more fulfilling.

Our studies, classes and workshops exist to encourage the discipleship process that is central to the purpose of the Church (Matthew 28:19). The goal is to help the Christ-follower be graciously shaped by the Spirit through the study of Scripture, the practice of spiritual disciplines and the encouragement of the community of believers.

Spiritual Formation studies, classes and workshops are offered seasonally, in a variety of formats and on different days to make it as easy as possible for you to find something that interests you and fits your schedule. Some studies are gender-based, while others are coed to encourage married couples to strengthen their relationship as they grow deeper in their faith.

All events require registration, which you can do online at fairhavenchurch.org



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2 CORINTHIANS 3:18

MINISTRY LEADERS



PAUL CLARK

Senior Associate Pastor



KELLY CARRAHER

*Director, Women's
Ministries*



CHIP TUDOR

*Pastor, Men's Ministries and
Adult Groups*

All Adults

ALPHA

Thursdays, Sep 7-Nov 16
6:30-8:30 PM

Alpha is an 11-week series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each session focuses on a different basic question around our faith and is designed to stimulate learning and create lively conversation. It's a relationally-based, culturally-sensitive series for seekers and new believers that incorporates food, video vignettes and small group discussion to open people's hearts to the movement of the Holy Spirit in their lives. Invite the people you're trying to reach and any other seekers you know!

SOUL CARE

Class led by Pastor Paul Clark

Tuesdays, Sep 12-Oct 10
7:00-8:15 PM

If we look at our spiritual life as a marathon, many of us are nearing exhaustion – dangerously low on reserves, running on fumes. If that resonates with you or if you want to understand how to nurture and feed your soul, this class is for you. We'll explore practical ways to restore life and vitality to your soul through authentic connection with God as Father, Son and Spirit.

BETTER HALVES: GET CLEAR ON MONEY

Class for Married Couples

Thursdays, Sep 14-Oct 19
7:00-8:15 PM

For too many couples, money is getting in the way of a great relationship and preventing them from living the story God is calling them to. Discover the truth about what makes marriage and money difficult and realize there's hope. This study is not just for newlyweds, it's for any married couple looking to gain a new understanding of their partner and new skills for making better financial decisions together.

BOOK OF JAMES

Tuesdays, Oct 17-Nov 14
7:00-8:15 PM

According to James, the Christian life is more action on Monday than worship on Sunday. The book is packed with practical, everyday wisdom and it challenges not only our words, but our actions. Talk is cheap, James argues. Service is invaluable. Join us for a bare-knuckled look at the practical side of faith, which often means trusting God even in hard times.

BRINGING BABY HOME

Workshop led by Kay Clark

Saturdays, Oct 21 & 28
9:00 AM-3:00 PM

This two-part workshop prepares couples for life with a baby and helps them become the best parenting team possible. New or expecting parents will learn how to strengthen their marriage and foster baby's development during the transition to parenthood. Prepare for the challenges and learn how to bond through the highs and lows together. This research-based program combines lecture, multimedia, interactive exercises, biblical insight and group discussion. Cost is \$60 per couple and includes a workbook, materials and lunch both days.

CELEBRATING ADVENT WORKSHOP

Saturday, Nov 11
9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Has Christmas become stale for you? Has it lost its meaning? In this practical workshop, you'll come to understand how the preparatory season of Advent can invigorate your celebration of Christmas. Advent is an invitation to experience both a journey and an arrival. We'll learn about Advent, talk about ways to personalize it and even make something visual to keep it before us throughout the season.

ADVENT CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER SERVICE

Sunday, Nov 26
6:00-7:00 PM

Registration NOT required

This contemplative, prayerful service will help us to enter into the Advent season, as Christians around the world celebrate and reflect upon the coming of God to man. Using liturgical elements such as prayer, readings, responses, hymns, Psalms and silent reflection, we will deliberately and joyfully anticipate nothing less than the coming of Jesus.

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FAIRHAVENCHURCH.ORG

COMING THIS WINTER

PERSPECTIVES

Class at Patterson Park Church

Mondays, Jan 4-Apr 11
6:30-9:15 PM

Experience 15 powerful lessons that have equipped thousands of believers with greater vision, hope and passion. In Perspectives, Scripture, history, culture and strategy converge to reveal the unfolding of God's redemptive purpose. He is on a mission to bless the peoples of the earth and you're invited to join Him.

"Perspectives was the best course I took at Moody Bible Institute."
- Pastor Paul Clark

Register online at
perspectives.org or
contact Jane Piatt,
jpiatt@fairhavenchurch.org



A LONG OBEDIENCE IN THE SAME DIRECTION

Book by Eugene Peterson

Tuesdays, starting Sep 5-6:00-7:30 AM

As a society, we're obsessed with the immediate. Email and the internet have intensified our quest for the quick fix. But Peterson's time-tested prescription for discipleship remains the same: a long obedience in the same direction. In Psalms 120-134, Peterson finds encouragement as we learn to grow in worship, service, joy, work, happiness, humility, community and blessing. Meetings are structured around manageable weekly readings, but our primary purpose is to encourage one another as men.

CONQUER SERIES

Study by Jeremy & Tiana Wiles

*Saturdays, Oct 7-Nov 4
9:30-11:00 AM at Fairhaven*

*Mondays, Oct 2-Oct 20
7:00-8:30 PM at Parkview Nazarene*

*Thursdays, Oct 5-Nov 2
7:00-8:30 PM at Far Hills Church*

This five-week, DVD-based study deals with the subject of pornography and conquering temptation in a way that's engaging, informative and includes roundtable discussion. You'll gain insight from top Christian leaders who present scientific facts and biblical strategies that employ God's weapons against the battle that every man faces. Cost is \$12, includes workbook.

PATHWAYS TO THE KING

Book by Dr. Rob Reimer

*Mondays, Sep 18-Nov 20
7:00-8:30 PM*

How do we usher in God's kingdom on Earth and help bring revival to the church in America? It starts with you. God wants you to draw near to Jesus and to be a carrier of his kingdom, and he wants you to expand the kingdom to others--just like Jesus did. This 10-week study examines eight kingdom pathways you need to develop intimacy, authority, and power in Christ in order to experience and expand God's kingdom on Earth.

ENTRUSTED

Bible study by Beth Moore

*Mondays, Sep 11-Oct 16
9:30-11:00 AM*

*Thursdays, Sep 14-Oct 19
7:00-8:30 PM*

*Childcare available**

We were never meant to take this journey of faith alone or in secret. God has entrusted us with the great and mighty gift of the gospel, something too precious and life-giving to keep to ourselves. In this 6-session study, Beth will encourage you to guard what God has entrusted to you, further His kingdom by sharing Christ with others and pour into future generations. Because in this journey of joy and hardship, we need each other to stay the course and live lives of faithfulness.

REBUILD

Bible study by Dr. Kathleen Nielson

*Tuesdays, Sep 12-Oct 31
9:30-11:00 AM or 7:00-8:30 PM*

*Childcare available**

The book of Nehemiah tells of God's people rebuilding the city of Jerusalem and being rebuilt according to His Word. As we watch Nehemiah direct the rebuilding, we're watching God direct history according to His promises --all of which were fulfilled in the promised Christ. This study helps us understand our history as believers in Jesus and learn to walk in faith according to God's Word, even in times of weakness and rebuilding. It's a dramatic story of God's people sustained by God's Word at a crucial point in salvation history.

NONE LIKE HIM

Bible study by Jen Wilkin

*Tuesdays, Sep 12-Nov 14
6:30 AM-7:45 AM*

No childcare available

We were created to reflect God's image, but only to a limited extent. Although we share attributes with God, there are qualities only He possesses - unlimited power, knowledge and authority. Learn ten ways God is different from us and why that's a good thing. Discover the joy of seeing our limited selves in relation to a limitless God, and how it frees us from striving to be more than we were created to be.

**Childcare is available with 2017-2018 yearly childcare fee.*

Men

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Women



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