Adult Connecting **Class** Categories

Multi-Age Alpha and Omega, Community of Joy, Joan Weir, New Life, and Seekers

> Young Adult Experiencing Faith The Fishermen

Family-Oriented (Older Children)

Community of Joy, Faith Walk, Families in Christ, Joan Weir, and New Life

Senior Adult Partners with Christ

Bible-Study Focus Alpha and Omega, and Partners with Christ

Regular Fellowship Events Community of Joy, Experiencing Faith, Families in Christ, Partners with Christ, and Seekers

Topical Studies Focus Experiencing Faith, Faith Walk, Families in Christ, Joan Weir, New Life, and Seekers

Education Support Ministry Experiencing Faith, Families in Christ, Joan Weir, New Life, and Seekers

Adult Connecting Class Locations

Alpha and Omega Community of Joy Experiencing Faith Faith Walk Families in Christ The Fishermen Joan Weir New Life Partners with Christ Seekers

Room 200 Room 219 Room 230 Room 204 Room 225 Room 227 Room 218 Room 228 Room 203-203 Room 220

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CONNECTING CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Alpha and Omeaa

Room 200

The Alpha and Omega class consists of single and married members of varied ages. The class enjoys studying books of the Bible and encourages lots of discussion. The class welcomes all who enjoy a lively group who love the lord

Attendance 7-9

Community of Joy

Room 219

The Community of Joy class consists of singles and couples, ranging in ages from early 30's to 80's. They take turns facilitating Bible-based lessons. The class studies are generally video-based followed by a lively discussion. Each series typically lasts 5-8 weeks and covers a variety of topics. Outside of class, they enjoy gathering together for fellowship with one another. Attendance 10-13

Experiencing Faith

Room 230

The Experiencing Faith class is made up of young adults, many of whom are couples with young children. Studies are chosen to further our understanding of Christian beliefs, practices, and mission. Many studies are video-based, followed by group discussion. Regular meal groups and service opportunities are available. The class supports church initiatives towards children and the community. Attendance: 20-40

Faith Walk

Room 204

The Faith Walk class welcomes all who want to learn God's Word and give support to each other inside and outside of class. Faith Walk is made up of couples and singles in their 40's, 50's, and 60's. They enjoy spirited discussions and great fellowship. Attendance: 12-20

Families in Christ

Room 225 The Families in Christ class is committed to supporting class members by building strong families and gaining a deeper faith commitment though group study. Participants are couples or individuals with elementary through high school aged children and beyond. They participate in Biblically based studies that include a wide range of issues relating to the family and the Christian faith. Lessons are book and video formatted with class-wide discussions of the study being a strength of the class. Member involvement in lesson facilitation, social functions, and class participation continue to make this class an exciting opportunity for Christian fellowship. Attendance: 15-25

The Fishermen

Room 227

Room 218

The Fishermen class is the newest Sunday School class at First Methodist, consisting of young couples in their 20's and 30's. As the name implies, their mission is to go out, serve the community, and make "fishers of men." Regular mission and service projects are planned as well as times of fun and fellowship.

Lessons are usually video-based followed by discussion and application.

Attendance 10-15

Joan Weir

The Joan Weir class consists of couples and singles with children in college and older. The age range of class members is 45-70 years old. The class members take turns teaching from a variety of Biblical resources and leading class discussion. They support Area Ministry Outreach Services (AMOS), Christmas in Action, Partner in Education Burnet Elementary, as well as other charitable and churchwide projects. They also gather together for an annual Christmas Party. The class is a very loving, welcoming, caring, and fun group of people. Attendance 15-20

New Life

Room 228

The New Life class members are generally couples with high school aged children and older. They enjoy social time and video-based instruction series each week with an emphasis on Christian life in the modern world. New Life members support church events and activities, and regularly serve as greeters and ushers. They support Burnet Elementary and other outreach activities of First United Methodist Church of Midland Attendance: 15-20

Partners with Christ

Room 202-203

The Partners with Christ class welcomes all interested adults to their class which consists of singles and couples age 50 and up in varvina life stages-ranging from career to retirement. With a team of volunteer teachers from the class, the group participates in adult Bible studies in a lecture format. They enjoy fellowship before class, as well as parties and other social events outside of class, throughout the year. Together, they support many different Methodist missions and community agencies through their annual fund drive. They also support class members and other church members in times of need with prayer, visitation, food, and other services. Attendance: 40-50

Seekers

Room 220

The Seekers are singles and couples ranging in age from 50 and above. They pray, learn, laugh, cry and socialize together as they study the Old and New Testaments, life issues, discipleship, and spirituality. They love to get together for fellowship and coordinate activities such as group meals, a men's breakfast on Tuesday, and a women's social monthly. Together, the class supports Area Ministry Outreach Services (AMOS), Sager Brown, Christmas for the Troops, Storybook Christmas, Upper Room, and special offerings and collections. The class participates in various children and vouth ministries such as VBS and the coat and shoe drives for homeless MISD students.

Attendance 15-20