

WOMEN'S MINISTRY FALL UPDATE



*Adopt the same attitude as that of Christ Jesus.
Philippians 2:5*

My sister and I are identical twins. So identical that our friends, parents, and yes, even our husbands have mixed us up. Because we look the same, people assume our character, personalities, likes, and dislikes are the same as well. As teenagers and young adults that couldn't have been further from the truth. We didn't want to be the same, so we emphasized our differences and sought our own individuality. But over the years, as we've hung out together, experienced many of life's milestones together, and grown so close we often know what the other is thinking, we've come to look very similar not only in appearance, but in our mannerisms and personalities too. Even after over 20 years of living apart, we still show up at each other's houses on occasion, wearing the same thing without even knowing the other had bought it.


This is what the Christian life is meant to look like too. As followers of Christ, we're called to image Him, not only in how we look but also in how we think and act. Our attitude and character, our whole way of being should look like Christ's. But this requires relationship with Him. As we get to know Him through His Word, spend time with Him in prayer, and humble ourselves in obedience to Him, the power of the Spirit works within us to transform us more and more into His image.

*And we all...beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image...
2 Corinthians 3:18*

Last year, our focus in Women's Ministry was knowing Christ. Our prayer in knowing Him, was that we would live bold, uncompromised lives built on the truth of God and the testimony of Christ. This year, we're shifting our focus slightly. As we grow to know God, let's grow to look like Him too, as we adopt the same attitude as that of Christ Jesus.

*Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind.
Philippians 2:1-2*

Being like-minded with Christ will impact our relationships. We'll love one another, we'll be filled with tenderness and compassion for each other. And in humility we'll put others first, building them up with their best interest in mind. This is what the Kingdom of God is meant to look like; what His church is meant to look like here on earth.



Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.
Philippians 2:3-4 NLT

The Message paraphrase of these Philippians passages sums up a like-minded attitude with Christ in this way, "be deep-spirited friends." I don't know about you, but this is the kind of community I want to be a part of. So, as we kick off Fall in Women's Ministry, let's be a community of women, who with the same attitude as Christ grow to be deep-spirited friends who love each other, build each other up, and seek the best for each other.

Above all, love each other deeply...
1 Peter 4:8



SERVING OPPORTUNITY – If you're free Wednesday mornings and would like the ability to earn a little extra spending money, we'd love to have you join our **Child Care Team**. This Team cares for children ages newborn to 5 years old while their moms attend either Bible Study or Mom's Group. If you'd like more information, please contact Jenni at women@southviewchurch.com

FALL MINISTRY OFFERINGS



Discipleship Pathway: Core Practice Meet

Sunday, September 17, 5:00-7:30pm

Cost: \$5 per person (max. \$20 per family)

[Register for Discipleship Pathway](#)

We are called to a life of discipleship. Join us as we learn together how to grow as disciples who make disciples.

The next stop on our Discipleship Pathway looks at our Core Practice of Meet. Is coming to church on Sundays enough, or does God call us to something deeper? Unpack this with us as we learn how to pursue life together through intentional involvement in each other's lives.

Dinner is included - we will be having a Pizza buffet with many options including veggie and gluten free.

Everyone is welcome - kids, youth, adults. We will have childcare for infants to kindergarten and a special break out time for grades 1 to 6 in the Legacy Centre. Junior high and high school students are welcome to join with a group of friends or their parents in the main session!

Bible Study: God of Freedom by Jen Wilkin

Monday September 18, 7-8:30pm OR

Wednesday September 20, 9:15-11am (Coffee at 9:15, study begins promptly at 9:30)

Cost: \$30 for the workbook (includes personal video access)

[Register for Bible Study](#)

Every book of the Bible tells us what is true about God. In Genesis we see Him as Creator and Covenant Maker. In Exodus we see Him as our strong Deliverer who sets us free from sin and death.

In this 10-session study of Exodus 19–40, we'll journey through the story of how God shepherds His newly-freed children into an understanding of what their freedom means and how we, as God's children, live as those set free today.

Childcare is available on Wednesday mornings for a cost. We do not want money to be an obstacle to your ability to attend, if it is, please let us know at women@southviewchurch.com



Mom's Group: Calm My Anxious Heart by Linda Dillow

Wednesday September 27, 9:30-11am

Cost: \$25 for book

[Register for Mom's Group](#)

For Moms of young ones and expectant moms, we offer an opportunity for you to meet together on Wednesday mornings for Connection, Community, & Childcare.

Even though we want to be content and trust God, we can still feel overwhelmed by worry. Filled with encouragement and practical help for overcoming anxiety, this 10-session Bible study for women explains what God says about contentment and offers ways to apply it to daily life.

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Hurting Moms, Mending Hearts with Heather Allenbrand

Thursday September 14, 7-8:30pm

[Register for Hurting Moms Mending Hearts](#)

A community of moms who understand the pain of having a child who is making destructive decisions and disengaging from their family. This 10-week, faith-based support group provides a safe place where moms can come together to share with one another, find encouragement and hope.

It is our prayer that through this community, you will find comfort and healing, and a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

The Lord heals the broken-hearted and binds up their wounds. Psalm 147:3b

M&M Ministry: Thanksgiving Meals for Sonshine Centre

Thursday October 5, 9:30am

Every Fall, as a way to show the love of Christ, we gift the 24 families at the Sonshine Centre with Thanksgiving meals. If you like to bake or cook, or are able to donate food or small gift items, please email Judith at cookiequeen12@gmail.com. All items are to be delivered to the church by 9:30am on Thursday October 5.

Needleworx with Dawne Michaud

Thursday Oct 12, Nov 9, Dec 7 from 9:30-11:30am

Are you looking for deeper Christian community? Do you enjoy needlework? Whether knitting or needlepoint, cross-stitch or crochet, if it uses a needle (but not an extension cord), bring it along and join us as we build friendships, grow in community, and engage together with weekly sermon questions.

This group meets once a month and there's no need to register. Please direct any questions to Dawne at todawne@icloud.com

Women's Advent Retreat

Save The Date: December 1, evening session and December 2, morning session

Learn how to prepare your heart for the season of Advent as we look together at the joy, love, peace and hope this season brings in Christ and how these Advent themes are woven throughout all of Scripture.

Additional Upcoming Events:

- Adult Christian Education Class, Sundays, 9:15-10:30am with Don Kowalenko
- Seniors Drop In Coffee, 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month from 8:30-10:30am
- Seniors Bible Study, Thursdays 10-11:30am
- Membership Class, Sunday Oct 1, 7:30-9pm
- GroupLink, Wednesday Oct 11, 7-9pm
- Baptism Class, Thursday Oct 26, 7-8pm (The next Baptism weekend is Nov 4/5)

Contact women@southviewchurch.com for more information.

