

2023-24 CLASSES

**Offerings on this page:
9:00 – 10:00 am on Sundays, unless otherwise
noted
are in person the Upper Room,
and by Zoom**
(Link available on the website and in the
weekly Sunday Schedule)

Acts: Bible Study Guide

September 17 – October 22, 2023
led by Reuben Garcia

Based on renowned theologian N.T. Wright's popular Everyone Bible Study Guide, this class continues our look at how the work of Jesus Christ, through the Apostles, informs our Christian life and community today.

The Evolution of Music in Worship

October 29 to November 19, 2023
led by George Bollenbacher

Most of us think of music as an essential part of the worship experience, but how long has that been true, and how has music in worship evolved over the centuries. We will go back to the earliest known music and see how both music and worship have changed over time.

Racial Justice and the Christian Faith

February 4, 11, 18 & 25, 2024
led by Rev. Blaine Crawford

This class will be a follow-up to the racial justice training offered by the presbytery on Feb. 3, allowing participants to dig deeper into topics. Drawing from Scripture and theology, Rev. Crawford will also explore how our faith can and does lead to praying and working for racial justice in our communities, while navigating the pitfalls in more secular ideologies (conservative and progressive).

Our Artistic Expressions of the Trinity

March 3, 10, 17 & 24 and April 7 & 14
led by Rachel Glynn

During the six weeks of this class, participants will look at scripture and art depicting each person of the Trinity, then have a chance to express their own perceptions of these manifestations of God through art and discussion. No experience is necessary, and all are welcome!

Mental Health and Ministry

April 28 and May 5, 12, & 19, 2024
led by Nick Lawson, MSW

Whether anxiety or depression, PTSD or OCD, a growing number of youth and adults are facing the challenges of living with mental illness or loving someone with mental illness. Following up on last year's *Mental Health Challenges and the Church's Ministry*, this class will take a deeper look at a particular aspect of mental health, TBA, and how the church is called to respond.

Weekly Bible Study

Wednesdays, 9:30-10:30 am

Fall dates are

October 4, 11, 18, 25
November 8, 15, 22, 29

Rev. Crawford leads exploration of selected scripture. Bible beginners are welcome.

IPC Book Club

~2nd Friday monthly at 9:30 am on Zoom
~4th Tuesday monthly at 7:30 pm
in person at various locations TBA

Discussion of novels, poetry and non-fiction. Convened by Susan Breen (susan@susanjbreen.com); discussions led, and books recommended, by group participants.

More opportunities for study & fellowship

Special Class

Faith and Work Discipleship Group

8 evenings in Jan./Feb. 2024

Dates and time TBA

led by Rev. Blaine Crawford

This study is designed to explore God's hopes for our work and how work can be part of God's redemption. We will learn that work matters to God, from the actual work that we do, to the way we conduct ourselves and our relationships, to the hope we have for our vocations and industries. The group will have one-hour weekly meetings, reading and homework. To sign up, please contact Rev. Crawford to be registered on the on-line learning portal.

Saturday Workshop:

Anti-Racism Training

Saturday, February 3, 2024

10:00 am - 3:30 pm

led by members of the Racial Justice Team of the Presbytery of Hudson River: Kathy Deen, Rev. Susan DeGeorge, Rev. Jeff Geary, and CRE Dr. Connie Knapp

Using scripture, video clips and targeted small group discussion based on the Brownicity Curriculum's *What Lies Between Us*, the training is intended to foster our awareness and understanding of the race construct; challenge beliefs, thoughts and actions that are contrary to our faith; and equip us to talk about race and racism to better address the issue. Members of other congregations will be invited. More information TBA.



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Opportunities to grow in faith and discipleship



You are invited to be part of IPC's learning community, sharing your thoughts and your heart as we look at the Bible, church history, theology, and the way we live in the world as disciples of Jesus Christ.

**Adult
Christian Education
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