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## Sunday Bible Study - Series Guide

Menomonee Falls – Sunday  
9:15 a.m. – Church Basement

Germantown – Sunday  
10:30 a.m. – Omega Room

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**2018-2019 Theme: Created in Christ to Do Good**

*March 3 – March 24 – Friendship Evangelism.*  
**. Study Leader is Professor Sam Degner**

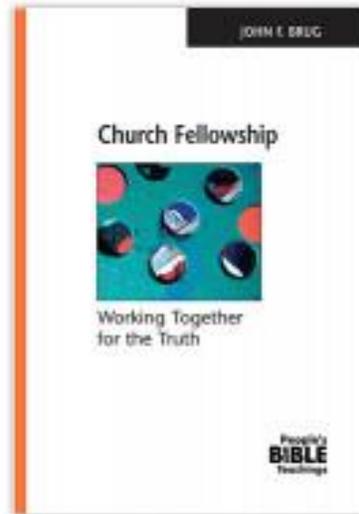
Is it possible that our best evangelists are sitting in pews and not standing behind pulpits? Jesus wants his church to bring his gospel to all people, and every one of us plays a role in that work. In fact, lay Christians are uniquely positioned to reach people in ways that their pastors cannot. This study will help us think about the mission of the church and our part in it. It will also offer practical ways to help the people who know you get to know Jesus.

*March 31, April 7, April 14, [April 21 is Easter], April 28; May 12, 19 [May 5 is confirmation day] -*  
**Connecting with Members of Other Denominations [Church Fellowship]. . Study Leader is Professor John Brug**

The Bible teaches that there is one, holy, Christian Church that consists of everyone who trusts in Christ as their Savior (the invisible church). It also teaches that we can practice fellowship in the visible church only with those who are united in a confession of all the teachings of Scripture. For example, we cannot commune with someone who does not believe in the real presence of Christ's body and blood in the

Lord's Supper. In this class we will discuss the application of this principle to many aspects of religious life.

### **A Study on Church Fellowship**



Through the lens of Scripture, the book Church Fellowship from the People's Bible Teachings series aims to bring understanding to the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) practice of closed Communion and its opposition to lodges and scouting. The book reviews the historic Lutheran debate for new generations and teaches us to show love to others as we state a clear testimony to the truth.

The authors of the books in the People's Bible Teachings series are pastors and professors who have had years of experience teaching the Bible.

[This book, written by Professor John Brug, is available for sale in print and ebook at nph.net](http://nph.net)

### **Need Tension Release After a Tough Day at Work or at Home?**

Curl up by the fire or your patio with a good book from our *Church Library*.

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#### **Kindle your faith's flame**

How many books are on your e-reader?

Check out our synod's Northwestern Publishing House website and the e-book versions of wonderful studies in the Lord's Word! The website offers numerous e-books.

The book "**Prepared to Answer**" provides helpful examples for sharing your faith by supplying Scripture-based responses to common objections to Christianity. Through a unique narrative approach, the author gives engaging answers to frequently asked religious questions. After reading the book, you'll feel more prepared to answer questions that may arise.

#### Spiritual Growth Board

**The Spiritual Growth Board exists to recommend Biblical material and provide opportunities for Bible Study so that, growing in their understanding of God's Word, Bethlehem's members will increase in their spiritual maturity and grow in their service to the Lord.**

**"Come for the Peace, Stay for the Fun"**

**Save this brochure.** Take it home and stick it on your bulletin board or on the fridge. Someday, you might be seeking peace in the Lord's Word. Our Bible Studies provide a less structured, in-depth look at God's Word and its meaning in our lives. It's also good to get to know fellow believers better in these informal study and discussion groups.

## Weekly Bible Studies

### Sunday Evenings at 7:00 PM

Germantown Alpha Room and Streamed on Facebook Live!

**Topic:** *The Gospel of John: In the Upper Room*

If you knew that you only had one more opportunity to speak to your loved ones before your death, what would you say? This is precisely the situation we see in the "Upper Room Discourse" in John's Gospel. Join us as we examine the depth and beauty of the Savior's love for us! **Since this class is live-streamed on Facebook, you can join us from the comfort and convenience of your own home!** If you are new to the Sunday evening study, contact Pastor Arnold to learn how to connect with our live-stream.

### Monday Evenings at 7:00-8:15 PM

"Hope Grows" Bible Information Class

Germantown Alpha Room

**This class is on temporary hiatus.** This is an excellent class for anyone interested in becoming a member at Bethlehem and for current members who want to grow in their connection with Jesus. Childcare is available upon request. To register for a future class please contact Pastor Arnold at [parnold@bethlehem-wels.org](mailto:parnold@bethlehem-wels.org) or at (262) 225-0580.

### Tuesday Mornings at 10:15-11:15 AM

Menomonee Falls Council Room

**Topic:** *The End Times - The Millennium and the Eternal State*

Have you ever heard other Christian friends talk about the "millennium" - the 1,000 years described in Revelation? Have you ever wondered what heaven will be like? To what does "the new heavens and the new earth" refer? Join us on Tuesday mornings as we discuss these challenging theological issues and how they relate to our Christian lives. – Led by Pastor Arnold

### Wednesday Evenings

6:00 PM

Menomonee Falls Council Room

**Topic:** *Following God's Promise - The Life of Abraham*  
"Understand, then, that those who believe are children of Abraham" (Galatians 3:6). From his call to go to a land where the Lord would show him to the unthinkable command of sacrificing his son, Abraham is one of the most important models of Christian faith. Join us as we study Abraham's life, focusing on the grace of God that makes him "the father of those who believe." – Led by Pastor Arnold

### Thursday Mornings

6:45 AM

Menomonee Falls Bible Study Room

Thursday mornings, we spend a half hour digging into the basic doctrines of Scripture, using the same outline as Luther's Catechism. – Led by Pastor Schmidt

### Saturday Mornings, Beginning 9/8

8:00 AM

Menomonee Falls Council Room

Men's Bible Study

**Topic:** *Hard Sayings of Jesus*

There's no getting around it. Sometimes, Jesus says hard things! The men of Bethlehem are encouraged to join us on Saturday mornings as we explore some of Jesus' "hard sayings," trusting that God blesses those who wrestle with his Word. – Led by Pastor Arnold

### Friday/Saturday Evenings

**Couples group (although singles always welcome!)**

Study led by members and meets at members' homes biweekly, generally on Saturdays. We continue to study End Times from The People's Bible series. Contact Gary Schilling via email at [gary.schilling@med.ge.com](mailto:gary.schilling@med.ge.com) for more information.

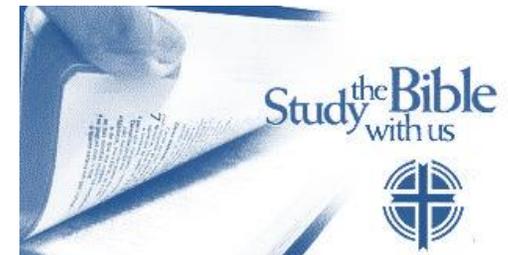
#### Have an Idea for a Study Group?

If you have an idea for a new study subject, a different time schedule or interest group, please share your ideas with us. Contact Pastor Arnold at (262) 251-3555 or [parnold@bethlehem-wels.org](mailto:parnold@bethlehem-wels.org)

# Bethlehem Adult Spiritual Growth

**"But grow in the  
grace and knowledge  
of our Lord and  
Savior Jesus Christ."**

**2 Peter 3:18**



**Schedule  
March - May  
2019**