

# **Groups at a Glance**

**Small Groups, Classes and Ministries**

**August – December 2018**



**First Assembly**

**Jesus spent 90% of his ministry with a small group of friends. We believe this is still the most meaningful way to live an abundant Christian life and disciple others effectively.**

**Part of our Group's Vision states:** *We believe for the day when every adult who calls First 'home', will be intimately connected to others in a small group.*

**Within these pages you will find a variety of ages, locations and Group topics to help you connect into community.**

**It is our prayer that everyone at First Assembly will find a Small Group of friends to share life with!**

*"And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." – Acts 2:42*

**Pastor Andrew Berggren**  
**Discipleship Pastor**

## Definitions:

**SG:** Small Group: 3-12 people regularly gathering in Jesus' name to share life, God's Word and ministry with each other and those outside the group.

**CL:** Class: A curriculum guided teaching focusing on understanding and applying Biblical principles.

**MIN:** Ministry: Collaboration around a Christ-centered activity aimed at serving others and uniting the group.

## **Meeting At Church:**

### **Sundays:**

#### **CL: Effective Mentoring**

Teaches effective mentoring with a focus on ministry.

Leader: Norma Kiser-Larson

When: Sundays - 9:30 AM

Begins: September 2

Location: Room 115

Contact: Norma.Kiser-Larson@ndsu.edu

#### **CL: Where is the Image of God in You?**

Expressing character traits in Godly ways

Leader: Jim and Caryn Neary

When: Sundays - 5:30 PM

Begins: September 9

Location: Coffee Shop

Contact: carynlightandsalt@gmail.com

#### **CL: Crossroads**

Choosing the road to sexual purity (Men Only)

Leader: Bill Scott

When: Sundays - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 9

Location: Room 115

Contact: bcourages@outlook.com

## **Tuesdays:**

### **CL: Stepping into Freedom**

A Christ-Centered twelve-step program (Women Only)

Leader: Nickie Lenertz

When: Tuesdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: August 7

Location: Fireside Room

Contact: nickielenertz@gmail.com

### **CL: Free to Grow**

Overcoming setbacks and disappointments

Leader: Tom Voss

When: Tuesdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: August 7

Location: Room 115

Contact: Vossface@hotmail.com

### **CL: Completely Free**

A group study of Romans 1-8 and 12

Leader: Walter Carlson

When: Tuesdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: August 7

Location: Room 116

Contact: walterdanecarlson@gmail.com

### **CL: Anger Our Master or Servant**

Biblical teaching to keep anger from controlling your life

Leader: Dustin Wallace

When: Tuesdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: August 7

Location: Room 117

Contact: dustin.wallace@firstassembly.fm

### **SG: Quilting Group**

For women who enjoy designing quilts for various missionary projects.

Leader: Lucille Johnson, Joannetta Larson

When: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays each month - 9:30 AM

Begins: August 14

Location: Room 213-214

Contact: lucillejohnson@cableone.net

### **SG: Children's Ministry Volunteers**

Creating community for those interested in Children's Ministry.

Leader: Terri Eckroth

When: Tuesdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 11

Location: Room 118

Contact: Eckrotht@casscountynynd.gov

### **SG: Women's Fellowship**

Connecting with other women (ages 25 – 40)

Leader: Tara Braunberger

When: 2nd Tuesday each month - 7:00 PM

Begins: September 11

Location: Coffee Shop

Contact: tbraunberger@hotmail.com

### **Wednesdays:**

#### **CL: Holy Spirit and Book of Acts, Adults aged 50+**

Leader: Bud and Eunice Bergquist

When: Wednesdays - 10:00 AM

Begins: September 5

Location: Coffee Shop

Contact: ebbergquist@gmail.com

### **SG: Book Study: Battlefield of the Mind**

Overcoming negative thought patterns with God's Word.

Leader: Chuck Engler

When: Wednesdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 5

Location: Room 101

Contact: chuckshair@gmail.com

### **CL: Godly Parenting**

Parenting skills at each stage of growth

Leader: Laurie Kelly

When: Wednesdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 5

Location: Room 115

Contact: ljkelly76@gmail.com

### **SG: "That I may know Him..."**

Study of the gospel of John with emphasis on life applications.

Leader: Ola Alabi, Daniel Ukpong

When: Wednesdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 5

Location: Fireside Room

Contact: oalabi4@gmail.com

### **SG: Adults Aged 50+ Bible study**

Study of the Bible in a comprehensive, systematic way.

Leader: Curry Mund

When: Wednesdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 5

Location: Room 117

Contact: mundc@fargoschools.org

### **SG: The Holy Spirit and Prophecy**

Leader: Gwen and Del Losing

When: 1st and 3rd Wednesday - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 5

Location: Room 118

Contact: [gdlosing@yahoo.com](mailto:gdlosing@yahoo.com)

### **SG: Young Couples and Families**

Creating community and encouragement between young couples and families.

Leader: David and Alissa Leedah

When: One Wednesday each month - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 19

Location: Atrium (Rear lobby)

Contact: N/A

### **CL: Financial Peace University**

Dave Ramsey's 9 week class for eliminating debt!

Leader: Jim Lipke

When: Wednesdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 5

Location: Room 211 (**registration and fees associated**)

Contact: jimlipke77@gmail.com

### **SG: Older Adult Bible Study**

Systemic study of various books/ topics from the Bible.

Leader: Larry Gunther

When: Wednesdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 5

Location: Coffee Shop

Contact: Larryg@firstassembly.fm

### **SG: Acoustic Worship and Bible Study**

A relaxed environment where we'll meet to worship together and study the scriptures. We'll begin our study in the book of John.

Leader: Shane and Amy Mercer

When: Wednesdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 5

Location: Room 150 – below stage

Contact: jshanemercer@gmail.com

**SG: Parents with Kids (at capacity)**

Leader: Steve and Susan Larson

When: Wednesdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 12

Location: At Church

Contact: N/A

**Thursdays:**

**CL: Peacemaking**

Responding Biblically to conflict

Leader: Brady Kelly

When: Thursdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 6

Location: Coffee Shop

Contact: bradyk@firstassembly.fm

**CL: Understanding Depression**

Overcoming despair through Christ

Leader: Julie Stanley, Glenda Fobes-Ziemer

When: Thursdays - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 6

Location: Room 116

Contact: tazzphan@yahoo.com

**Saturdays:**

**MIN: All Church Prayer**

Leader: Pastoral Staff

When: Saturdays - 8:00 AM

Begins: Meets every week

Location: Sanctuary

Contact: info@firstassembly.fm



### **SG: Men's Fellowship group**

Join us for fellowship and coffee as we study the Word and pray.

Leader: Brad Shaffer, Ron Weiss, Richard Dietrich

When: Saturdays - 9:00 AM

Begins: Meets every week

Location: Coffee Shop

Contact: shaffer.bradford.scott@gmail.com

## **Meeting Off-site:**

### **Sundays:**

#### **SG: Holy Spirit**

Study on gifting's of the Holy Spirit.

Leader: Sarah and Mark Uhler

When: Sundays - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 9

Location: Off-site

Contact: sarahuhler7@gmail.com

### **Mondays:**

#### **SG: Young Couples Group**

Relational mentoring for dating, engaged or married young couples.

Leader: Steven and Kasey Widner

When: 1st and 3rd Monday - 6:30 PM

Begins: August 13th

Location: Off-site

Contact: stevenw@firstassembly.fm

#### **SG: Men's group**

Helping men live righteously in their homes and work places.

Leader: Randy Julian

When: Mondays - 7:00 PM

Begins: September 3

Location: Off-site

Contact: randy\_julian@aol.com

## **Tuesdays:**

### **SG: Young Married Couples (20's-early 30's)**

Our group is all about doing life together.

Leader: Stephen and Taylor Glasser

When: 2nd and 4th Tuesday - 6:15 PM

Begins: August 28

Location: Off-site

Contact: N/A

### **SG: Couples Group: 40's and 50's**

Leader: Phil and Ellen Sondreal

When: 1st and 3rd Tuesday - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 4

Location: Off-site

Contact: Pssondreal@gmail.com

### **SG: Young Engaged or Married Couples**

Focus on studying God's plan for marriage and developing deeper relationships with each other.

Leader: Bennett and Alexis Uhler, Bryce and Anna Beckstrand

When: Second Tuesday - 7:00 PM

Begins: September 11

Location: Off-site

Contact: bennett.uhler@gmail.com

## **Wednesdays:**

### **SG: 20s-40s Ladies Book Study**

*Seamless* by Angie Smith

Leader: Whitney Leedahll

When: 1st and 3rd Wednesday - 6:00 AM

Begins: August 21

Location: Off-site

Contact: whitneyleedahll@gmail.com

**SG: REACH Missions**

Exploring God's heart and call to reach others, near and abroad.

Leader: Katlyn Nap

When: 2nd and 4th Wednesday - 7:00 PM

Begins: September 12

Location: Off-site

Contact: Missionsadmin@firstassembly.fm

**SG: *The Quest* by Beth Moore**

Young adult women's group

Leader: Stacy Rice

When: 2nd and 4th Wednesday - 6:45 PM

Begins: September 12

Location: Off-site

Contact: N/A

**SG: Women's group**

Discussion on sermon series, sharing and prayer.

Leader: Rose Freitag, Barb Rice

When: 1st and 3rd Wednesday - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 19

Location: Off-site

Contact: rosella.freitag@yahoo.com

**Thursdays:**

**CL: Facing Fear, Finding Faith**

Biblical coping methods for facing fear, anxiety & worry

Leader: Natalie White

When: Thursdays - 7:00 PM

Begins: September 13

Location: Off-site

Contact: mimijeany@hotmail.com

### **SG: 20's – 30's Engaged or Married Couples**

Focus on strengthening couples relationship with each other and the Lord.

Leader: Tyler and Mary Brandriet

When: 2nd and 4th Thursdays - 7:00 PM

Begins: September 13

Location: Off-site

Contact: marybrandriet@gmail.com

### **SG: Older Adults 50+**

Watch "Mysteries of the Prophetic Hour", by Jonathan Cahn

Leader: Joe and Christy Robertson

When: 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday – 7:00 PM

Begins: September 6

Location: Off-site

Contact: gunslinger@rrt.net

### **Fridays:**

#### **SG: Young Dad's**

Leader: Nate Leedahl

When: 1st Friday - 6:00 AM

Begins: September 3<sup>rd</sup> (email leader for dates)

Location: Off-site

Contact: nateleedahl@gmail.com

#### **SG: Fellowship and Study Group**

We meet for fellowship, prayer, and learning how to live victoriously and overcome life's trials using God's Word.

Leader: Dan and Carla Leitheiser

When: Fridays - 7:30 PM

Begins: August 17

Location: Off-site

Contact: danleitheiser@hotmail.com

### **SG: Men's Group**

Men's Luncheon at Happy Joe's

Leader: Cal Thompson

When: 1st Friday - 11:30 AM

Begins: September 7

Location: Off-site (2511 S. University Drive - Fargo)

Contact: calt@firstassembly.fm

### **SG: Study group (at capacity)**

Biblical sharing and teaching on a rotating basis.

Leader: Ron Weiss, Rita Haman

When: 1st and 3rd Friday - 6:30 PM

Begins: September 7

Location: Offsite

Contact: N/A

## **Groups for Middle/High School Students & Parents**

### **CL: 7 Life Skills Students Need To Succeed:** (For Parents Only)

Leader: Pastor Cal Thompson

When: Sundays - 11:00 AM

Begins: September 9<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>

Location: Fireside Room

### **CL: Know What You Believe:** (For Students Only)

Leader: Daniel Lewis

When: Sundays - 11:00 AM

Begins: September 9<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>

Location: Youth Center

## **PLACE Class:**

Discovering your personality type, spiritual gifts and life experiences to help you be purposefully PLACED in the body.

Leader: Natalie White

When: Sunday mornings September 16, 23 & 30 at 10:45 AM

**OR** Wednesday evenings October 10, 17, & 24 at 6:30 PM

Location: Room 203 (**Registration required**)

Contact: firstassemblyplace@gmail.com

## **Groups for Young Adults (ages 20-30)**

All Canvas groups meet at 7:00pm off-site

### **SG: Canvas Ladies groups:**

Kylie Dale - dalekylie@yahoo.com

Sarah Martin - sarahmartin2011@yahoo.com

Kate Murphy - Kaitlynmurphy@outlook.com

Holly Orth - holly.anne718@gmail.com

### **SG: Canvas Guys groups:**

JoJo Simpson - Jeresim@yahoo.com

Michael Keating - Mkeating@firstassembly.fm

Jonathan Berntson - Jonathan.berntson@gmail.com

Andrew Berggren - AndrewB@firstassembly.fm

### **SG: Canvas Couples group:**

Josh and Brittany Kugler - the.kugster@gmail.com

## **Groups for College Students**

### **SG: Chi Alpha:**

Groups for college students.

Leaders: Chi Alpha leaders

When: 80 groups meeting at various times

Location: Various.

Information: fmchialpha.com

## **Ministries at Church:**

### **MIN: OASIS**

**Older Adults Still In Service – all adults welcome**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 4:00 PM - Fireside room

### **MIN: ARISE Worship**

**Living Free – all adults welcome**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at 6:30 PM - Fireside room

### **MIN: CANVAS**

**Young Adults – 20 –30 yr. olds in the career world**

1st Thursday at 7:00 PM – Youth Center

August 9<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> & then every 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday starting Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>

### **MIN: YOUTH**

Information: [stephaniek@firstassembly.fm](mailto:stephaniek@firstassembly.fm)

Summer Combined 7:00 – 8:15 PM – Ends August 29th

**YOUTH Kick Off** – Wednesday September 5<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM

**Fall YOUTH** – Begins September 12th

Grades 6-8 – Wednesdays 6:30 PM – Youth Center

Grades 9-12 Wednesdays 7:45 PM – Youth Center

### **MIN: KIDS' MINISTRY**

Information: [kidsministries@firstassembly.fm](mailto:kidsministries@firstassembly.fm)

**JBQ** – (Grades 5/K-6) Wednesdays – 6:30 PM

**Begins September 5th**

**AWANA** – (Ages 3 – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade) Sundays 5:30 PM

**Begins September 9th**

For more information visit: [firstassembly.fm/groups/](http://firstassembly.fm/groups/)

For more information about a particular group, use their email to contact them.

For Small Groups meeting off-site, please contact the leader for the location.

If you would like to register online for a group, go to: [www.firstassembly.fm/groups](http://www.firstassembly.fm/groups) and click on the **Find my Group** button.

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9:30 AM & 11:00 AM  
6:00 PM (The Shift)

*The Shift*  
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*OFFICE HOURS*  
9:00 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday - Friday  
(Noon – 12:30 PM closed for lunch)