

The Story Continues...

Monday – Crossways Bible Study. Meets from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday – Lunch and Learn Women's Bible study. Meets from 12 – 1:30 p.m. Bring a lunch.

Wednesday Morning – Studying *The Greatest Story*. 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday Evening – Beginning on January 11 examine top news stories and how they relate to God's story that we read in scripture. The conversation begins at 7 and lasts until 8:30 p.m. Pastor Justin facilitates this lively conversation.

Thursday – Studying "My Story". Meets from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. in the homes of participants and at Good Shepherd.

Saturday – Uses *The Greatest Story* in weekly reflection of texts heard in worship the following day. Meets at 11 a.m.

Sunday Morning at 9:30 – January 8 a six-eight week conversation about faith and science begins using *Biology and Belief: Conversations in Faith and Science*. Classes traditionally combine video presentations and reading with discussion.

Sunday Morning at 11 – Studying *God Establishes A Faithful People* which looks at God's promise to Abraham and Sarah as it is passed from generation to generation using the books of Genesis, Luke and Galatians.

Sunday Evening – A new conversation about the stories of Elizabeth and Zechariah, Mary Magdalene, and Lazarus of Bethany is set to begin on Sunday, January 8. Meets from 7:-8:30 p.m.



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We are called, gathered and blessed to be a community and instrument of grace for all sheep of the Good Shepherd.

Worship Services: 8 , 9:30 & 11 AM ♦ Sunday School: 9:30 & 11 AM  
Nursery Provided



What's YOUR Story?

The Bible tells the stories of people living their faith over the centuries and, through its demands and promises, God forms us as a people of faith.\* In order to increase Biblical fluency as a congregation, over the next nine months we will explore some of those major faith stories in the Old and New Testaments to understand how God's faithfulness has formed and continues to form people of faith.

*\* Opening the Book of Faith, Augsburg Fortress, 2008.*

Below is an outline of [God's Story. Our Story.](#) through the end of March 2012. Feel free to hang it in a convenient place or place it in your Bibles or next to your computer as you follow along at home. The Focus Reading is what you will hear in worship each Sunday and what we will focus on in the sermon. The Extended Reading assignment is what we suggest you read if you want to take your learning and reading a little deeper from week to week. Your participation in [God's Story. Our Story.](#) can be as simple as coming to worship each week. Or, you can go deeper in your commitment by reading ahead, participating in a Bible study, completing the weekly Your Story connection found either online or in the Narthex on Sunday, or blogging online with us on your [God's Story. Our Story.](#) experience.

Date	Topic	Title	Extended & Focus Reading	Focus Story/People
12/24/11	The New Old Story	The Lord has made known to us	Luke 2:1-20	Shepherds
12/25/11	The Birth of Jesus Announced	Do not be afraid.	Luke 2:8-20	Shepherds
1/01/12	Beginning of Jesus' ministry	The Spirit immediately drove him.	Mark 1:1-45	Jesus, John the Baptist, Disciples
1/08/12	Jesus calls disciples	I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.	Mark 2:1-3:35	Levi & the Apostles
1/15/12	Parables of the Kingdom	Let anyone with ears to hear listen.	Mark 4:1-41	Listeners
1/22/12	Gerasene Demoniac, healing Jairus' daughter and a woman healed	Little girl, get up!	Mark 5:1-43	Recipients of healing miracles
1/29/12	Jesus rejected, sends the 12, John beheaded	Prophets are not without honor...	Mark 6:1-29	Those who reject Jesus
2/05/12	Feeding the Five Thousand	He had compassion for them.	Mark 6:30-56	Hungry Crowd
2/12/12	What defiles a person, healing	Be opened.	Mark 7:1-37	The elders, a Syrophenician woman and a deaf man
2/19/12	Peter's Confession & Rebuke	You are the Messiah.	Mark 8:1-9:1	Peter
2/22/12	Instructions on piety	Your Father who sees in secret will reward you.	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21	Listeners
2/26/12	Transfiguration/ Passion Prediction	This is my son, the beloved; listen to him.	Mark 9:2-50	Disciples
2/29/12	Peter	Yes, Lord; you know that I love you	Matthew 26:69-75 John 20:1-10	Peter
3/04/12	Rich young ruler	For God all things are possible.	Mark 10:1-52	Rich Young Ruler
3/7/12	Caiaphas & Pilate	Have you no answer?	Matthew 26:57-68; 27:1-2, 11-24	Caiaphas & Pilate
3/11/12	Entering Jerusalem/ Cleansing the Temple	You have made it a den of robbers.	Mark 11:1-12:12	People of Jerusalem
3/14/12	Mary Magdalene	I have seen the Lord.	Luke 8:1-3; John 19:16-20:18	Mary Magdalene
3/18/12	First Commandment/Widows Offering	Which commandment is the first of all?	Mark 12:13-44	One of the scribes
3/21/12	Judas	I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.	Matthew 26:20-25, 47-56; 27:3-5	Judas
3/25/12	The close of the age	Keep awake!	Mark 13:1-37	The coming days
3/28/12	Mary the Mother of Jesus	Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.	Luke 1:26-56 John 19:16-30	Mary the Mother of Jesus