



Love, Connect and Serve on the Journey with Christ

sundays at 8:15, 9:45, 11:15 am

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WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE! Thanks for joining us today! We don't want to miss the opportunity of connecting with you. So, whether you are visiting for the first time or are a regular attendee please take a moment to fill out the *Blue Connection Card* in the seat pocket in front of you. Please return it to the seat pocket or leave it on your seat.

If you would like to give toward the ministries of Crossroads Church, please place your gift in one of the Tithes and Offerings Boxes located at each Worship Center exit. Online giving is also available on our website at www.crossroadsefc.com

Looking for more information? If you'd like to learn more about something you heard during Crossroads announcements regarding upcoming events or the ministries at Crossroads, please visit our Welcome Center Kiosk located in the Connection Area or visit our website at www.crossroadsefc.com.

We wanted you to know that...

- Assisted hearing devices are available during our services at the Welcome Kiosk.
- Once a worship service has begun, we ask that all entering and exiting the Worship Center use the east or west doors (not the center, please).
- Misplaced something? If so, please check the Welcome Kiosk for lost & found items.

In order to make our services available online and in other locations, photography and video recordings may take place while you're here at Crossroads. Your presence signifies your consent for Crossroads Church to use your image. Thanks for your cooperation.

three things...

When attending Crossroads, we want to encourage everyone to consider doing three things. The first is to *faithfully attend Sunday morning services*. Consistent attendance allows you to connect with others, engage in meaningful corporate worship and in sound Biblical teaching. The second is to *serve somewhere within our ministry*. When we all jump in to help serve, we bless those around us, use our God-given gifts and talents while strengthening our church body. The final thing we ask people to do is to *join a Community Group*! We believe the best way to connect with others, apply God's Word to our lives, provide care for one another and do life with people who truly care about you is through a Community Group! You need community and someone in community needs you! We'd love to help you find a place to serve and get connected to a Community Group! Our next opportunity to join a Community Group will be on Saturday, September 29th, at our GroupLink Event.

*Today is the last day to register for GroupLink. See the GroupLink Registration Card in your seat pocket.

announcements

- If you have been attending Crossroads for a few weeks or the past few months and you would like to attend a <u>Newcomer's Luncheon</u> to get more information about Crossroads, please mark the RSVP option on the front of the Connection Card. The free luncheon will be on Sunday, September 30th, after the third service in the Station.
- Keep Voting for the Crossroads/Kids Hope Project Spotlight with Beacon Credit Union! You can vote through September 30th, so please continue to vote daily for our Kids Hope partnership on the Beacon Credit Union Project Spotlight website at www.beaconcu.org/project-spotlight-nomineesmarshall-county. Monies from this contest will help Crossroads provide special events for the children we serve at Jefferson Elementary in Plymouth as well as at Culver Elementary School!
- Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is just around the corner! It's hard to believe but it's true! As a church, we'll begin to promote OCC heavily in October however, you can get a start on things now! Find out all about OCC by visiting their website at www.samaritanspurse.org and learn how a simple shoebox can impact a child's life for Jesus. Crossroads donated over 500 shoeboxes last year. We hope to do more of the same this year!
- Love Week Survey Winners! A big thank you to those that completed our Love Week 2018 surveys! We loved reading all of your feedback and will use it to help us improve things for 2019! There were two winners of a \$25.00 gift card to Applebee's. Our Culver winner is Megan Mitterling and Carmen Miron from our Plymouth campus! Congratulations!

you need community... and somebody in community needs you!

Are you ready to move out of the row you're sitting in and into a circle of people who are ready to connect with others in a more meaningful way? If you're ready to engage in community with others, then it's time to join a Community Group! Community Groups are small groups that meet each week in someone's home to develop relationships with one another, engage in God's Word, support one another through prayer and to build friendships outside of Sunday mornings. You can join a Community Group through our upcoming GroupLink Event on Saturday, September 29th, at 6:00 pm. This fun, interactive event allows you the meet new group leaders and select the group that works best for you and your family! Register today! See the GroupLink Registration Card in your seat pocket.

sermon notes

connect with us...

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connection card

☐ 1st time guest	☐ 2 nd time guest	☐ Visiting family/friends	■ Regula	r Attendee/Member		
Name(s)		*If you are visiting for the first time or are a regular				
Email		attendee please take a moment to fill out this				
Home Addres		card.				
City/State/Zip	ate					
Cell (His/Her)			I heard about Crossroads through			
Phone						
	☐ Please update	e my information				
RSVP : I/we plan to attend the Newcomers Luncheon on						
September 30th, there will be # attending: (names)						

Today my next step is to:

- Receive Christ as my personal Lord & Savior (Rom 3:23; 5:8; 6:23; 10:9-10;
- ☐ In response to today's message, I plan to:

Please send info or contact me about:

- Becoming a follower of Jesus Christ
- ☐ How to get connected with people at Crossroads
- ☐ Baptism Going public with my faith
- Become a member of Crossroads
- Being counselled through Crossroads
- ☐ Crossroads Connecting Online (cco)
- ☐ Being added as a Prayer Warrior
- Serving opportunities at Crossroads

Comments, Prayer Requests: Please place completed card in seat pocket. Thank you.

All prayer requests are shared with our prayer warrior group.

□ Confidential for Pastoral Staff and Elders only



Want to learn more about Crossroads? Who we are? What we

membership at Crossroads? Answers to these questions and more can be found by participating in our Connecting on the Journey Target Group class!

This is THE best way to get to know more about Crossroads Church and how you and your family can get plugged in with the Crossroads ministries

- COJ classes begin on October 7th & end November 4th (5 wks)
- Classes meet 1st Service (8:15 am) on Sunday in Room 106
- RSVP by completing the bottom portion of this card and placing it in one of the Tithe & Offering Boxes
- Sign-up ends September 30th
- There is no cost to participate in this class

- SIGN UP TODAY -

<u>Instructions:</u> If you'd like to sign up for *Connecting on the Journey* class, please:

1) complete this form and 2) place it in one of the Tithe & Offering boxes

Participant Name(s):______



Who should participate in the Connecting on Journey Target Group Class? Connecting on the Journey (COJ) classes are geared for anyone attending Crossroads that would like to learn more about who we are, what we believe and so much more!

Considering formal membership at Crossroads? We strongly encourage anyone considering formal membership at Crossroads to participate in this class before applying. Why? This class will best prepare you to understand our ministry and how you can best Love, Connect and Serve at Crossroads!

What are the topics covered during the 5 week class? There are 5 topics covered. They are: 1) Welcome to Crossroads 2) What We Believe 3) Serving at Crossroads 4) Meet the Staff, and 5) Connecting in Community.

How is this Target Group Class connected with the Newcomer's Luncheon? Even though this is a stand alone Target Group class, we strongly encourage those who attend our Newcomer's Luncheon to take the class. Those who have taken the class have commented that it is the BEST way to learn about Crossroads and truly understand the vision and mission of the church.

How do I sign up? What does it cost? Simply fill out the form on the back of this sheet and slip it in one of the Tithe & Offering boxes in the Worship Center. The class is free!





What are Community Groups? Community Groups are our small group ministry for adults at Crossroads. It's a place where 8 – 12 adults meet weekly, in someone's home, to develop healthy relationships and engage in God's Word while working to provide care, support, and accountability with one another. They are for adults of all ages, stages of life and spiritual maturity.

Why Community Groups? We want to be disciples who make disciples. We believe that the most effective way to do this is within the context of small groups.

Where do Community Groups meet and how often do they meet? Groups gather together weekly in homes.

What's the format of a Community Group? A typical group meeting might be structured as follows:

- 30 minutes: Social time (snack food is often available; some groups even share a meal together)
- 1 hour: Bible, book, video or curriculum study
- 30 minutes: Prayer requests and prayer

What would be expected of me if I were to join a Community Group? There are three simple things that will help you get the most out of participating in a Community Group...

<u>Show Up</u> = Make a commitment to get connected to your group.

 $\underline{\textit{Join In}}$ = Participate in the conversation; begin to connect relationally with the people in the group

<u>Be Real</u> = Open up about who you are...who you really are.

How can I join a Community Group? To join a Community Group you simply need to attend our GroupLink Event on Saturday, September 29th. To learn more about the GroupLink Event, just flip to the other side of this insert!

<u>REGISTER FOR GROUPLINK TODAY</u> see your seat pocket for more information!

what is GroupLink?

GroupLink is a two hour event where you will meet and connect with others in your area of town and stage of life to start a Community Group. Community Groups are small groups of approximately eight to twelve adults that meet weekly in someone's home to develop healthy relationships and engage in God's Word while working to provide care, support, and accountability with one another. They are for adults of all ages, stages of life and spiritual maturity.

GroupLink is the primary way to get connected into a group. At GroupLink, we don't place you in a group — you choose your own.

upcoming GroupLink info.

Saturday, September 29th

At Crossroads Church

Registration begins at 6:00 pm

Event kicks off at 6:20 pm

Appetizers will be served.

*There is no childcare provided



what is expected of me?

There are three simple things that we ask every family to do when joining a new Community Group: Show Up, Join In, Be Real

We ask you to initially commit to meet with your group for eight weeks. You will spend that time getting to know each other and doing a short Bible study. At the end of the eight weeks, you can choose to continue with your group or choose to join a new group at the next GroupLink Event.

To sign up for the next GroupLink Event please fill out the GroupLink Registration Card found in the seat pocket in front of you.