

# **FALL** 2015



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# Cottonwood Community Church

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# HELLO AND WELCOME TO COTTONWOOD'S **COMMUNITY!**

"And all the believers met together constantly....They worshipped together...met in homes for the Lord's supper, and shared their meals with great joy and generosity... all the while praising God and enjoying the goodwill of all the people. And each day the Lord added to their group those who were being saved."

Acts 2:41-44 (NLT select portions)

In a church of close to 200 people, someone could attend church for several weeks or months or even years and still not feel connected. This is what makes "groups" so important! We believe that 'othersoriented' love and real spiritual growth happen best in a caring community of friends. Whether it is a home group, a bible study, accountability group or some other group, you will grow best with other people! Gathering together regularly to encourage and challenge each other in God's Word and prayer are central to your spiritual growth as a follower of Christ.

Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. <sup>25</sup> Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Hebrews 10:24-25 (NIV84)

# **College**



Submerge is Cottonwood's campus ministry. Our Submerge home group is a group of people who meet weekly with the goals of building strong relationships based on love and grace, seeking God together, and simply doing life together.

**UND - On Campus** 



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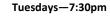
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Thursdays—7:00pm

We are group of college students who seek to love the LORD with all our hearts. Our vision is to build each other up, as a family, in our walks with the Lord and to plant seeds in the harvest field of the UND campus. We would love to have you join us, wherever you are in your walk with God.

#### YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

#### **Following in the Moment**





**Andrew Rice** - 701.650.0198 -nd rice@yahoo.com



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We are mostly single 20-30-somethings who have a heart for building close friendships on the foundation of Christ's love, while serving alongside each other in the community. This year we will volunteer in the community, grow spiritually together in our bible studies, and spend time in fellowship (par-tay!). Feel free to join!

### **YOUNG MARRIEDS**

# **Growing in Truth**

Tuesdays-6:30pm

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A group of young married professionals that have a desire to grow and enrich their walk with Christ. Our focus will be on continuing to build strong marriages by strengthening our walk with Christ. Our initial study will coincide with the sermon series "I love Sundays" and then will continue on to a Bible focused study. We'd love to have you join us.

# **YOUNG FAMILIES**

## Married w/kids & Loving It Wednesdays-6:30pm



Scott & Grace Holm (S) 218.791.1831 (G) 701.739.5396

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We are a group of young married couples with little ones who are learning how to love God and each other better by putting Christ at the center of our lives. The focus of our group is to encourage each other in our personal walks with the Lord. We are a fun-loving group and would enjoy having you join us! We'll meet every other Wednesday and start with the discussions for the "I Love Sundays," sermon series. Then, we will transition to a marriage-based study.

### **Following God & Having Fun**



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Sundays—6pm

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Whether you are a veteran in the faith or just starting in this whole following Jesus thing, our home group desires to help you fall deeper in love with Jesus, while allowing God's word to transform our marriages, empower our parenting, deepen a sense of authentic community with one another, and have lots of fun. We meet every other Sunday evening for a pot luck, fellowship, prayer, & digging into God's Word.

# **YOUNG FAMILIES**

#### **Raising Generation Next** Thursdays-6:30pm



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We believe raising our kids to be mature in Christ is the primary calling God has given us as parents in fulfilling the Great Commission. We will encourage each other through God's Word to become more like Jesus and to raise our kids to follow Him along with us! We'll start with the discussions for the "I Love Sundays," sermon series. We meet twice each month.

#### Faithful Families

#### 1st & 3rd Sundays-5:00pm



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We start out with supper together and then spend time encouraging and challenging each other in the Word. We simply want to follow God as faithfully as we can. We'll look to apply the truths of scripture to our lives in how we raise our kids, relate in a marriage, and live in this world. We would love to meet you!

# **YOUNG FAMILIES**

#### **Families Following God**

#### Thursdays-6:30pm



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We are a group of young married couples with little ones who are learning how to love God and each other better by putting Christ at the center of our lives. The focus of our group is to encourage each other in our personal walks with the Lord. We are a fun-loving group and would enjoy having you join us! We'll meet every other Wednesday and start with the discussions for the "I Love Sundays," sermon series. Then we plan to focus our study on a book of the Bible as it relates to raising a family.

# **MIXED**

Walk the Walk

Day? Time?



Duane & Teresa LeTexier -701.739.1994 (D) or 701.741.8087 (T)

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We are a group of people that want to help each other follow God and learning to experience Him in all aspects of our lives. We will begin by going through the discussions that accompany the "I Love Sundays" sermon series this fall and will continue to grow deeper in God's Word. All ages, single or married, and all stages of life are welcome to join us.

#### **MIXED**

#### **Truth Seekers**

Tuesdays-7:00pm



Craig & Chris Letvin

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This is a group for people in any stage of life. The Bible is a treasure with life changing discoveries on every page. Discuss, uncover, realize, and share what God wants to communicate through His word! Do life together with people who are seeking God's will in all different stages of life. We will start this fall by coinciding with the 'I Love Sundays' series. After that we will be continuing a Bible Study on the book of James. We'd love to have you join us!

#### **Under the Radar**

#### Mondays-6:30pm



**Bruce & Shari Schindler** 

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This is a group for people in any stage of life. We are seeking to humbly listen to God's "still small voice" and experience the power of God's Word to change lives! We'll start with the discussions for the "I Love Sundays," sermon series. But will move on to another Bible study later in the year. We would love to have you join us and grow with us!

#### **FAMILIES WITH TEENS**

**Crossfire: Parent Teen Ministry** 

Wednesdays—6:45pm



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Our Parent Teen Ministry Vision: Parents, leaders and teens working together to encourage a multi-generational commitment to Jesus Christ, a steadfast devotion to the Bible and prayer, a strong pursuit of godliness, and a passion for sharing the life-changing message of the cross. We focus our study on Proverbs, the basic truths of the Christian faith, and developing spiritual disciplines to help us (parents and teens) to follow Christ for a lifetime. Our sessions will include some life lessons from parents of teens as well as personal life stories/ testimonies from young adults (college and young professionals) - followed by small group discussions. All teens and parents of teens are encouraged to attend!

#### **OTHER GROUPS**

# **Men's Fraternity**

Tuesday 6-7:30am



Pat Schultz
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This is a study for men who want to live up to their potential as men of God. We are going

through "Stepping Up" by Dennis Rainey. This 10 week Study challenges men to <a href="step-up">step-up</a> by taking the next step in their manhood journey. Through a DVD curriculum and robust discussion, this study focuses on equipping men to be the courageous life-giving leaders God means us to be in school, careers, family, marriage, and as follower of Christ. While the meeting time is early, it is work the sacrifice in order to 'get better' as a man. (Yes, we will have coffee hot and ready each morning, we know its early!)

Study begins Oct. 6th ends Dec. 8th.

Study book cost = \$15

#### **New Groups TBD**

Various Days & Times

New Groups occasionally form throughout the year at Cottonwood. Some of these groups form as a Men's or Women's group, other groups may form around a specific study such as <u>Financial Peace Univeristy</u> or <u>The Truth</u> <u>Project</u> or something similar. If you are interested in seeing a particular group or study get started, please contact the office or Pastor Pat Schultz. We'd love to hear from you!

#### Pat Schultz

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# Men's Breakfast

-cccbulletins@yahoo.com -701-772-4126

Meets the 3rd Saturday Oct-Apr: 7:30-8:30am

Dates: Oct. 17, (none in Nov.), Dec. 19, Jan. 16, Feb. 20, (none in Mar.) Apr. 16

A light breakfast of coffee, juice and rolls will be served.

Messages from various speakers to encourage and challenge men in their role as a man, husband, father, and servant of Christ will be shared.

# **Women's Breakfast**

-cccbulletins@yahoo.com -701-772-4126

Meets the 3rd Saturday Oct-Apr: 9:30-11am

Dates: Oct. 17, (none in Nov.), Dec. 19, Jan. 16, Feb. 20, (none in Mar.) Apr. 16

May 2015 (date TBD) = Women's Banquet

Messages from various speakers to encourage and challenge women in their role as a woman, wife, mother, and servant of Christ will be shared.

