

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

740 W. University Heights Dr. South
Flagstaff, AZ. 86005

Sunday Worship

9:00 AM & 10:45 AM

Sunday School for Children & Youth

10:45 AM

Nursery Provided At Both Services

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8:00 AM—4:00 PM

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EVERY MEMBER IN MINISTRY

The secret of the growth of the church is the involvement of the laity in meaningful ministry. The church grows because people invite people to visit and become a part of the church. The bottom line is that God uses people to bring people. People who are finding deep satisfaction in their meaningful ministry are excited to see God work through them and exhibit a spirit of invitation as they desire to share the joy with others.

We are called to serve. All God's people are to do the work of the ministry. God supplies pastors and teachers to equip the people of God for meaningful ministry (Ephesians 4:11-13). Members who are involved in a meaningful ministry are more interested in sharing what God is doing through them rather than finding fault and criticizing others. People who are rowing the boat don't have the time or interest to rock the boat. People who are absorbed in serving create a contagious atmosphere for inviting people and encouraging others to serve.

A number of years ago, legendary Oklahoma football coach Bud Wilkerson had become the Director of the President's Council on Physical Fitness. He was being interviewed by the media and one reporter asked, "Coach, what would you say is the contribution of major college football to the nation's level of physical fitness?" Coach Wilkerson responded, "Absolutely nothing." The reporter

stammered, "Would you care to elaborate on that?" He answered, "Yes... football is 22 men on the field desperately in need of rest and 50,000 people in the stands desperately in need of exercise!"

Oh, that this would *not* be a description of the Church of Jesus Christ! Christianity is not a spectator sport. It is not passive. We are not an audience to be entertained or spiritually fed. It is not a few weary people scurrying about trying to do all the work of the church while the vast majority are carefully trying to keep from getting involved. We need to empty the stands and get people into the game!

God gives spiritual gifts to His people and He expects us to discover our gifts (1 Corinthians 12, Romans 12, and Ephesians 4) and use them to build up the Body of Christ through our faithful service and meaningful ministry. We are to find a need and fill it and find a hurt and heal it. Meeting the needs of others is part of the joy of following Christ and changing the world.

If you would like to talk to Pastor Bob about how to use your gifts in service to COR, call him at 928-699-7592. May this New Year of 2015 be filled with meaningful ministry as God's people at Church of the Resurrection discover their gifts and say "Yes!" to God's call to serve and see their world changed before their very eyes. To God be the glory!

COR in Partnership with The Refuge & Flagstaff Shelter Services

Hosting the Homeless

The week of January 4th-10th, 2015, 7:00 PM-7:00 AM

Our two weeks of Hosting the Homeless in December went exceptionally well and we are grateful for the privilege of this compassionate outreach. We met some new friends and their heartfelt gratitude for having a warm and safe place to sleep was touching. Our partnership with The Refuge and Flagstaff Shelter Services has proven productive and collegial.

We will be hosting again during the week of January 4-10, 2015. The overflow from the Shelter are vanned each evening at 7:00 p.m. to our COR site and the men enjoy casual activities, watching movies, playing cards, and good conversation. Your treats have been much appreciated. Then, at 6:30 a.m. the men are dropped off in the community or back at the shelter.

Would you like to help with our hosting? Call the church office at 699-2715 or sign up on the Volunteer Ministry Board in the Fellowship Hall. The Refuge Volunteer Coordinator will be in touch and help you understand your role and responsibilities.

We seek to treat each homeless man as if he were Christ Himself.



FaithWorks Mission Opportunities

Saturday, January 24th
8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
El Nathan Ministries,
Flagstaff, AZ.

Can you donate one day of your time to help with building fix-up and repairs at a local Christian campground/retreat center? Mission trips fill up quickly. Don't miss out!

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Hymn-of-the-Month for January 2015

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Lyrics by Henry van Dyke and Music by Ludwig van Beethoven

On the second Sunday of each month we will be focusing on one of the great hymns of the Christian faith. On January 11th Pastor Bob will tell you about *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"* which is one of his favorites. What are your favorite hymns which we might feature in the coming months?

Small Group Leader Training

Tuesday Evening, January 6th

6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Pastor Bob will be offering this essential training for excellence in leading small groups. "Christians grow best in small groups!" Small groups have become a way of life for many of our people at COR. A healthy small group is a major contributing factor in spiritual growth and healthy groups happen when leaders are well-trained. We welcome you to Small Group Leader's Training and celebrate what the Lord will do through you as you bless the Body of Christ with your leadership. Register for this training by calling the church office at 699-2715.



The Truth Project

"Discovering a Christian Worldview in Our Secular Society"

Starting Monday, January 12th at 7:00 p.m.

Home of Frank & Stephanie Stucjus

3692 N. Schevene Blvd. (Upper Greenlaw)

The Truth Project is hosted by Dr. Del Tackett and produced by Focus on the Family Ministry. It's a phenomenal learning experience which enables Christians to adopt a biblical worldview in engaging the challenges of our contemporary world. Our facilitators are Frank and Stephanie Stucjus and they are hosting this dynamic small group at their home. The Stucjus are seasoned small group leaders and will do an outstanding job of guiding their small group on this exciting, challenging worldview tour. You are encouraged to sign up for The Truth Project by calling the Stucjus's at 600-4171 or 380-7198.

Baptism & New Member Class

Tuesday Evening, January 13th

6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

We welcome your participation in this informative and inspiring class to prepare men and women, boys and girls for Christian Baptism (public identification with Jesus Christ) and Church Membership (making our Commitment to Christ, the Body of Christ, and the work of Christ in the world). We will be receiving new members into our church family on Sunday, January 25th. To register for this class or for more information, call the church office (699-2715) or Pastor Bob (699-7592). We welcome you warmly into the Family of God.

Volunteer Coordinators Needed

We are grateful for our current coordinators: Polly Philpott coordinates our Tender Loving Care (TLC) meal ministry and Robin Long coordinates our Bread for Newcomers, Hospitality Refreshments and Nursery/Childcare ministries. However, we need your help! Would you be willing to coordinate our volunteers for one of the following ministries?

- Greeting Coordinator
- Flagstaff Family Food Center Coordinator (for monthly COR volunteers only)
- "The Band of Brothers" Men's Prayer Breakfast (monthly)
- Women's Ministry
- Sunday School Coordinator (weekly teachers for children & youth)
- Softball/Sports Ministry Coordinator

Your help would be gratefully received. The spiritual gifts of administration and encouragement are particularly beneficial for these vital roles. Call Pastor Bob at 699-7592.

Our Search Committee Begins Meeting

Wednesday Evening, January 14th

6:30 p.m. in the Upper Room

We ask for your prayers as our new Search Committee begins meeting in the process of procuring a new Director of Youth & Family Ministry. They will revisit the job description, recommend a compensation package, and prepare for posting the job announcement. Our goal is to have a new person in place in the month of June.

"What on Earth Am I Here For?"

Women's Small Group Study led by Janie Stanford

Wednesday Evenings Starting January 14th

6:30 p.m. at 1725 E. Mossy Oak Ct. (Pine Canyon)

This dynamic study group will be an opportunity for building friendships with God and fellow believers. The group will use Pastor Rick Warren's *What on Earth Am I Here For?* which is filled with practical insights into everyday Christian living. Prayer and mutual encouragement will bolster your living for Christ.

Call group leader/hostess Janie Stanford to enroll or provide answers to your questions about the group (380-0757). Childcare will be provided upon request (call Robin at 699-0703). This is a golden opportunity for new growth in the new year!

A Special "Thank You!"

Thank you to Fritz Barnard for his faithful service as Church Administrator for six years. Fritz chose to step down and focus on selling cars for Babbitt Ford and spending more time with Debbie. Please be patient during this time of transition. Fritz will remain an elder. We are grateful for his service and commitment to COR.



Coming to COR for the First Time! Don't Miss It!

Dave Ramsey's FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Tuesday Evenings Starting January 27th

6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

This dynamic course has blessed several million people. Dave Ramsey is a powerful communicator and he addresses vital subjects like getting out of debt, being a wise consumer, investments, retirement, providing college costs for your kids, accumulating wealth, and generosity in giving. Our course facilitator will be Pastor Dan Barton, minister to students at FCF. He is a seasoned FPU leader.

Sign up online at FinancialPeaceUniversity.com Recently, Pastor Bob and Robin took this course and greatly benefitted from it. They highly recommend it.

COR Questionnaire

(please find enclosed)

It's been said, "Feedback is the breakfast of champions!" We want your feedback regarding our life together at Church of the Resurrection. How are we meeting your needs and what might we do to improve our ministry for you and for Flagstaff? Please use the enclosed questionnaire to share your experience and views either bringing the form back on Sunday and depositing it in the Questionnaire Box or mailing it back to the church office. Thanks for your participation!



Volunteers Needed to Feed the Hungry!

Tuesday, January 27th, 3:30-6:00 p.m.

Flagstaff Family Food Center, 1903 N. 2nd Street

Each month COR musters eight volunteers to form a team to feed the hungry at the Flagstaff Family Food Center. This is front-line ministry and a welcome contribution to the well-being of our homeless and working-poor. The FFFC provides nutritious meals 365 days a year. Approximately 200 gather each evening for a hot, well-balanced dinner. Sign up on our ministry board in the Fellowship Hall.

Calling All Men of the Church and Their Friends!

"The Band of Brothers" Men's Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, January 31st

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

The food is delicious and the fellowship is rich! We invite the men and boys of our congregation and their friends to join us for this special monthly gathering. The comradery is growing as we get to know one another better and also grow in our faith. We tell stories which inspire and demonstrate how men and boys can demonstrate their faith in Christ in our contemporary world. Sign up on the ministry board in the Fellowship Hall or call the church office (699-2715) to make your reservation for the breakfast. We'll look forward to seeing you at "The Band of Brothers."