

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

740 W. University Heights Dr. South
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Sunday Worship

9:00 AM & 10:45 AM

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10:45 AM

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OPERATION ANDREW

Andrew is my favorite disciple. Why? Because he faithfully, unpretentiously brought people to Jesus. Andrew's brother Simon Peter was more in the limelight. Andrew didn't seek attention. He didn't clamor to be the "star". He simply introduced people to Jesus. He's my hero. His lifestyle has become the model for the growing of the Church of Jesus Christ. So simple, so profound, so proven for the ages.

How does the Church of Jesus Christ grow and make new disciples? Person by person. One by one. Andrew discovered Jesus of Nazareth and immediately began introducing him to others. John 1:40-42 tells the story:

Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John the Baptist had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus.

This is how Church of the Resurrection will grow today. We call our biblical method for evangelism *Operation Andrew*. It is a ministry for all Christians. It is based on the teaching of Scripture and it has been proven by the test of time. Down through the centuries, the Church grows as disciples reach out in love to their families and friends. Studies indicate that 80% of the first-time guests who attend a worship service come because a family member or friend invited them. It is so simple, and yet, so powerful.

What are the steps to implementing *Operation Andrew*?

First, we identify the people in our sphere of influence. Our family, friends, acquaintances, neighbors, co-workers, classmates, and those who share an interest (skiing, model railroading, etc.) become the focus of our prayers. And we invite others to pray with us for our Operation Andrew friends. In February, the people of COR will be invited to make their OA lists.

Second, we begin praying for these individuals that they will come to Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit regenerating their lives and revealing their need for Christ. We pray that they will be receptive to our invitation to come to worship and consider Christ. We draw close to them and pray for their real-life needs, like healing, reconciliation of broken or strained relationships, a job, financial strain, etc. We care for them as a person and ask if we can pray for them. Most people will not turn you down.

Third, we invite them to a worship service or a special event at the church. They may initially say "no", but don't give up on them. Be lovingly, gently persistent. God won't give up on them, so why should we. Reaching a person for Christ may take years. Continue to pray for them. And celebrate when the prayers are answered.

Fourth, remember that God is the Evangelist and we are sharing in a special calling of being God's coworkers (2 Corinthians 6:1). Let your love be genuine (Romans 12:9). Pray faithfully (Romans 12:12c). "God is not slow in keeping his promise...not wanting anyone to perish, but every-one to come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9).

Fifth, be ready for divine appointments! When Jesus fed the 5,000 he began by saying, "Let's feed them!" The disciples said, "But how?" Andrew said, "Here's a little boy with some loaves and fishes"...and he brought him to Jesus. Let's be Andrews...bringing people to Jesus!

DivorceCare

**Our New Seminar/Support Group Begins February 22
Monday Evenings, 6:30-8:00 PM, in the Upper Room**

Our new *DivorceCare* Seminar/Support Group is a compassionate outreach to the Flagstaff community. Our leadership team is currently forming. We invite all men and women going through the emotional pain of separation and divorce to gather for help, hope, and healing. The 13-week series will begin on Monday, February 22, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Upper Room. Each participant will need a workbook which may be purchased on the first night for \$15 each. This is the only cost for the group. Childcare will be provided upon request. To register for *DivorceCare* call the church office at 928.699.2715 or to discuss serving on the leadership team, please call Pastor Bob at 928.699.7592. Let's get the word out to the Flagstaff community. Brochures are available at the church.

**The Band of Brothers Men's Prayer Breakfast
Saturday, February 27, 9:00-10:30 AM
in the Fellowship Hall**

All men are encouraged to gather for this upcoming Men's Prayer Breakfast with special guest, Glen Allen, Executive Director of FaithWorks Christians in Mission. The breakfast will be hearty and delicious. Your donations will help cover the costs. Our table talk is always encouraging as we get to know one another better. We'll close with prayer as we uphold FaithWorks and one another through our intercessory prayer. See sign up sheet in the Fellowship Hall.



FaithWorks

February 18-21, 2016

A medical/dental mission team will be sent to Agua Prieta, Mexico, just south of the US border in the state of Sonora. This will be our 40th medical mission into Mexico where professionals have always been welcomed by those in need. The cost is \$295 per person.

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Sermons in Our "Rediscovering the Church" Series for February

We encourage the members and friends of Church of the Resurrection to invite their friends to come and hear our current sermon series, "Rediscovering the Church." The secular mind – Flagstaff Fred and Frieda – might say, "Church? Why Bother?" Actually, those are very good questions. We want to provide good answers! What does Paul's Letter to the Ephesians say about the nature and purpose of the Church? Through the Church, God meets our deepest needs. In a world without hope – the Church of Jesus Christ is the hope of the world, because this is where God's people gather and seek to live out the abundant life Jesus imparts to us (John 10:10). Our sermons for February are the following...

- Sunday, February 7 "Know the Fullness of God's Love"
Ephesians 3:14-21
- Sunday, February 14 "Many Gifts; One Purpose"
Ephesians 4:1-16
- Sunday, February 21 "Off with the Old, On with the New"
Ephesians 4:17-5:2
- Sunday, February 28 "Walking in the Light"
Ephesians 5:3-20

Why not start to invite the people on your Operation Andrew list?

Our New Lenten Class C. S. Lewis' *The Chronicles of Narnia* Wednesday Evenings at 6:30 PM Beginning February 10, in the Sanctuary

This exciting special Lenten study will be lead by our own Indian Bible College missionary Hal Givens. Hal has studied *The Chronicles of Narnia* over the years and taught college classes on the theology woven into these wonderfully creative children's novels. C. S. Lewis' spiritual journey took him from atheism to Christianity and he became one of the greatest spokesman for the Christian faith in the 20th century. The *Chronicles* are the high-water mark of this Oxford scholar's esteemed career.

The first gathering of this Lenten Study will be in our Sanctuary and future gatherings may move into a home. Come and hear about C. S. Lewis and his *Chronicles of Narnia*. This introductory session will be followed by seven evenings each taking one the novels, starting with *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* on February 17. Sign up for the study on the Ministry Board or call the church office to register, 928.699.2715.

New Participants Currently Joining MASTER PLANNING TASK FORCE "To Dream God's Dream for Our Ministry and Growth" Next Meeting: Thursday, February 11 7:00 PM in the Upper Room

Our Master Planning Task Force has been meeting with Architect Tim Whiteside of Johnson & Walzer Associates for almost a year. This dialogue includes discussion on future ministries and the development of our facilities to accommodate and facilitate the work of God's people. Only God knows what will happen through the prayers and visionary action of God's people at COR. To God be the glory! For more information, contact Pastor Bob at 928.699.7592.



You and Your Friends Are Invited GriefShare...your journey from mourning to joy! Wednesday, 6:30 PM in The Upper Room

Pastor Bob has facilitated grief recovery groups for over 25 years. Our *GriefShare* Seminar/Support Group is a compassionate outreach to the Flagstaff community. Many people experience the death of a loved one and it takes years to recover from this emotionally painful loss in our lives. The "seminar segment" of the evening helps us to understand healthy grieving. The "support segment" provides a loving, supportive group which shares and understands what people are going through. Come. Listen. Learn. "Our God is the God of all comfort...comfort others with the comfort you have received from Him..." (2 Corinthians 1:3-4). Invite others. All are welcome. The *GriefShare* participant workbook is \$15 and this is the only cost for the seminar. For more information, call Pastor Bob at 928.699.7592.

"Jesus the One and Only" Thursday, 5:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Beth Moore is a gifted Bible teacher and her DVD resources bless thousands worldwide. This current study on Luke is blessing our women, week-by-week, bringing new life to participants who are new to the faith and those mature in their faith. Pass the word. All are welcome. Childcare is provided upon request. For more information contact Robin Long at 928.699.0703 or Roxi Ashurst at 928.864.6475.

Pioneer Club Tuesdays (K-3rd) Join us Each Tuesday 3:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Hey kids! Come join us and invite your friends and classmates! We do games, activities, and interactive Bible lessons at Pioneer Club every week. We are growing in God's grace together as we learn about the great love of Jesus. Kids are earning activity and Bible awards, playing games together and working on Bible memory verses. We even play music and sing in our meetings! Pastor Bob, Wes, and Debbie would love to see you there. Invite your classmates and neighbors to join the fun on Tuesdays at 3:30!

Adult Small Group Study "The Peacemaking Church" Beginning February 16 at 6:30 PM Join us in the Fellowship Hall

What an opportunity to grow in your knowledge of the grace of our Lord Jesus! This study was such a blessing last year that we wanted to host it again! Pastor Wes and his wife Julia will be facilitating this practical study of how to be a peacemaker in a world of conflict. We all know conflict, but the question becomes, "How can we respond to conflict in our lives in a way that pleases God?" Join us as we investigate the biblical principles of grace and love which can shape our response to all kinds of conflict and give us an opportunity to grow in our faith and walk with the Lord.



New Member & Baptism Class Thursday, February 18, 6:30 PM in the Upper Room

Each month Pastor Bob meets with those desiring to unite with the Church. Have you received Christian Baptism? Baptism is the sacrament of initiation into the Church of Jesus Christ. We are baptized into Christ. What is the meaning of Church membership? We celebrate our commitment to Christ, the Church, and the Work of Christ in the world. Come and learn about these important steps of living out our faith in the contemporary world. Call the church office at 928.699.2715 or Pastor Bob at 928.699.7592 with your questions or to register for this class. We'll be receiving new members and having baptisms on Sundays February 21 and 28.

Youth & Family Group Meetings Every Wednesday Evening from 5:30-8:00 PM in The Fellowship Hall

This is the group for those in middle and high school and we would love to see you there! Friends and family are also invited for an evening of awesome food, fun games, Bible study and sharing life together. We are beginning a new lesson series on the fear of God and what that means for our lives day to day. We are always excited to have new people join our group. You and your family are welcome!

All chefs who would like to bless us with a meal, please sign up on the ministry board!

Also, our group is planning a short-term mission trip this summer to Tijuana, Mexico this summer (June 11-18) through Baja Christian Ministries. We will be joining three other PCA churches and their youth on a mission to build houses for those in desperate need and we will have opportunities to share our faith with the Mexican community (with a translator's help). The cost will be around \$400 and a passport is required for international travel. Families are encouraged to serve together! If you have questions, speak with Pastor Wes. Mark your calendars!

Spiritual Gifts Discovery Workshop Thursday, February 25, 6:30 PM in the Upper Room

Do you know your spiritual gifts? Every Christian has at least one spiritual gift and most have a gift mix of several dominant gifts. These 23 gifts are described in Ephesians 4, Romans 12, and 1 Corinthians 12. Come and discover your gifts in preparation to serving the Lord "for the common good" using the abilities God has given you to experience fulfillment in your Christian life and the joy of blessing others. To register for this special discovery class contact the church office at 928.699.2715.

"Every Member a Minister" Volunteers Needed: call 928.699.2715

- Coordinator for Refreshments** (at our Sunday morning fellowship gatherings)
- Kitchen Coordinator** (organizing, stocking, supervising our church kitchen)
- Sunday School Teacher Aides** (helping teach our children and youth)
- Communion Steward** (prepare the Table of Grace for Holy Communion)
- Cooks and Helpers** (for our Youth & Family gatherings on Wednesday evenings)
- Office Helpers** (inserting, folding bulletins, newsletters)