

MIDDLE ADULTS cont.

Seekers—Room S-21, South Wing, Lower Level. We are a fun, supportive class with a wealth of strong Christian singles and couples that have a variety of talents. Through which we serve Christ in outreach, missions, study and prayer. We seek God's will for ourselves through open-minded discussions. Our Sunday lessons are led by a mixture of class members and outside guests. Due to the large size of our class we have a Seekers picture directory to help you put names with faces. We have an on-going small group ministry called date for 8 that allows everyone to get connected to our class whether you are new or a veteran.

MID - OLDER ADULTS

Aldersgate—Room N-120, North Wing, Upper Level. We are a class that loves to serve. As leaders and workers for Christ, we are active in outreach projects. Comprised of couples and singles ages 50+, we enjoy a variety of teaching styles and resources under the leadership of four teachers. We express our faith thru devotionals and music as well. Fellowship is a high priority, with fifth Sunday brunches, seasonal gatherings. We are a growing class and have room for you.

C.O.M.E.T.—Room S-14, South Wing, Lower Level. Our class offers a place to enjoy learning from the Uniform Series - Adult Bible Studies. We enjoy the teaching expertise of class members and invited guests. We are an active social fellowship group, who also participates in outreach programs that enable us to give back to our church and community. Our class name says it all – you can “count on me every time.”

Emmanuel—Room S-13/15, South Wing, Lower Level. Our class has presently 75 active members with approximately 40% from Lanier Village Estates. For the upcoming year, our studies will follow the United Methodist Church Curriculum for Adult Sunday school classes and the lessons will be given by five of our members. Since we are a large class, we divide our members into small “fellowship groups” of around ten people that meet together for a period of three months. We are a friendly and dynamic class and we always welcome new members in our Christian fellowship.

Friendship and Discussion—Room N-121, North Wing, Upper Level - Our class offers couples and singles 50+ a discussion format for interesting and relevant Biblical topics and current issues led by class members. Our class enjoys lively discussions. Each year we choose to reach out to a project in our community. During 2008, we are giving support to My Sister's Place, an intermediate home for women and children. There is a place for you at our discussion table.

Open Door—Room N-119, North Wing, Upper Level - We are a class that offers for couples and singles age 65+ the warmth and support of loving Christian friends. We study the International Lesson Series with the leadership of class members. We enjoy socializing and have several gatherings throughout the year. We invite you to come in, the Door is Open!

MEN

Bob Russell - Room S-02, South Wing, Lower Level. We are a place for men to meet and discuss their faith in a warm, comfortable atmosphere. Refreshments provided. *Note: Class begins at 8:30 a.m. instead of meeting at the typical Sunday School hour.*

SINGLE ADULTS

The Beacon—Room S-26, South Wing, Lower Level. Singles class for those 40+. We believe that perfect truth is found in Jesus Christ! The Beacon focuses on biblically based, discussion-oriented curriculum, and warm fellowship. We have a monthly newsletter with additional opportunities for fellowship with other singles. If you are single and looking for a place to connect—our Beacon is shining for you.

CLASS LISTING BY LOCATION

S-01	Builders
S-02	Bob Russell (<i> Begins at 8:30 a.m.</i>)
S-02	Couples in Faith
S-03/04	PHASES
S-05	Lost and Found
S-06	New Bridge
S-12	Scrap Pile
S-13/15	Emmanuel
S-14	COMET
S-21	Seekers
S-22	Crossties
S-25	GIFT: Growing in Faith Together
S-26	The Beacon
S-142	ICHTHYS
N-119	Open Door
N-120	Aldersgate
N-121	Friendship & Discussion

Adult Sunday School Classes

Get Connected



This Fall

There is a place for you here.

Visit several classes.

Find the one that feels like home.

On Sunday mornings,
volunteers are available
in the Narthex to help you select and
locate Sunday School classes.



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The ministry of Adult Christian Education through the Sunday School program at Gainesville First United Methodist Church offers many opportunities for personal and family spiritual growth. Biblical and theological study are the focal points for our program. Classes provide learning experiences with scripture and help individuals and families make connections with daily Christian living.

In addition, those who participate in adult Sunday School classes enjoy the caring relationships that develop when members share life together. Sunday School classes can become an extended family and a supportive network.

You are invited to visit classes, find the one where you fit best and become a full, participating member. If you would like assistance selecting or locating a class, please contact me, and I will be delighted to help you find your place.

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Sunday Schedule

8:30 a.m. Worship at Lakeside

9:45 a.m. Sunday School Hour

**Classes are held in various locations around the church facility.*

10:55 a.m. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

10:55 a.m. Contemporary Worship in the Reception Hall

YOUNG - MID ADULTS

Couples in Faith—Room S-02, South Wing, Lower Level. We are a class which seeks to understand and explore our lives as wives, husbands and parents. Thematic topics for study focus on the daily Christian walk and God’s desire for our wholeness. We value fellowship time together with our children as families and as adults, with babysitters! If you are a couple looking for a place to connect with other couples desiring to make Christ at home in their families, there is a place for you in our class.

ICHTHYS—Room S-142, South Wing, Upper Level. We are a class of young adults, single or married, who are college students, singles, and young married couples with children through the age of 35, searching for guidance in following the example of Jesus in our daily living. We enjoy quarterly socials and other fun activities to further our fellowship. We are a dynamic class and warmly invite you to join us.

P.H.A.S.E.S.—Room S-04, South Wing, Lower Level. *People Hunting and Seeking Eternal Salvation.* We are a young to middle adult class you can find serving as teachers, leaders, and volunteers in many ministries throughout the church. We take an active interest in being part of our children’s faith development and fun. Lessons this fall, led by Meredith and Brad Pierce, will be from the Book of Acts. Join us as we discuss how God has used the church as the means of carrying Christ’s message to the world.

MIDDLE ADULTS

Builders—Room S-01, South Wing, Lower Level We are a class of friendly, caring and compassionate people who enjoy Christian service in and outside the church. Our children range in ages from 8 yrs old all the way to grown and gone! A few even have grandchildren!! We seek to build our faith as we build our connection with God and others. Come build with us.

Crossties—Room S-22, South Wing, Lower Lever. We are a class with varied backgrounds and life experiences. We enjoy a close relationship that provides mutual support when needed. We participate in mission-type activities that are brought to our attention by fellow members. We enjoy lively debate in a spirit of Christian love and acceptance. This fall we will study the video series entitled “Seeing Gray in a World of Black and White” from Rev. Adam Hamilton. We would love to have you join us.

G.I.F.T.—Room S-25, South Wing, Lower Level. *Growing in Faith Together* We are the newest Sunday school class at Gainesville First United Methodist Church. We are bound by growing faith, a commitment to hands-on local mission and wonderful fellowship. We experience the warmth and compassion of mid-life single and married adults gathering to connect with God and our community. Teaching responsibilities are shared among class members. Fellowship and social activities are planned throughout the year. All who wish to be part of building a strong and active faith are invited to join us in our inaugural year.

Lost and Found—Room S-05 South Wing, Lower Level. We are a class of Christians who are seeking to grow in faith and biblical knowledge, ministering to each other, and all other people, by loving, sharing, caring, and helping. We enjoy organized fellowships outside the classrooms. Russ Francis leads our class and challenges us to think beyond our current understandings that we might make faithful decisions for our lives as Christians and as active members of our community. This call we will be studying: *Great Themes of the Bible: The God of Continuing Creation*, by Douglas Wingeier.

New Bridge—S-06, South Wing, Lower Level. Led by Jeff Black, our class is growing spiritually through Bible studies, book studies and topical emphases that challenge our daily decisions in order that we respond more faithfully to each other, our families, and our community. We enjoy getting together outside of class for fellowship. Though our classroom setting allows you to window shop, stop in and sit with us for a while.

Scrap Pile—S-12, South Wing, Lower Level. We are an intimate class of couples and singles who desire to strengthen our daily walk with God. Our class studies focus on using the Bible to encourage and enable us to meaningful, practical Christian living. We enjoy discussion and the uniqueness of our classroom setting.