



What is God's will for my life? How do I know when he's talking? What does he want me to do? Many people have struggled with figuring out when it's God speaking, or something else. A 4-week series on how God has spoken, how God speaks, and how to tell when He's talking to you.

This Week: "How to Interpret the Signs"
Next Week: "How to Deal with the Voices in my Head"

THE WEEKLY

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SUNDAYS AT FOF

We know that coming to a new church can make you feel a bit lost, and there's a lot going on at FOF. Below is our schedule for December 9:

The Rock Children's Ministry (Toddler–5th Grade)

- Stepping Stones for toddler–kindergarten @ 9 & 10:30am
- The Rock for 1st–5th graders @ 9am
- Quiet Room in the Front Office for parents with infants @ 10:30am

Boulder Student Ministry (6th–12th Grade)

- BoulderAM this morning @ 9am
- BoulderXT today @ 4:30pm
- BoulderPM tonight @ 7pm

Sunday Morning Studies

- Women's Study on "The Sermon on the Mount" today @ 9am in the Study
- Theology for Adults meets today @ 10:30am in the Study

Visit Our Coffee Bar

Grab a gourmet beverage and a homemade treat. Our baristas can make anything you'd like! Our coffee bar is self-supporting. We suggest \$1/adult, but give what you want. If you're new with us, it's on the house!

Hearing Assistance Available

Wireless headphones are available at the sound booth located in the back of the Sanctuary.

CURRENT & UPCOMING

BoulderPM | The Waiting

- Sunday, December 9 from 5–8:15pm
- On December 16, Boulder is hosting an experiential worship event with the main theme of "Waiting." Join us as we prepare to share with the whole congregation!

Boulder Student Ministry | Present Wrapping Fundraiser

- Sundays in December at FOF
- Help our student ministry raise funds for our trip this summer! Drop your Christmas presents off on Sunday morning at 10am to have them wrapped and pick them up after the service.

The Rock & Boulder | Christmas Outing & Party

- Saturday, December 15 from 4–7pm in the Coffee House
- We'll meet at FOF and then head out to carol at several of our members' homes. After we've spread some Christmas cheer, we'll head back to FOF to enjoy hot chocolate and celebrate!

QUESTIONS ABOUT FELLOWSHIP OF FAITH?

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CHRISTMAS SEASON AT FOF

Sundays in December | Sunday Morning Worship

- *December 9: A Chabros Christmas + Festive Wear Sunday*

Two brothers, Michal and John Chabros, fled their homes in Syria because of the war. Now in Milwaukee, their passion is to share the love and hope of Jesus Christ through their music. Wear your most festive Christmas clothing or ugly Christmas sweater to church. Family portraits available.

- *December 16: Bluegrass Christmas with Rowdy Souls + White Elephant*
Rowdy Souls comes to lead us in Bluegrass style carols featuring banjos, fiddles, accordion, and more. Bring a "white elephant" gift and "bless" someone else during our all-church gift exchange.

- *December 23: Simply Christmas + Christmas Cookie & Candy Sunday*
Come rest from the hecticness of the Advent season and celebrate the birth of Christ with a simple, stripped down worship service. Bring a plate of your favorite Christmas treats to share.

Wednesday Nights in December | Ancient Advent

- Wednesday, December 12 @ 7pm

Candlelight services of lessons, carols, and contemplation. Prepare him room this holiday season. Childcare provided. Dinner served from 5:30 – 6:45pm.

Sunday Night Worship Event | Experiential Worship

- Sunday, December 16 from 7-9pm in the Coffee House

Curated and hosted by students for the entire congregation, come and experience an entirely different kind of worship! Explore different stations that immerse you in Christ's birth narrative and give new perspectives on the story you have often heard.

Wednesday Nights in December | Emmanuel

- Wednesday, December 19 @ 7pm: "Emmanuel"

Since the 8th century, seven prayers using seven messianic titles have been prayed on the seven days before Christmas. These later became the carol "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel." Set your heart right before Christmas for a moment of worship rooted in these ancient names and ancient song. Childcare provided. Dinner served from 5:30 – 6:45pm.

Christmas Eve

- Monday, December 24 @ 2, 9 & 11pm

The 2pm service features our full band with upbeat carols in a service rooted in the Christmas story. Nighttime services are by candlelight in a contemplative setting. Stepping Stones meets for 1-5 year olds at 2pm. No childcare for 9 & 11pm services.

FAITH CHALLENGES

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Take a step in your walk with Christ and engage in any or all of these personal spiritual practices. Check the connection card Faith Challenge box to take a challenge!

- **Read:** Reading the Bible is a great way to learn about God and connect with him personally. Our guided plan has you reading about a chapter each week day. Pick up our Bible reading plan bookmark, or grab it online. Read weeks 13-16 by Christmas Eve.

- **Memorize:** Nothing beats ingesting God's Word and making it your own. Memorize the Hebrews 4:12-16 by Christmas Eve.

- **Listen:** Hearing God often involves taking time to intentionally listen. Engage in a series of guided prayer & listening exercises designed to help you discern God's voice more clearly.

GIVING

2019 Offering Envelopes: Do you like to give in person? Pick up your 2019 offering envelopes at the Welcome Center. Or request a box while you're there and they'll be available for pick-up the following Sunday.

Ways to Give: You can give in one of four ways: in person via offering envelopes, by mail, online, or automatic bank transfer. Visit the FOF Giving webpage or contact Sue Zika for more details.

Dec-to-date: Actual: \$11,429 | Budget: \$11,262 | Difference: \$167

Year-to-date: Actual: \$512,419 | Budget: \$540,576 | Difference: -\$28,157

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