



Of all the things Jesus tells us to pray for, God's kingdom tops the list. The Kingdom of God is the theme of the Bible, heart of the gospel, message of Jesus, and hope for the world. To miss this is to misread the Bible, misunderstand Jesus, and misalign life.

Today begins a nine-month journey of rediscovering a forgotten message that's the heart of the gospel.

## THE WEEKLY

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## WELCOME

The Kingdom of God as the unifying theme of the Bible, heart of the gospel, message of Jesus, and hope for the world. It is the key metaphor the Bible uses to understand God, what he's up to in this world, and how to relate to him. It's meant to be the central way of understanding our lives, but for most it's missed or misunderstood.

Today begins a journey into the story about a king and his kingdom. It's the heart of the gospel and what Christianity is about.

Adult, student, and children's ministry begin today too. Whether brand new or an FOF veteran, we encourage you to take a new step forward see how God impacts you.

Pastor Dave



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 September 8:

## 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

### 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.

## Parents, we've got a seat for you!

We know it can be tough bringing your toddlers and infants into worship. We love that you do, but want to make it as easy as we can for you. The back row in the sanctuary is now reserved for you. We still invite you to sit wherever you want, but if you need some seats where you can slip out easily, the back row is for you. Busy bags are available for kids during the service, just stop by the welcome center! Just ask an usher if you need assistance.

## **CURRENT & UPCOMING**

### Fall Ministries Begin!

Adult ministries, daily Faith Challenges, Boulder Student Ministry (6th-12th), and The Rock Children's Ministry (K-5th) kick off today. Take a step with us and grow in your faith. Details below.

- Discipleship Groups: Spiritual growth happens best when we personalize it with others in smaller settings. Grow spiritually and connect with 7-10 others in a group. Pick up a fall group list and get involved today. Register online or contact a group leader directly.
- Daily Faith Challenges: Faith Challenges are personal practices to help you grow spiritually. Each year FOF engages in a number of these, including Bible reading, scripture memorization, devotional practices, and action steps. See "Faith Challenge" in The Weekly or the Connection Card.
- Boulder Student Ministry: Boulder is our student ministry for 6th-12th grade. It has the singular goal of helping junior high and high school students become radical disciples of Jesus.
- The Rock Children's Ministry: Kids matter to God. At the Rock, we help kids meet Jesus as kids. Each week we create an environement that uncovers how great God is, and how your child can follow Him.

# **BoulderPM | Kick-off - Binging The Bible**

• Sunday, September 8 & 15 @ 7pm (Doors open @ 4:30pm)
The Bible is more accessible today than ever! Discover new ways to connect to the Word, yes, even if you don't like reading books!

# Serve | Care Team

• Tuesday, September 10 @ 3:30pm

Write cards. Make visits. Assist with rides. Prepare meals. Send care packages. Text or email words of encouragement... The Bible says, "Encourage one another and build each other up." Come to Care Team and help encourage others in a time of need. Contact Pastor Dave for details.

## Women's Event | Real

• Tuesday, September 10 from 6:30-8:30pm

FOF women's ministry seeks to build real relationships that encourage each other and hold each other accountable in a way filled with laughter. Our opening event brings us together to connect. Childcare provided.

# Faith Steps | Faith Step Sunday

• Sunday, September 29 @ our 10:30am service

If you or your child want to be baptized, become members, or confirm your faith publicly for the first time, take part in Faith Step Sunday. Contact Pastor Dave by September 23.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT FOF

#### Wednesday Nights at FOF

• Wednesdays, September 11 - November 20 from 6:15-8pm An assortment of groups hitting on a number of topics meet Wednesday Nights after sharing dinner together. It starts with dinner from 6:15-6:50pm, with programming and childcare running 7-8pm.

Sign up online, at the Welcome Center, or just show Wednesday night. Classes include Alpha, Alpha for Teens, Enneagram, Men's Ministry, Women's Ministry, and House of Blessing (for Spanish speakers).

## **HELP WANTED**

#### **Facilities Manager**

Oversee FOF's day-to-day property management and operation. Duties managing maintenance and improvement projects, directing volunteer teams, grounds maintenance, and management of facility usage and equipment. Approx 10hrs/week (flex hours). Contact Pastor David Gaddini.

# **GIVING**

We give to bless others and to become generous people. We give to honor God and to anchor our trust in him.

**Ways to Give**: You can give in one of five ways: in person via offering envelopes, text "Give" to 815.201.1499, by mail, online, or automatic bank transfer. Visit the FOF Giving webpage or contact Sue Zika for more details.

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