



COMMUNITY MATTERS

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What Study Should We Do Next?

As many of you already know, CVC offers several courses designed to help you to grow and to equip you as a believer. Typically, a set of courses will be offered three times per year during 6-week trimesters on Wednesday evenings. The Community Group Team is heavily involved in promoting these courses and helping make them successful. We believe the content of these courses is important for every believer to assimilate into their life, so I strongly encourage you to attend. The challenge for many of you is that attending these courses would take you away from your family & personal time on another evening during the week. I'd like to propose/remind you of at least two solutions to this dilemma:

1. Attend a course as a group for 6 weeks (this is especially easy for groups that meet on Wednesday, but many groups can pull this off on a short-term basis).
2. Request to have a course brought to you (we'll work with the teacher to arrange a suitable schedule).

For example, one popular course (Walk Thru the Old Testament) taught by Gary will not be offered this Fall as a Wednesday evening course at CVC. *However*, as a Community Group leader, you can request this course be brought to you any time. It's only a four week commitment, so it would easily fit into most schedules. What study can compare to in-person, interactive teaching?

As a reminder, here are just a few of the courses we've already offered at CVC. The class schedule is available on our website online and will soon be available in our "Get Equipped" brochure.

- Financial Peace University (stewardship/finances)
- Spending Time with God (quiet time/bible reading/prayer)
- Walk Thru the Old Testament (OT survey)
- The Triune God (doctrines of God, Jesus Christ, Holy Spirit)
- God's Word & Created Beings (doctrines of the Bible, Humanity, Sin, Angels & Demons)
- God's Plan for This World (doctrines of salvation, spiritual growth, the church, end times)
- The Truth Project (video-taught Biblical worldview curriculum)

If you'd like to attend a course as a group or have a course brought to you, please contact Dan Fries or Gary Nave.

Can You Help?

ATTENTION GROUP LEADERS & MEMBERS!! Would you be willing to donate some bakery or some type of snack for our upcoming Group Connect? Are you available that day to help us before, during or after the event? If so, please contact **Mariellen Morgano at 216.509.6217**, mmorgano2@live.com

Looking Ahead

Group Connect — Sunday, Sept 12th from 5-7pm at CVC in the lower level

Group Visits — Pastor Rick will be visiting every Community Groups in the next few months.

Don't worry... *You're not in trouble.*

If you missed the meeting explaining what this is all about, go to CVC's website and see the video, or contact Dan Fries to fill you in.

Co-Teaching Pastor Process

As you all know, CVC has been actively seeking a co-teaching pastor. The search team has recommended a candidate, Chad Allen, who spoke at all the CVC services this past weekend.

If you were out-of-town this past weekend, you can go to CVC's website to see the AM sermon or go to 707's website to hear the 707 sermon.

If you have any questions or feedback, please visit our webpage created for this purpose. The video from Monday's Q & A is on this page if you missed it.

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Answered Prayer!

A WARM CVC WELCOME TO **SUE RADKE**, OUR NEW WOMEN'S DIRECTOR!

It has been almost a year since Kim Rutila moved from Cleveland to Detroit, leaving us in need of a Women's Director. For several months Teresa McGroarty filled in on an interim basis as the volunteer Interim Women's Director. Terese did a great job of keeping us moving forward. She also had help from a great group of volunteer women who made up the Women's Leadership team. The team included: Cheryl Barr, Barb Davis, Terese McGroarty, Ann Hollo, Amber Holmes, Beth Marosi, Teresa Raffin, and Chris Sutton. Together they kept things moving forward. Most of these women also served on the Search Team to find the person to replace Kim.



WE FOUND HER! Her name is Sue Radke. Here are a few interesting facts about Sue to help you get to get to know a little about her:

- Sue was married to her husband Ken for 38 years
- Ken passed away seven years ago. He was a pastor.
- In addition to being a pastor's wife Sue was on staff with Intervarsity at Baldwin Wallace for many years ministering to and discipling students.
- She was the Women's Director two of the churches her husband planted.
- Sue is also a nurse part time at Southwest General Hospital in Middleburg Heights.
- Her passions include intercessory prayer and discipling women.

Sue comes to us ready to pour her life into the women of this church and to help them grow deeper in their walk with the Lord through mentoring, discipleship, and relationship building. The goal is that as these women mature that they will in turn disciple and help other women to grow spiritually.

Help Needed Next Friday, August 6th!

Sports Camp begins on Monday August 2 and goes through **Friday, August 6th**. Friday night is the "**Sports Camp Celebration**" from **6-9pm**. Last year 1400 people attended!!! Community groups are being given the fun opportunity to serve in the area of food preparation and serving the food. You and members of your group can sign up for one or more hourly slots.

What do they need? Here is a list of some of the areas:

- Set up 9am-noon
- Clean up 9pm-???
- Corn stand
- Corn shuckers and cookers
- Grillers
- Hamburger stand
- Hot dog stand
- Brat stand

Set up and maintaining of condiments and beverages

Please talk to your group members and respond back with your first, second, and third choices **no later than Tuesday August 3rd**. Respond by letting us know:

- The areas where you would like to serve (or say, "Wherever you need us")
- The names of the people willing to serve
- The hours you will be available

Thank you in advance for your willingness to meet this need. This is a great opportunity to love one another and to love the world.

