



BETHEL GROVE
BIBLE CHURCH

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SUNDAY MORNING

9:30AM & 11:15AM CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING OFFERED FOR BABIES TO 5TH GRADE ON LOWER LEVEL OF THE CHURCH. CONTACT [KINGDOMKIDS@BG.ORG](mailto:kingdomkids@bg.org) WITH ANY QUESTIONS.



"Head of Christ" after Stradanus (n.d.) from the Met.

THE LIGHT ~ OUR SECOND INSTALLMENT IN BG'S SERMON SERIES ON THE GOSPEL OF JOHN AT 9:30AM. JESUS IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD. JOHN'S GOSPEL SHOWS JESUS IN CONFLICT WITH THE WORLD'S DARKNESS, CONFRONTING ITS LIES, CONSPIRACIES, AND DELUSIONS. WE HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US TO STUDY THIS POWERFUL THEME IN JOHN. *VISIT THE LOBBY FOR A JOURNAL COPY OF JOHN'S GOSPEL.*

DEEP AND WIDE ~ GOD'S SEARCH FOR HIS PEOPLE
BEGINS APRIL 12 ~ RUNS THROUGH MAY

11:15AM CHURCH AUDITORIUM

JOIN US AS WE CONSIDER HOW GOD'S GREATEST COMMANDMENT INFORMS HOW WE PURSUE HIS GREAT COMMISSION. TO "LOVE GOD AND LOVE OUR NEIGHBOR" WE MUST FIRST KNOW THEM BOTH. WHAT IS GOD'S HEART, AND WHAT DO OUR NEIGHBORS ALREADY BELIEVE? HOW DOES UNDERSTANDING WHAT THEY EACH VALUE MOTIVATE US?

LOOK INSIDE FOR WAYS TO CONNECT WITH GROUPS THROUGHOUT THE WEEK.

Intercessory **PRAYER** “Before God on Behalf of Others”

“We tend to use prayer as a last resort, but God wants it to be our first line of defense. We pray when there’s nothing else we can do, but God wants us to pray before we do anything at all.”
- **Oswald Chambers**

GROUPS FOCUSED ON PRAYER

MEN’S PRAYER GROUP from 8:00am to 10:00am Tuesday mornings in the Family Center (white building). This group also enjoys discussion time and planning covert acts of kindness. Contact John, 607-387-9845, jgp4@cornell.edu.

THURSDAY CORPORATE PRAYER OVER ZOOM - Fellowship starts at 6:30pm followed by prayer 7:00 to 8:00pm. An e-mail goes out from the church each Thursday with the Zoom link. If you are not receiving messages, contact bg@bg.org. If you have questions about this prayer group or to submit a prayer request, contact susanjcave4@gmail.com.

PRAYER FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH: Many in the body of Christ are persecuted for their faith. We should not ignore them but faithfully pray and support them. Consider joining others to pray for the persecuted church twice a month. Contact Sally at gssmalc@gmail.com.

MOM’S IN PRAYER GROUPS: Weekly groups meet to pray for School Districts and College Student/Campuses. Contact momsinprayer.beckyay@gmail.com.

BG E-MAIL PRAYER CHAIN: You must be a regular attender at BGBC. If you have a prayer need and desire to place it on the BG email prayer chain, contact Brenda at prayerchain@bg.org or 607-227-6376. She can also help you join the email prayer chain mailing list.

Small Groups

AND OTHER NOT-SO-SMALL GROUP OPTIONS

ALL CHURCH BIBLE READING CHALLENGE

See full description on back page.

CAROLINE AREA - 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:00pm

Contact: Beth Larson bethellenlarson@gmail.com

LADY TREKKERS - Tuesdays at 10:15am ~ Women explore the Ithaca & surrounding areas on foot. Contact: Amy Bach, bach.amy@gmail.com, 607-539-6654 (home), text 607-279-0583

WOMEN'S GROUP - Each Tuesday @ 7:00pm - Lansing Area Home Assorted Bible Studies. Contact: Amy Bach bach.amy@gmail.com, 607-539-6654 (home), text 607-279-0583

CONNECTIONS GROUP (begins 4/15) Each Wednesday @ 5:30pm - Meal Provided. Married, Singles, Children welcome! Contact: Kathy & Tom McDonald ksmcdon@mcdfamily.net, 206-909-1179.

MEN'S GROUP - Each Thursday, 7:45am over Zoom

Currently discussing Pastor Raley's sermons on the Gospel of John

Contact: Jim Smith, jimsmith149@gmail.com, 607-229-2338

ITHACA WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - September through June

See full description on back page.

MAN-UP MEN'S SERIES - 3rd Friday each month, 6 to 9:00pm

Visit: www.authenticmanhood.com ~ Contact: Frank, mail@franks-auto.net, 607-857-5433 or Rick, rick_geo@msn.com, 607-227-4703

LANSING - 2nd Friday each month @ 6:30pm

Fellowship/Devotion/Prayer

Contact: Susan Caveney, susanjcave4@gmail.com

MEN'S BREAKFAST - Meet's Saturday A.M. on the even months of the year. Contact Shaun Gendrue gendruesm1@gmail.com, text 716-245-0971.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS/YOUNG FAMILIES

Each Saturday at 10:00am ~ Studying a book in the Bible

Contact: Caleb & Christina Yu, calebchristina2017@gmail.com

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ALL-CHURCH BIBLE READING CHALLENGE

Join a chronological reading plan of the entire Bible that takes us through TO MAY 25, 2026.

Reading Plans available in the church lobby.

Questions?

Contact : HEIDI@BG.ORG.



ITHACA WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY (IWBS)

A welcoming womens' study group ~ September through June

ABIDE - A STUDY ON 1, 2, 3 JOHN ~ BY JEN WILKINS

A 10-Session Bible Study for Women

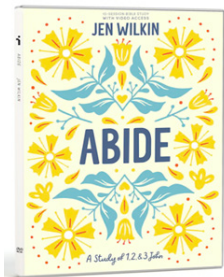
Thursday mornings 9:30 to 11:30am via Zoom

Contact Michelle at memrrigirl@gmail.com to receive the ZOOM link.

*In person class will resume April 9, 2026. Contact Michelle for details.

Order your study guide online from
Christianbook.com, *Amazon or Lifeway.com

**Be sure to check the shipping date before submitting your order.*



"Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you."

- 1 John 2:24

How can we hold onto assurance of our faith? How can we discern the truth from a lie? How can we know God loves us? In these three short letters, the apostle John reminds an early church facing division, deception, and doubt to hold fast to what they know and to live like they believe it. And he reminds us, as well. Jesus abides in you. Abide in Him.

In this 10-session Bible study, Jen Wilkin helps us see how two thousand years later, John's words challenge us to recall our great salvation and to abide in the truth. We will be delving into the apostle's powerful message of assurance, truth, and abiding in Christ.

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