

Loving God  
Loving One Another  
Living the Mission

 **CrossPointe  
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## Covered Dish Next Sunday

Everyone is welcome at our  
Covered Dish Fellowship!

We generally meet the second Sunday of each in  
the Fellowship Hall following Life Groups.

We would be delighted if you'd like to bring a  
favorite dish. Please bring it to the kitchen before  
the worship. service begins.

Our speakers this month are from *Loving Hands*.



## 2023 Ladies' Bible Studies begin this Month!



*The Excellent Wife* by Martha Peace

Led by Beth Long, this study continues from last  
winter, meeting on Wednesdays in the Fellowship  
Hall beginning **January 11**. Come at 9:00 for  
fellowship and coffee. The study itself will be  
from 9:30-11:00 a.m. You may use your book  
from last year—a “part 2” study guide will be  
available in the office soon. If you are just  
joining us and need a book, we have a few  
available in the office and can order more to  
arrive before the study begins.

## *The Gospel on the Ground*

This is a fascinating DVD-led study on  
the book of Acts. Facilitated by Sue  
DeForest, it will meet on Monday  
evenings at 6:00 and is scheduled to  
begin on **January 30**. Books are available in the  
office. Contact Sue or the church office to let us  
know you plan to attend.



## LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

# REACHING THE NATIONS, TOGETHER.



**Given to Date: \$4,608<sup>00</sup>**

*Thank you for giving to support  
missionaries around the globe!*

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT BLAST

### BUILDING LIVES AROUND SOLID TRUTH

## Resumes This Wednesday

**6:00PM Family Dinner**

All welcome (no kids required!)

Suggested Donation: \$3/person or \$10/family

**6:45PM Something for everyone**

from 3 years through 12th grade

Salty Youth, Girls Club,

Boys Club, and Preschool



## WORKERS NEEDED

for an **A-MAZE-ING VBS**

**Monday-Thursday, June 19-22, 2023**

## SIGN UP SOON TO SERVE!

If you'd like to serve during VBS, we'll ask you to  
sign up in January and February. This gives us  
time to organize efficiently, run appropriate  
background checks, and it gives you the  
opportunity to be sure your calendar is clear for  
those four days, as we need our VBS workers to be  
available every evening (exact times to be  
announced.) See Steve with any questions.

## *This Week at CrossPointe Fellowship*

### Sunday, January 1

- 9:00 am Worship  
Children's Church (4 years—5th grade)  
10:30 am Life Groups (see back)\*

### Wednesday, January 4

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study  
6:00 pm WNB Family Supper (All Welcome!)  
6:45 pm Wednesday Night BLAST  
groups for 3 years through 12th grade

### Thursday, January 5

- 9:30 am Prayer Circle (Bobbitt home)  
7:00 pm Payne Life Group (see back)

### Sunday, January 8

- 9:00 am Worship  
Children's Church (4 years—5th grade)  
10:30 am Life Groups (see back)  
11:40 am Covered Dish Fellowship



## **How to Reach Us**

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*Love God* Matthew 22:37-38  
*Love One Another* Matthew 22:39  
*Live the Mission* Matthew 22:18-20



CrossPointe Public: GoCrossPointe

Videos: YouTube.com/@CPF-AMI

*Awesome Adventure*, our **Children's Church** for 4 years through 5th grade, dismisses from the sanctuary before the message during the worship service.  
Children's Life Groups (10:30) meet in rooms on the 2nd floor of the Education Building.




**Anchored Student Ministries** (grades 6-12) Life Group meets at 10:30 each Sunday in the Youth Room (room 2) of the Education Building. There are a variety of other activities throughout the summer, including Wednesday evening activities and Fantastic Fridays. See Steve DeWitt for complete info.

### CPF Adult Groups meeting weekly

Day	Time	Topic/Group	Leader	Location*
Sun	10:30 am	<i>Romans: Righteousness from God Revealed</i>	Wayne Bronkema	Rm 7
	10:30 am	<i>The Gospels</i>	Stoney Stone	Sanctuary
	10:30 am	Women — <i>Job</i>	Benita Saldutti	Rm 4
	10:30 am	Young Adults — <i>The Gospel of John</i>	Andrew Turner	Basement
	10:30 am	<i>Genesis—A Book for Today</i>	David Romberger	Rm 1
Wed	7:00 am	Men — <i>Minor Prophets</i>	Ed Moss	Fellowship Hall
Thurs	9:30 am	Prayer Circle	Eloise Bobbitt	Bobbitt home
	7:00 pm	<i>Genesis</i>	Howard Payne	Payne home

*We have several groups that meet monthly or biweekly.  
Visit our online calendar to learn more about those groups.  
Please check your directory or call the church office for addresses of the groups that meet away from CPF.*

*Room numbers are upstairs in the Education Bldg.  
Fellowship Hall is the downstairs area of the Education Bldg.  
"Basement" is behind the choir loft—through either wood door to the sides of the stage.*

**Video & audio messages** are available on our website. The current message will be on our home page and past messages available under "Resources."   
**YouTube videos:** [YouTube.com/@CPF-AMI](https://www.youtube.com/@CPF-AMI). Links to our church, youth and children's Facebook pages can also be found on our home page.

Our regular attenders are invited to give online at our website or use our giving app: [Vanco Mobile](#), available from your mobile app store or scan the QR code to go to our giving page.



You can also give by creating payments through your bank, or simply drop a check (or cash) in an offering bucket as you leave today.

**Giving Note:** The Church Council has authorized "designated giving" for several ministries. Your gift designation is the highest priority. However, in accordance with IRS/governmental regulations, CPF retains discretion over the use of all gifts..



# The Rest of the Story and the Foreshadowing of 2023

1/1/23

**Luke 2:21** And when eight days were completed before His circumcision, His name was *then* called Jesus, the name given by the angel before He was conceived in the womb.

<sup>22</sup> And when the days for their purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought Him up to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord

<sup>23</sup> (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every *first-born* male that opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord "),

<sup>24</sup> and to offer a sacrifice according to what was said in the Law of the Lord, "A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons."

<sup>25</sup> And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; and this man was righteous and devout, looking for the consolation of Israel; and the Holy Spirit was upon him.

<sup>26</sup> And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

<sup>27</sup> And he came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to carry out for Him the custom of the Law,

<sup>28</sup> then he took Him into his arms, and blessed God, and said,

<sup>29</sup> "Now Lord, Thou dost let Thy bond-servant depart In peace, according to Thy word;

<sup>30</sup> For my eyes have seen Thy salvation,

<sup>31</sup> Which Thou hast prepared in the presence of all peoples,

<sup>32</sup> A light of revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Thy people Israel."

<sup>33</sup> And His father and mother were amazed at the things which were being said about Him.

<sup>34</sup> And Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, "Behold, this *Child* is appointed for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and for a sign to be opposed--

<sup>35</sup> and a sword will pierce even your own soul-- to the end that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed."

<sup>36</sup> And there was a prophetess, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with a husband seven years after her marriage,

<sup>37</sup> and then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. And she never left the temple, serving night and day with fastings and prayers.

<sup>38</sup> And at that very moment she came up and *began* giving thanks to God, and continued to speak of Him to all those who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

<sup>39</sup> And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own city of Nazareth.

**Matthew 2:1** Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying,

<sup>2</sup> "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we saw His star in the east, and have come to worship Him."

<sup>3</sup> And when Herod the king heard it, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

<sup>4</sup> And gathering together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he *began* to inquire of them where the Christ was to be born.

<sup>5</sup> And they said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it has been written by the prophet,

<sup>6</sup> 'And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, Are by no means least among the leaders of Judah; For out of you shall come forth a Ruler, Who will shepherd My people Israel.'"

<sup>7</sup> Then Herod secretly called the magi, and ascertained from them the time the star appeared.

<sup>8</sup> And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, "Go and make careful search for the Child; and when you have found *Him*, report to me, that I too may come and worship Him."

<sup>9</sup> And having heard the king, they went their way; and lo, the star, which they had seen in the east, went on before them, until it came and stood over where the Child was.

<sup>10</sup> And when they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy.

<sup>11</sup> And they came into the house and saw the Child with Mary His mother; and they fell down and worshiped Him; and opening their treasures they presented to Him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh.

<sup>12</sup> And having been warned *by God* in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their own country by another way.

<sup>13</sup> Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, "Arise and take the Child and His mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is going to search for the Child to destroy Him."

<sup>14</sup> And he arose and took the Child and His mother by night, and departed for Egypt;

<sup>15</sup> and was there until the death of Herod, that what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet might be fulfilled, saying, "Out of Egypt did I call My Son."

<sup>16</sup> Then when Herod saw that he had been tricked by the magi, he became very enraged, and sent and slew all the male children who were in Bethlehem and in all its environs, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had ascertained from the magi.