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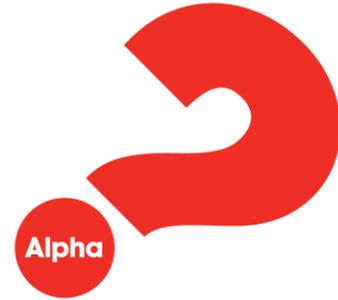
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"Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new."
Albert Einstein

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Lord has Risen! Alleluia!

I write to you today to share with you a wonderful Christian education opportunity that our parish is offering during this pandemic. The program that I am refereeing to is called Alpha. You may have heard about this Christian group/community study before. Founded in 1977 by Nicky Gumbel, an Anglican priest serving in London, England, the program seeks to offer a safe space to introduce and discuss the basics of the Christian faith through a series of videos, talks, and discussion. In many ways, it is an opportunity to "explore the meaning of life."



A typical Alpha course is generally hosted in person, where there is a time for hospitality as a meal is shared and then a time of study together. However, in light of our current situation, we are moving to an online platform via Zoom.

The series begins on May 19th and runs to June 30th. We gather online at 7:00pm, and we end at about 8:00pm.

The discussion topics include:

May 19	<i>Is There More to Life Than This?</i>
May 26	<i>Who is Jesus?</i>
June 2	<i>Why did Jesus Die?</i>
June 9	<i>How Can I Have Faith?</i>
June 16	<i>Why and How Do I Pray?</i>
June 23	<i>Why and How Do I Read the Bible?</i>
June 30	<i>How Does God Guide Us?</i>

Alpha is a program that has a history at Christ Church and has been offered in the past. At this time, we have several parishioners who have been asking for this program to be delivered. I feel the Alpha programme is a great way to create community, explore the tough questions we want to ask in a safe environment, and it develops leadership skills. It also is a way that we can continue to connect in this time of physical isolation.

If you have any questions regarding Alpha, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.

I encourage you to consider Alpha!

With Easter blessings, faithfully yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kyle Wagner".

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