

Alpha at St. Luke's 2020 Schedule Where Questions, Doubts and Open Minds Are Welcome



January	5 th	Is There More to Life Than This?
	12 th	Who is Jesus?
	19 th	Why Did Jesus Die?
	26 th	How Can I Have Faith?
February 2 nd		St. Luke's Church - Super Bowl Party - Join Us!
	9 th	Why and How Do I Pray?
16 th		Why and How Should I Read the Bible?
$23^{ m rd}$		How Does God Guide Us?
(Saturday) 29 th		Holy Spirit Retreat
March	8 th	How Can I Resist Evil?
	15 th	Does God Heal Today?
	22 nd	Why and How Should I Tell Others?
	29 th	What About the Church?

All Alpha Sessions are on Sundays and run from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church ~ 182 Main Street ~ Gladstone, NJ 07934

The sessions include social time, dinner and a video presentation led by Alpha founder Nicky Gumbel followed by small group discussions of weekly topics.

There is no commitment required and no cost to participate.

The Holy Spirit Retreat will be held on Saturday, February 29th. Details TBD.

What is Alpha? In the videos, presenter, Nicky Gumbel brings humor and authenticity to his thought-provoking presentations. Alpha is fun and uplifting and full of wonderful spiritual content. The small groups offer a judgement-free zone where faith questions can be explored openly. The dinner and table discussions offer a chance to connect with others about spirituality. Alpha is a program that has been attended by over 29 million people worldwide and has been translated into 112 languages. Last year alone over 2 million people participated. Alpha is for everyone - both Christians, non-Christians. It is an informal yet very informative dialogue developed to encourage discussion of our Christian faith and beliefs.

How can I benefit?

Faith is very personal. Many of us are at different places in our walk with the God. Alpha takes this into consideration and offers an enjoyable, safe, non-judgmental environment in which to explore life's questions and further our relationship with God.

Testimonials

To me, Alpha means "Faith, Friendship, Fellowship and Family with a deeper understanding of God through Jesus." $\sim Laura~K$.

Alpha is "the most substantial, wonderful learning program I've ever encountered. You'll find that you're soon on the high road to peaceful contentedness." \sim William T.

"When I was a new to our church, Alpha was an outreach program that I chose to participate in. This wonderful program helped me moved forward on my spiritual journey, my relationship with God and others. Nicky says, "people come to church because there is something missing in their lives." As a member of the Alpha team, I hope I can help others do the same." ~ Linda P.

"I am not well versed in the Bible. I felt intimidated...but was interested in faith and history. The warmth of fellow Alpha participants and the knowledge of how the Bible relates to today's situations was an amazing tool that changed by life. I knew God but now feel confirmation that He does truly love one and all through thick and thin." ~ *Cheri C*.

"Alpha has become my home away from home. As a member of the Alpha team, I continue to grow my faith through Bible Study, fellowship and participation. I am so hungry to learn more about our Lord and Savior and share what I have learned. Jesus commanded us to "feed My sheep," and I believe that is what Alpha is all about". *Diann F*.

"I am a devout, practicing Catholic and have found Alpha to be an inspiring, spiritually-enhancing experience....All in all, a worthy, spiritually fruitful program". ~Gabe D.

"I have been involved with Alpha since 2015 and have found it to be one of the most inspiring things that I have participated in. It is not a course, but a series of videos, talks and discussions in a welcoming setting. IT NEVER GETS OLD!" ~ Roger F.

For more information, please contact the Alpha Director for St. Luke's, Julie M. Sueta at 908-698-3007 or via email at juliesueta@gmail.com.

We thank you for your interest and look forward to meeting you!

ALL ARE WELCOME!