

women's bible study

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Dear Friends,

Welcome back to Women's Bible Study after the long break! I have missed you. I was in California for the birth of our second grandchild and missed Jann's final lecture on Numbers as well as our small group brunch. But I hope you were there, and then enjoyed your Christmas break.

I have to commend you for your generosity. It's extremely encouraging to know that in our fall offering, you gave \$1,935 to offset the costs of Women's Bible Study. That is amazing! Your gifts help pay for childcare, so young mothers can attend the study free of cost. They help cover the cost of questions, lecture notes, the announcement page, treats and so on. We are so grateful for your kindness. Thank you.



This week I am teaching from 1st Corinthians chapter 1: *Unity in the Cross*. The whole book of 1st Corinthians is about Unity in Love and, chapter by chapter, we'll see how Paul puts the love of Christ to work on all the thorny problems of a local church – people not getting along, people sinning against each other, not knowing what to do in regard to local culture. In many ways it's a good follow-up to the book of Numbers, since that also gave a down and dirty picture of the Israelites trying to learn to obey God and failing miserably at times. But in Corinth, we have new Christians who are learning to let the Spirit change them, just as he works in us.



I am so looking forward to being back together to study God's word. Welcome!



Your friend,
Gretchen Steer



1 Corinthians—Unity in Love

Jan 25—Unity in the Spirit
Feb 1—Unity in Leadership



PM Coffee Clean Up:

Jan 18—Kelly/Gernand
Jan 25—Stevens/Gay

WBS Winter/Spring 2017

Welcome to our new study: Unity in Love: A study in 1st Corinthians. Life groups will remain the same and there is no need to register again.

Save the date—Devoted Hearts 2017

It is such a blessing to have a Women's conference of this caliber at Autumn Ridge Church. Mark your calendars for **April 21-22, 2017**.

For more information, visit
www.devotedheartsrochester.com

Every time I think of you—and I think of you often!—I thank God for your lives of free and open access to God, given by Jesus. There's no end to what has happened in you—it's beyond speech, beyond knowledge. The evidence of Christ has been clearly verified in your lives.

1 Cor 1:4-6 / The Message

Notes: Unity in the Cross—1 Cor 1

I. Christ ordains

II. Christ equips

III. Christ unifies

IV. Christ crucified cancels the world's wisdom



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