

HUBS @ FHBC



A Hub is the central part of a wheel or the point of intersection and convergence. Hubs are places we connect with one another. Of course, that can happen in a lot of different ways. Here at FHBC, we have identified four types of Hubs—Community, Learning, Activity and Service.

While not all Hubs meet with the same frequency, they all connect during three main seasons. These three seasons are punctuated by opportunities for corporate connection during advent, holy week and the summer months.

Fall—September through November

Winter—January through March

Spring—April through June

Community Hub leaders will make a decision regarding childcare in advance. There will be three main options:

- Childcare Program Offered at FHBC
- Members of the Group Alternate Providing Childcare
- No Childcare Provided

COMMUNITY



Community Hubs are meant to foster relationships, promote spiritual growth and provide a context for care. They share meals, share stories, read and study the Bible and pray for each other. These groups meet at various times and locations. When joining a Hub, we ask you commit for the fall, winter and spring seasons.

Simon Community Hub

- Day & Time: Sundays (9:00am)
- Location: Rooms 101-102
- Childcare: Canyon Edge Kids available
- Focus: Various Topics
- Leaders: Tim & Susan Simon—Tim has served in law enforcement and moved back to the Grand Rapids area several years ago after assignments in Pennsylvania and Maryland. He and his wife Susan have four children.

Worship Team Community Hub

- Day & Time: Sundays (9:00am)
- Location: FHBC Room 206 (off the Hub)
- Focus: Various Topics
- Leaders: Luke & Lacey have six children and are one of our

many FHBC families passionate about adoption. They were integral in launching our Base Camp summer children's ministry. Luke has helped develop and maintain our church website. They both love music and desire to create a sense of community among our worship team.

Jr/Sr High Community Hub

- Day & Time: Sundays (9:00am)
- Location: FHBC Room 108 (Breakout Room)
- Focus: Various Topics
- Leader: Pete Anderson

Weaver Community Hub

- Day & Time: Sundays (10:30am)
- Location: FHBC Commons
- Childcare: Canyon Edge Kids Available
- Focus: Various Topics
- Leaders—Todd & Laura Weaver—Todd & Laura are graduates of Hillsdale College. They have three children and enjoy sports, hiking and the outdoors.

18-29 Community Hub

- Day & Time: Sundays (10:30am)
- Location: FHBC Rooms 101-102
- Focus: Various Topics
- Leaders: Dan & Michelle Schellenberg—They have been working with college and career adults for many years. They have been married for 26 years and have 4 grown boys.

Dame Community Hub

- Day & Time: Sundays (10:30am)
- Location: Rooms 104-105
- Childcare: Canyon Edge Kids Available
- Focus: Sermon-Based Discussion and Other Topics
- Leaders: Frankie & Kelsey Dame—They met in graduate school in 2014 and got married in 2017. Shortly after that, they got jobs in West Michigan and moved to Lowell. They began attending FHBC in January 2020. This group is designed to create a community among young couples.

Godinez Community Hub

- Day & Time: Sundays (10:30am)
- Location: Rooms 107
- Childcare: Canyon Edge Kids Available
- Focus: Sermon-Based Discussion and Other Topics
- Leaders: Dan & Sarah Godinez —They met and married here at FHBC! And they now live in Lowell with their two children—Betsy and Evan.

Jr/Sr High Community Hub

- Day & Time: Sundays (10:30am)
- Location: FHBC Room 108 (Breakout Room)
- Focus: Various Topics
- Leaders: Jimmy Murray—Jimmy grew up here at FHBC and graduated from Moody Bible Institute and received a counseling degree from Grand Rapids Theological Seminary. He spent a year studying at Jerusalem University College in Israel. In his free time, you will likely find him on a local softball field!

Snider Community Hub

- Day & Time: Sundays (6:30pm)
- Location: Snider's Home (Cascade)
- Childcare: No Childcare Provided
- Focus: Galatians
- Leaders: Dave & Nancy Snider—Married for 40 years, Dave & Nancy share a passion for small group ministry and believe that long-haul relationships among believers provide an ideal setting for pursuing maturity in our faith journeys. They have a long history of small group participation and leadership and have experienced first-hand the benefits of “doing life together.”

Lifeline Gathering

- Day & Time: Wednesdays (6:30pm)
- Location: Ignite Kids Club Available
- Focus: *Pilgrim's Progress* by John Bunyan
- Leaders: Steve Disselkoen

Life Groups

- Various Times & Locations
- Childcare: No Childcare Provided
- Focus: Life Groups are the next stage of friendship, discipleship and accountability after large and mid-sized groups. These are smaller groups of four or five individuals, all of the same gender, who meet twice a month at a time and place of their choosing (for 90 minutes or less) for the purpose of intentional discipleship and growing in the image of Christ (via deeper, more open discussions, accountability, self-reflection, prayer for others, etc.). This is an opportunity to have more accountability and open conversation than one could generally have in a co-ed Community Hub setting.

LEARNING



Learning Hubs are centered on growth, discovery and a deeper understanding of Scripture and how it applies to everyday life. These Hubs take the form of seminars and may focus on finances, marriage, friendship, our work, or knowing God.

FHBC 101 Hub

- Day & Time: January 16, 23, 30 (10:30am)
- Location: Room 206 (off the Hub)
- Childcare: Canyon Edge Kids Available
- Focus: This three-week seminar is designed as an orientation for guests and newcomers to FHBC as well as those who are interested in exploring next steps. It focuses on God's design for the church and why it is so important. It is also a requirement for those considering baptism or church membership.
- Leaders: Dave & Nancy Snider

Ladies Bible Study

- Day & Time: Every Other Tuesday (9:30am—11am) beginning September 20, 2022.
- Location: FHBC Room 206 (off the Hub)
- Childcare: Provided
- Focus: They will be studying John Snider's book, *Behold Your God, The Weight of Majesty*.
- Leader: Nancy Snider & Tonya Samuels

Book Club Hub

- Day & Time: The group will meet every 6 weeks.
- Dates and books will be announced through our group E-mail.
- Location: Various homes
- Childcare: No Childcare Provided
- Focus: Join in to read well-written, thought-provoking books from a variety of genres that spur discussions, debate and critical thinking from a biblical worldview. More social than literary, with plenty of time to gather and chat. Sign up to get on our email list.
- Leader: Emily Hancock

ACTIVITY



Activity Hubs build community around shared interests—a sport, a hobby, a passion, or a vocation. The options are endless and we hope these groups are as diverse and creative as the people of FHBC. They provide easy, low-commitment ways of getting to know other followers of Jesus and create natural opportunities to invite others in. Activity Hubs meet regularly or semi-regularly during a fall, winter, or spring season.

Young Mother's Weekday Hub

- Day & Time: 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month—beginning January 11 (11am-1pm) - This group is an open house format; Come at the time that works for you (or your baby's) schedule. Lunch will be provided.
- Location: 3044 Jeanlin Dr SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546
- Childcare: Children Welcome
- Focus: Do you have a baby or young toddler? Come meet with other new moms as we get to know each other and share the joys and challenges of raising little ones- from the practical to the spiritual. Our group meets beginning October 5th.
- Leader: Rebecca Emerson: Contact her for more information: 616-541-5535, call or text.

L.I.F.T. Hub (Ladies in Fellowship Together)

- Day & Time: Every other week starting on January 13, 2022.
- Location: 237 Loch Lomond NE Grand Rapids, MI 49546
- Childcare: No Childcare Provided
- Focus: Gather for dinner and games. And this group is always looking for ways to engage in serving others through acts of kindness.
- Leader: Shirley Miller

Volleyball Hub

- Day & Time: Every other Monday (7-9pm)
- Location: FHBC Gym
- Childcare: No Childcare Provided
- Leader: Keri Ellyson

Basketball Hub

- Day & Time: Every other Monday (7-9pm)
- Location: FHBC Gym
- Childcare: No Childcare Provided
- Leader: James Hardman

SERVICE



Service Hubs provide opportunities for people connect through serving others. This might involve volunteering in the church or in the community.

- **Olivia's Gift** (Jodee Bruneau / Susan Paras) - Olivia's Gift is a local home for young adults with severe disabilities. Join with others in blessing these amazing individuals. Get on the schedule to visit with residents on a Thursday evening (COVID permitting), donate supplies, provide encouragement, engage in virtual connection, and plan and participate in larger church-wide events.
- **New Creations Prison Ministries** (Colleen Christie) - Inmates are a captive audience. And many are uniquely open to hearing about the gospel. Be a part of a team grading Bible correspondence courses for inmates.
- **Brew Crew** (Gary Nickell)—This group gathers weekly to share a cup of coffee and help with small maintenance tasks around the church facility.
- **Audio/Video Team** (Kris Ford) - Work behind the scenes to help communicate the gospel through projection, sound, and livestream.
- **Nursery** (Amy Anderson)—Encourage young families by helping watch their infants so they can attend worship services and Community Hubs. *Requires a background check and abuse awareness training.*
- **Student Ministry** (Craig Perry) - Invest in the lives of junior/senior high students and help direct them toward a vibrant

walk with Christ. *Requires a background check and abuse awareness training.*

- **Canyon Edge Kids** (Matt Reynolds) - Impact kids as a teacher or classroom helper, or in a support capacity at the children's check-in kiosks. Opportunities are available on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings (during the school year). *Requires a background check and abuse awareness training.*
- **Guest Services** (Bryan Molda) — Brew coffee, extend a warm greeting, help give directions, and be a part of a team that creates a warm and welcoming atmosphere for guests and newcomers.
- **Medical Team** (Scott Christie) - Do you have medical or emergency responder training? Be a part of a group that can respond in emergency situations and create a culture of health and safety.
- **Worship Team** (Craig Perry)—Help lead the congregation in worship through singing or playing an instrument.
- **Security Team** (Tim Simon) - Help provide a safe and healthy environment for people to hear from God's Word.
- **Celebration Team** (Angela McBride) - This team helps to facilitate showers, celebrations and other significant events in the life of the congregation.
- **Missions Team** Be a catalyst for missions by supporting and advocating for our missionaries and by mobilizing the church to reach the nations—both locally and globally.
- **ESL Conversation Group** (Susan Paras and Amy Anderson) Our goal is to provide fellowship and English/Culture learning by reaching the local international community and inviting them to our church.

Points of Clarity

- We will provide multiple onramps to make groups more accessible to newcomers.
- Given COVID concerns, we need to offer multiple venue options—traditional (in person), micro (limited to ten adults), and virtual (Zoom-based). A Zoom option could also address child-care dynamics (i.e. could be hosted at 8:30pm after kids are down).
- The micro option allows people to gather in smaller cohorts. This fits with some of the governor's guidelines and perhaps would allow people to feel more comfortable without masks.
- We need at least a two-week orientation period (i.e. Hub fair) before sign-ups go live.
- A sermon-based study guide (with five key questions) is helpful tool allowing most anyone to lead a Hub. But we need to offer more topic-based groups.
- Given our current structure, the Sunday/Wednesday options will be critical. They allow for childcare but also keep families from having to commit another night of the week. In order to accomplish this, we need to set aside Lifeline and offer a couple of different Hubs on Wednesday evenings.

