

Life Group Leader Bios | Spring 2016



Jonathan & Jen Golyzniak

1st/3rd Wednesday | 7 pm
Madison - Young Families

We are excited to lead a group of married couples and young families this year! Jon and I moved to Madison 5 years ago and were so blessed to have found such a great church family here at DCC. We enjoy the outdoors, traveling and spending time with our friends around Madison.

Our group consists of married couples and young families who are looking to build strong relationships, get to know other families within our church community, and encourage one another through the many changes that growing families experience. Our gatherings will occasionally include fun family activities and serving together.



Paul and Cassie Smith

Wednesdays | 5:30 - 7 pm
Sun Prairie - Young Families

Paul is an IT support specialist and Cassie is an applications developer. Our daughter, Audrey, is one and a half. We follow a video Bible study curriculum for parents of young children. Childcare is provided at our home during our meetings, so you are welcome to bring your kids. We look forward to meeting you!



Jaemyn Sorenson

Thursdays | 6:30 pm

McFarland - Young Singles (men/women) 20s-early 30s

I'm eager to be getting more involved at Door Creek by facilitating a group of singles! I've moved around quite a lot and have been in the Madison area for a little over five years now. I haven't really felt like I belonged to a church since I was little and so being at this church has just been such a blessing to me.

It's incredibly important to have other like-minded Christians to be able to share and discuss the Word with. But I'd also love if we could do life together too. Movie nights (I'm a bit of a geek), eating out, going bowling. Looking forward to this new chapter in our lives!!



Rena Crispin

Mondays (2x a month) | 7-8:30 pm

South Madison - Singles 50+ (men/women)

This is a new group in 2016! I joined Door Creek Church two years ago. Previously I attended Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Madison, where I worshiped, served, and ministered through music as a member of the gospel choir for 20 years. I'm all about sharing God's Word in beautiful harmony. Oh, and I love the outdoors. If you come in the northwest doors for a Sunday service you'll often find me outside the door, serving as a greeter and enjoying God's weather!

This group is a small group (8 - 10) of Christians and seekers who want to learn more about Jesus through His Word, serve in the community together, and fellowship with one another within the common bond of being single (unmarried)--for any reason.



Carrie Cauthorn

Thursdays | 6:30 pm

Sprecher Road Campus - College Age

Facilitating the College Age People group (CAP) gives me great joy. Getting the opportunity to view spiritual growth in young adults on a weekly basis is a wonderful blessing. Growing up in a small community with the city life still in reach has given me a firm understanding of how God uses each and everyone of us to fulfill His purpose. Attended MATC then transferred to Huntington University for worship leadership. Currently working and volunteering at various churches and Lake Waubesa Bible Camp. Prepare yourself for friendship, fun, and of course laughter.



Erik and Cassie Anderson

Thursdays | 6:30 pm

Edgerton - Young Families

We want to stay connected with other Door Creekers from our commuter area, so what better place to make that happen than with a Life Group. Erik works in inside sales for Hellenbrand Water, coaches high school 8-man football for Abundant Life Christian School, and helps out with the high-schoolers at DCC. Cassie is a Shaklee Wellness Coach from home, as well as DCC's new Preschool Coordinator for God's Garden. We have three adventurous and goofy boys, they are Elijah 8, Gunnar 6, and Clay 4.

We are thrilled to open up our home to meet new friends and be rooted in God's word together. Our group can accommodate up to 6 people, preferably other couples in a similar life-stage, but it really is open to anyone willing to come over and hang out with us. The topic will be "You and Me Forever" by Francis Chan.



Jeff & Denise Sorenson

Sunday (2/4th weekend) | 3-5 pm

McFarland - Adoption/Foster Support

We have been married for 26 years and have two grown children, Jordan and Jaemyn. We were previously in the Dane County Foster system but are now working with an agency for a domestic adoption and are waiting for God's perfect timing to share His love with another child! It's our hope to raise Godly children as well as learn from and encourage one another to parent with wisdom, grace and lots of joy and prayers, while we walk alongside each other on this journey of adoption and/or foster care.



Michelle Tennant

Every other Sunday | 6-7:30 pm

Cottage Grove - General / Mixed

I am looking forward to leading a sermon-based study this year! Sermon-based Bible studies are a great way to connect with others, discuss the weekend messages and grow in our relationship with Christ. I would love to have you join!

I have been attending Door Creek Church for 15 years and served in many ministries including God's Garden, Greeter, The Road Home, and Dwelling Place. I have three children, the oldest is married. My second child is a junior at the UW. My baby is a freshman at Monona Grove High School. I took an early retirement in 2012 after working in IT for 28 years. Now I volunteer, spend more time with family/friends, and exercise frequently as I live with MS and work at maintaining my functionality.

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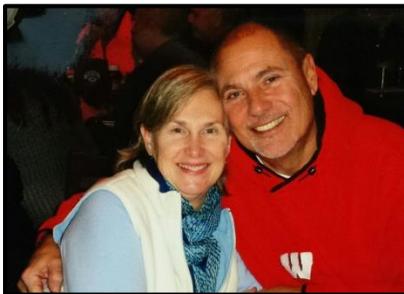


John & Jelene Gilmore

Every other Sunday | 4:30 pm
Sun Prairie - Blended Family (open to any families)

We're a grateful couple learning to trust God's transforming grace as we - walk with Jesus in a 2nd marriage, heal and recover from divorce and navigate all the very unique dynamics of a blended family life. John is in marketing and Jelene is a director of autism services. Our collective kids comprise of, Hannah (23 - out on her own), David (21 - out on his own), Derek (19), Jenna (16), Julia (14) and Daisy (our dog - who would be offended if we did include her).

Divorced, remarried, blended family - our group focus will be to connect with individuals and couples trying to better understand how the Gospel of Grace can bring hope and empowerment to those of us who have first-hand experience with divorce, remarriage & blended family life.



Dennis & Cindy Semenic

Every other Wednesday | 7 pm
Sun Prairie - Empty Nesters

Dennis & Cindy are active retired empty nesters who enjoy motorcycling, ATV and boating. They have been involved in Life Groups for many years and like to connect with others around God's Word. They are looking forward to meeting you and leading a Life Group this winter!



Bob Robinson

Mondays | Evenings
Marshall - General / Mixed

I was born and raised in Congo, Africa and then as adult was educated at MBI and Trinity. I've been married 45 years to my wife, Martha. I've been a pastor of five different churches and I am now enjoying part-time ministry at DCC I also have experienced life "from the pew," as Real Estate Agent and managing a Pizza Hut. We have three adult children, all born in Guatemala while serving as missionaries. My hobbies and interests are family, hunting, fishing, landscaping and electronic games.



Lon Matz

Mondays | 7 pm
Madison West - Empty Nester



Ron & Sue Shirmulis

Lon:

We began attending Buckeye Church in 1990, now Door Creek, where God continued to nourish us spiritually and provide us with special relationships. Over the years I have been involved in a variety of youth ministries as well as special ministries with international students.

In 2014 I retired from American Family Insurance after a long career and began a new chapter in life. Helping others with home improvement projects has been a part of that new chapter.

I enjoy spending time with my family, which has grown to include four grandchildren who live nearby and an adopted daughter in Christ and her husband. During the cold and snow of winter we flee for a week or two to visit our two Southern California kids. In between family activities we enjoy exercising, hiking and doing our own home improvement projects.

I am looking forward to leading our life group and developing new friendships.

Ron & Sue: In April 2015 we relocated to Madison to be close to daughters and grandchildren. We babysit our grandchildren two days a week. Ron enjoys golf, working around the house and spending time with the grandchildren. Sue enjoys projects and being with friends. We are looking forward to making new friends and growing in our spiritual walk.



Elizabeth Peters, Justin & Alison Crubaugh

Thursday | 7:30 pm

Sprecher Road Campus - Young Adult / Post College

I'm Elizabeth Peters and I am a leader with the Young Adult group. I have been involved with the group for four years, being a leader for 3 of those years. I really enjoy meeting new people and hearing their stories. I am up for anything from being outdoors, playing sports, watching movies, and spending time with friends! If you are interested in getting to know other young adults around God's word and fun events, please join us! (Starts September 17)

My name is Justin Crubaugh and I am the teaching leader of the young adults group at door creek church. I'm 26 and married to Alison who is a teacher at Jefferson west elementary. In 2011 I graduated from the University of Northwestern St Paul with a ministry degree. Recently I accepted a position with Dean health insurance as a claims programmer. My wife and I enjoy playing sports such as volleyball and basketball with our friends.



Mike Niedermair

Monday | Evenings

Sun Prairie / Madison - Singles 35-50

Mike is a Relationship Banker in Madison where he has enjoyed working with his clients for 18+ years. Together Mike and his daughter, Mari, enjoy camping, cookouts, social events, volunteering in their community and ushering at Door Creek Church. Mike is looking forward to opening his home to others and connecting around God's Word.



Todd & Jacqui Moss

Sunday | Evening
Eastside of Madison

My wife and I each came to know the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior at young ages and were blessed to grow up in Christ centered homes. We met in college and have now been married for 10 years. We have a young daughter, Stella, who is two years old. We both work full time jobs out of the home; I work in Sales in the Electrical Industry and Jacqui works in Clinic Operations. In our free time we enjoy spending time as family and doing DIY projects around the house. We are looking forward to growing in Christ with you.

There is no childcare but children are welcomed! We keep children with us or they can play in the adjoining room within eyesight. (Average age of children is three).



Rick & Diane Newman

Every other Friday | 6:45 -8:30 pm
Madison

We have belonged to Buckeye/Door Creek church since November of 1993. We currently both serve at Hy-Vee on East Washington avenue.

We've been married over 37 years and have our 2nd grandson coming around the 25th of January and love the Lord. We wish to teach our descendants about Him and leave a lasting Christian legacy. We meet every other Friday night and no childcare is provided.

