

# Three Rivers Church

## Small Group Ministries

	Time	Frequency	Group Profile	Contact	Phone	E-mail	Location	Child Care	Current Focus
<b>Sunday</b>	6 PM	Every other week	30s - 50s	Dan Deeter	(h) 815-254-5141 (c) 630-333-6846	deeter1813@yahoo.com	Plainfield	No	"Crazy Love"
		Weekly	Open	Chuck Mansfield	815-254-0619	The_Mansfield_Zoo@comcast.net	Plainfield	No	"Safe People"
<b>Monday</b>	7:30 PM	Weekly	20s - 40s	Jerry Hall	815-577-0547	gerald.hall@perkinelmer.com	Rotates	No	Hebrews
<b>Tuesday</b>	7 PM	Weekly	"Just for Guys"	Dave Spirk	815-609-0380	spirkee@msn.com	Plainfield	No	Romans
<b>Wednesday</b>	5:30 AM	Weekly	Men Only	Pastor Clem	815-254-3211	pastor@threeriverschurch.com	Plainfield	No	"God Space"
	7 PM	2nd & 4th Wednesdays	Open	Eric Fornelli	815-436-1141	eric@threeriverschurch.com	Plainfield	No	Weekly Sermon Study
	7 PM	Weekly	Open	Jeff Hannah	630-234-1233	jbhannah9@hotmail.com	Romeoville	Yes	Theology
<b>Thursday</b>	7 PM	Weekly	40s and way up	Mike Franke	815-726-0317	m.franke@comcast.net	Plainfield	No	Matthew
<b>Friday</b>	7 PM	Every week	Open	Brian Sampson	815-436-3757	databum@gmail.com	Rotates	Yes	Weekly Sermon Study
	7:30 PM	Every other week	"With Strings Attached"	Kevin Stout	815-439-3679	kevin.and.pat1@comcast.net	Rotates	No	Prayer & Worship
<b>Saturday</b>	6 PM	Every other week	20s - 40s	Steve Hannah	815-725-3778	rshannah@gmail.com	Plainfield	Yes	Various Books & Bible Studies

**For more information: contact Three Rivers Church Office 815.439.8787**

**NOTE:** For information regarding **Women's Bible & Book Studies** please see the "**Women of the Word**" brochure or call the church office.

*\*The ages mentioned above are meant to be representative of current attenders. They are in no way intended to limit the choices of those who seek to participate. We encourage all people to 'try-out' any group that is of interest to them.*

## Growing Bigger by Getting Smaller

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## “One-Anothering”

*Through Small Groups We Will:*

- o Love one another (John 13:34-35)
- o Pray for one another (James 5:16)
- o Honor one another (Romans 12:10)
- o Greet one another (Romans 16:16)
- o Demonstrate concern for each other (1 Cor. 12:25)
- o Encourage one another (Hebrews 3:13 & 10:25)
- o Offer hospitality to one another (1 Peter 4:9)
- o Bear one another’s burdens (Galatians 6:1-2)
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## Get Connected

# Info Sheet

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### OUR MISSION:

to honor God by  
connecting people  
with Jesus

### OUR VISION:

to be a Christ-like  
family of purpose  
driven believers

## Why does Three Rivers Church have a Small Group Ministry?

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## What are small groups designed to do?

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## Do I have to be a member to join a small group?

Absolutely not! It is our desire at Three Rivers Church that everyone should be learning and benefitting from the “one anothering” that can take place best through small groups. Of course, we hope you’ll become a member, but we want you to do that only as God leads you.

## Do I have to commit to a group?

Absolutely not! We believe that when you find the right group, you’ll want to continue there. But, at first, you should just try a few until you find one that feels like a good fit. Also, as time passes, you may find that your needs change, so you may change groups to either suit your interests or find a better fit.

## I have experience leading small groups. How can I get into this role at Three Rivers?

We need leaders to add more small groups. To lead a small group, you must be a member of Three Rivers Church. For more details please contact the church office at 815-439-8787.

## How do small groups choose their area of focus or study?

Small groups come together for many reasons. A common interest among participants often drives this. The Small Group Coordinator is kept aware of what groups study, and reviews this to ensure it is doctrinally consistent with the Bible and values of Three Rivers Church. From time to time, there may be common areas for short-term emphasis as directed by the Elder Board, but these instances are clearly the exception.

## **How can I get more information about when and where groups meet as well as their areas of focus?**

There is a complete list of groups and contact information available at the Information Center in the lobby of our church.

## **If some of us want to get together and start a small group, what should we do to make this happen?**

We need to add more small groups so that more people can participate in this vital ministry. Training is available. For more details, please contact the church office at 815-439-8787.

## **Do small group leaders have to attend any meetings?**

Small group leaders meet for 1 hour every other month. The purposes of this meeting are to learn, share ideas, and fellowship with one another.

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It is extremely important to us (and you) that you get connected to a small group here at Three Rivers Church. This is the first line of communication for meeting individual needs for growth, care, and fellowship. You don't want to miss the opportunities that this ministry presents!

To get started, please feel free to contact any small group contact person.

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## Frequently Asked Questions