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EVERY ONE EVERY DAY STARTS HERE.



NEIGHBORHOODS

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WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

Whether you're an introvert, extrovert, socially adept or socially awkward; someone who is starting to explore faith in God, is a new believer, or a long-time, committed follower of Jesus; we recognize that there is a wide range in God's family. But there is beauty in pursuing progress over perfection together!

Beginning in 2025 the neighborhoods that we've established during worship services are expanding and will become a primary place where we'll experience community and live out our mission of *"every one every day helping one another experience life-giving freedom in Jesus"*.

We believe that in neighborhoods, the personal, journey-based outcomes of becoming image bearers, scarred restorers, known friends, daily ambassadors and kingdom partners will become evident as the people of Third Church actively grow and live out their faith together.

How will neighborhoods do this?

In Third Church neighborhoods we'll use our strategies of TRAIN, BLESS, and RECHARGE to provide a more holistic experience of what it means to look like someone who is on mission at Third Church and following Jesus.

We will **TRAIN** in our neighborhoods through teaching and guided discussions, activating the Word of God. We will **BLESS** one another in neighborhoods as we connect in life-giving, missional ways with radical hospitality. And finally, we'll **RECHARGE** by seeking God's presence through prayer, silence, worship and other practices to activate the Spirit of God to overflow into our everyday lives.



SAVE THE DATE

GOOD TIMES. GREAT PEOPLE.

Block Party

Come worship with us on Sunday, January 12 then stay awhile for an awesome Neighborhood Block Party that will span our entire building!

COME EXPLORE.

Open House

Bring your curiosity with you on Sunday, January 19 as you visit neighborhood spaces and meet neighborhood leaders during our Neighborhood Open Houses.

NEIGHBORHOODS BEGIN.

Move-In Day

All neighborhoods will start the week of January 26.

WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR?

We hope to mobilize our mission of “every one every day helping one another experience life-giving freedom in Jesus” by connecting with others at a deeper level and applying God’s word. Throughout 2025, our neighborhoods will be exploring how to practice the way of Jesus in our busy, distracted, and increasingly secular culture.

Our neighborhoods are listed on the following pages and we’d encourage you to make one your primary landing place. If you have questions or concerns about where the best place for you might be, let us know! We’ll help you find a place.

SUNDAY NEIGHBORHOODS



LEGACY MAKERS

For those embracing the second half of life's journey.

MON	TUE	WED	THR	FRI	SAT	SUN	TIME	9:15-10:15 AM
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LEADERS **BRIAN VANDE LUNE, KEITH KORVER, JOHN & BEV WISSE**



EMPTY NESTERS

For those with kids who have grown up and left "the nest."

Choose one of the following times.

MON	TUE	WED	THR	FRI	SAT	SUN	TIME	9:30-10:30 AM
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LEADERS **STEVE & BEV ROOZEBOOM, NUPER & JUDY NUNNIKHOVEN, SCOTT & LAURIE VOS**

MON	TUE	WED	THR	FRI	SAT	SUN	TIME	10:30-11:30 AM
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LEADERS **JOEL BENNETT, LOREN & JEAN VAN WYK, LINDA STEDDOM, DIANE MEYER, CATHY VEENSTRA**



PARENTS OF YOUNGSTERS

For parent(s) of infants/children through 5th grade.

Choose one of the following times.

MON	TUE	WED	THR	FRI	SAT	SUN	TIME	9:30-10:30 AM
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LEADERS **MICK & CRYSTAL SNEIDER, COLIN & AUBURN VAN KOOTEN, KYLE & AMANDA HARWOOD**

MON	TUE	WED	THR	FRI	SAT	SUN	TIME	10:30-11:30 AM
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LEADERS **JOE & RACHEL GRAYBILL, LAINE & KEVIN KORVER, AMANDA WILLIAMS EDEN & TREVOR KOOLMEES, JOSH & ERIKA SMITH**

M|C **MARRIED COUPLES**
 For couples at any stage in their marriage.

MON	TUE	WED	THR	FRI	SAT	SUN	TIME 10:30-11:30 AM
LEADERS MATTHEW & SARAH BURCH, JILLIAN & NATHAN VAN DONSELAAR							

|| **INTENTIONALLY INTERGENERATIONAL**
 For anyone, anywhere on their spiritual journey, of all ages, generations and backgrounds.

MON	TUE	WED	THR	FRI	SAT	SUN	TIME 10:30-11:30 AM
LEADERS DEVIN & COMFORT DEWEERD, JOE & JOY KEMPEN, SUE COYLE, LYLE HORMAN							

Y|A **YOUNG ADULTS**
 For single, nearly- or newlyweds.

MON	TUE	WED	THR	FRI	SAT	SUN	TIME 6:30-8:00 PM
LEADERS REGAN COOPER, LONDON VANDER LEEST, BRANDON DINGEMAN, ALEXA DINGEMAN							



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 HOLISTIC DISCIPLESHIP EXPERIENCE AS WE ACTIVATE
 THE WORD OF GOD AND THE SPIRIT OF GOD
 WITH THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

MIDWEEK NEIGHBORHOODS

Y|A **YOUNG ADULTS**
 For single, nearly- or newlyweds.


MON	TUE	WED	THR	FRI	SAT	SUN	TIME 6:30-8:00 PM
LEADERS JACOB SCHEMM, KATE MAGILL, ALLY CANFIELD							

S|A **SINGLES**
 For singles of any age.

MON	TUE	WED	THR	FRI	SAT	SUN	TIME 6:45-8:00 PM
LEADERS AL HIBBARD, JOHN & HILLARY FERRER							

P|S **PARENTS OF STUDENTS**
 For parent(s) of adolescents and teens.


MON	TUE	WED	THR	FRI	SAT	SUN	TIME 6:30-8:00 PM
LEADERS KATIE PETERSON, STEPH HIETBRINK, BECKY DE NOOY, DUANE & SUSIE ANDERSON							

 **INTENTIONALLY INTERGENERATIONAL**

For anyone, anywhere on their spiritual journey, of all ages, generations and backgrounds.

MON	TUE	WED	THR	FRI	SAT	SUN	TIME 6:30-8:00 PM
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**LEADERS STEVE & KATHY TERLOUW, DARIN & MICHELLE WOGEN
BILL & DEBBIE HALPIN, MARK BLANKESPOOR, VIVIAN WILLEMSSEN**

 **SINGLES THROUGH LOSS**

For singles that have lost their spouse through death or divorce.

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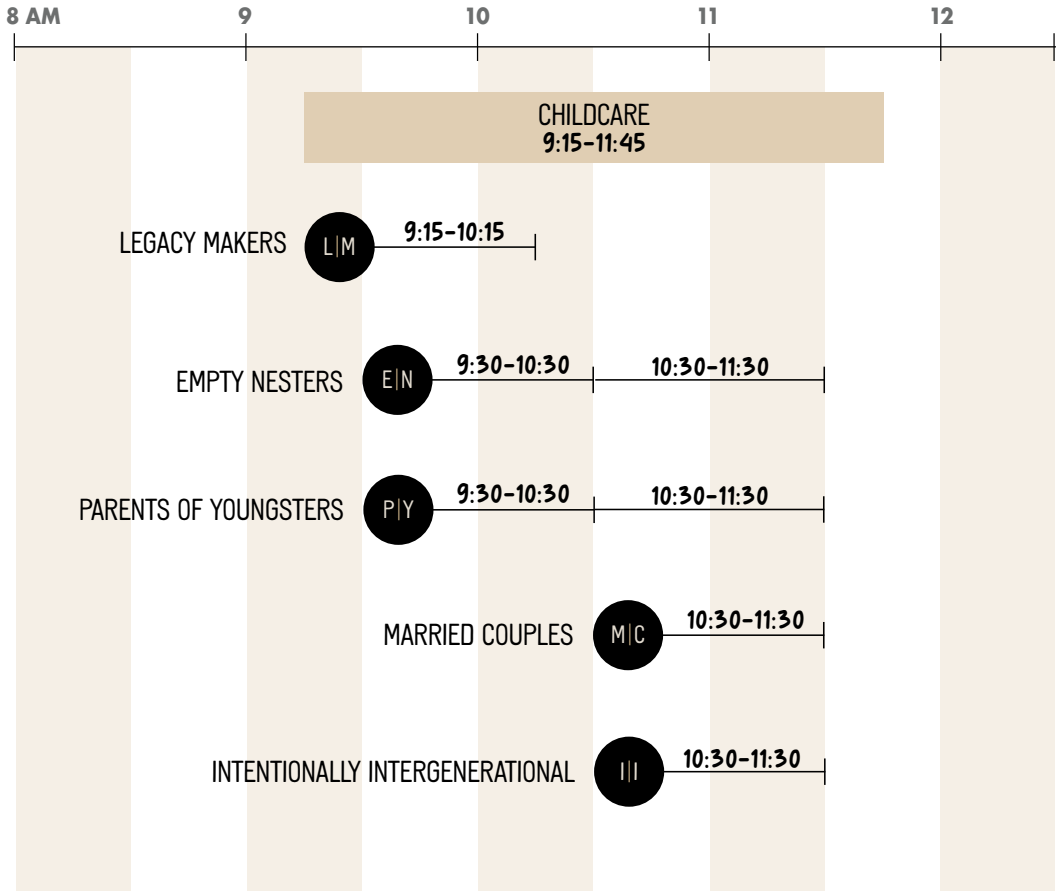
LEADERS RON JANSEN, MARY LOU VANDE LUNE, DENISE KOOLMEES, MARILYN DE BRUIN



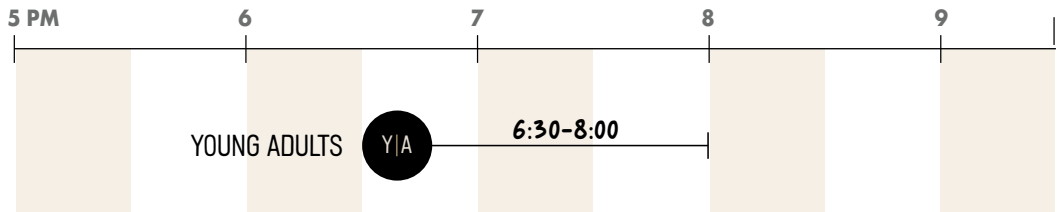
Join a Neighborhood and be part of every one, every day.

Contact Faye Howard at fayeh@trcpella.com or 641-628-4900x202 if you have questions about joining a neighborhood. Registration also available at trcpella.com/neighborhoods.

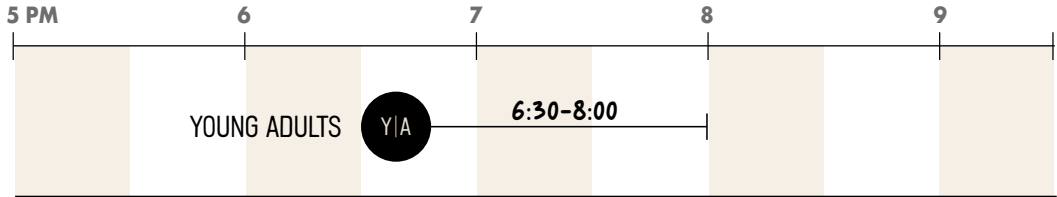
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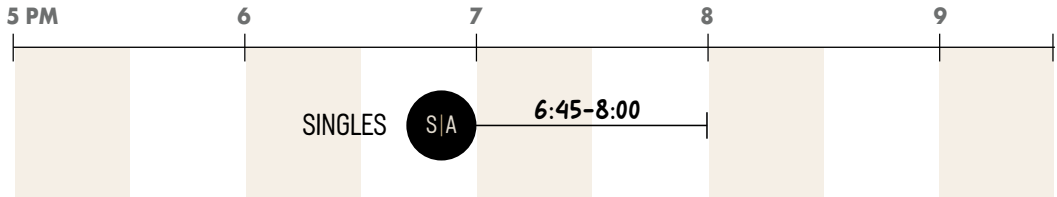
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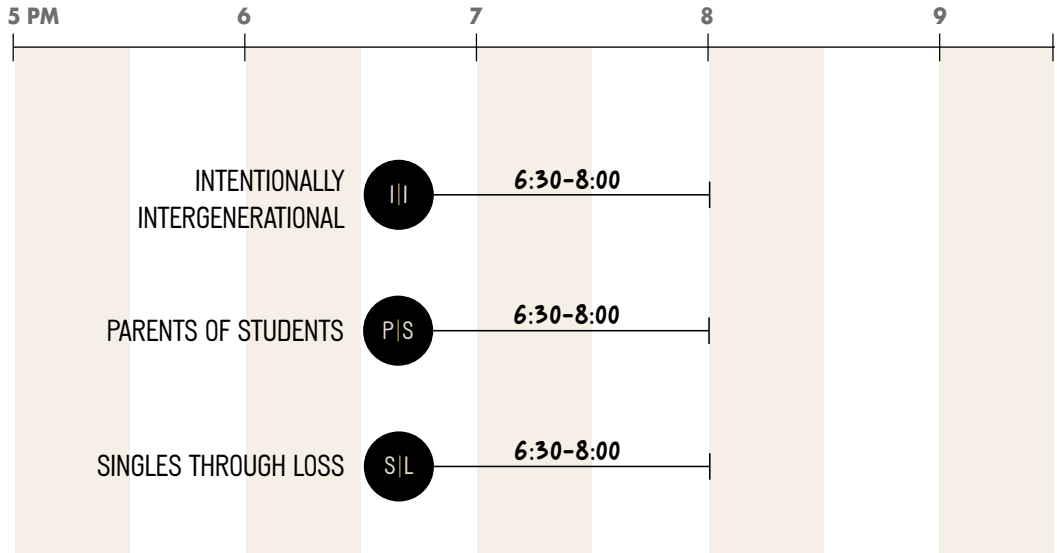
MONDAY EVENING TIMETABLE



TUESDAY EVENING TIMETABLE



WEDNESDAY EVENING TIMETABLE





**WE CAN'T BECOME THE PEOPLE
GOD WANTS US TO BECOME
OUTSIDE OF COMMUNITY.**

It's our hope that everyone who worships at Third Church will become part of a neighborhood making a commitment to show up and engage as often as possible.

And who knows? Your neighborhood may become a place where you discover more of His goodness and kindness in ways you never expected—and maybe didn't even know you needed.

What's getting in the way of your "yes"?

If having childcare is getting in the way of your "yes", Come and Stay Sunday morning KidMin is a place where your children are going to experience how FUN God is while being loved and cared for by our Third Church Family. One of the best gifts you can give your kids is to keep growing and we're trying to make it as easy as possible for parents/guardians to attend a worship service and be part of a neighborhood.

If wondering where your middle/high school student might land is getting in the way of your "yes", there will be an intergenerational neighborhood for them to plug into on Sundays. We would also encourage them to volunteer in a ministry area that interests them on Sunday mornings (i.e. Third Kids, Tech Team, the Café, etc.). If you would like to join other parents in this demographic, sign up for the Parents of Students Wednesday night neighborhood while your student(s) attends TheMIX or CORE.

If your travel schedule, snowbird status or having children on a club sports team is getting in the way of your "yes", you need to know that you still have a place in a neighborhood. Come when you're here and when you're traveling, we'll have a plan to keep you connected.



**GOD HAS HARD-WIRED
A LONGING IN ALL OF US FOR DEEP,
AUTHENTIC, REAL COMMUNITY.**

For those of you still feeling unsure about this, we get it. Adding one more thing to full lives or stepping into community, maybe for the first time, can feel like a big ask and a big risk. It's like that feeling of moving into your college dorm for the first time or leaving your beloved neighbors in one city to start over in a new one. But God has hard-wired a longing in all of us for deep, authentic, real community. He meets us when we say "yes" to discomfort and inconvenience as we venture towards new people and places with Him.



**GROWING PEOPLE
GROW PEOPLE.**

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF NEIGHBORHOODS?

Neighborhoods will be the primary place where we grow in our love for God and others as we live out our mission of “Every one every day helping one another experience life-giving freedom in Jesus”. Neighborhoods will enrich the way we “do church” on Sunday mornings.

2. WHAT CAN I EXPECT TO DO IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD?

We will TRAIN in our neighborhoods through teaching and guided discussions, activating the Word of God. We will BLESS one another in neighborhoods as we connect in life-giving, missional ways with radical hospitality. And finally, we’ll RECHARGE by seeking God’s presence through prayer, silence, worship and other practices to activate the Spirit of God to overflow into our everyday lives.

3. HOW ARE NEIGHBORHOODS DIFFERENT THAN CLASSES? SMALL GROUP?

The focus of classes is mostly training. The focus of small groups is mostly community. Neighborhoods will provide a more holistic discipleship experience as we activate the Word of God and the Spirit of God with the people of God.

4. WILL CLASSES AND SMALL GROUPS BE OFFERED?

Classes and small groups will not be offered this winter as we launch neighborhoods but will be offered again in the future.

5. WHY THE CHANGE?

Responses from a survey conducted at Third Church in 2023 revealed that those who were engaged in community self-reported being more connected to God and to others, essentially experiencing more of Jesus’ life-giving freedom. However, there is a lack of knowing and being known on one’s discipleship journey, particularly with those between ages 30-59. Neighborhoods are an opportunity for EVERY ONE to come together and connect with others as we experience Jesus’ life-giving freedom together.



6. WHEN DO NEIGHBORHOODS MEET AND HOW LONG WILL THEY LAST?

Most neighborhoods will meet on Sunday mornings at church and will last for about an hour. You are invited to COME and SEE the goodness of the Lord by attending a worship service then COME and STAY for neighborhood time. A few mid-week neighborhood opportunities are also available.

7. IS THERE CHILDCARE?

Yes! Come and Stay Sunday morning KidMin is a place where your children are going to experience how FUN God is while being loved and cared for by our Third Church Family. One of the best gifts you can give your kids is to keep growing in your faith and we're trying to make it as easy as possible for parents/guardians to attend a worship service and be part of a neighborhood.

8. WHAT OPTIONS ARE THERE FOR MY MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT?

Sunday Mornings—attend the Intentionally Intergenerational neighborhood together as a family. Or students are welcome to volunteer in an area of interest (Third Kids, Tech, Café, etc.).

Wednesday Evenings—students can attend theMIX or CORE.

9. CAN I BE IN MORE THAN ONE NEIGHBORHOOD?

Sure, but we suggest making one neighborhood your primary place.

10. HOW LONG WILL I BE IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD?

WHEN WILL THERE BE ON/OFF RAMPS?

Neighborhoods will align with the Sermon Series and, as the series changes, there will be opportunities to change neighborhoods approximately 3-4 times/year.



11. DO I HAVE TO GO TO MY NEIGHBORHOOD EVERY WEEK?

We believe that you're going to want to join your neighborhood every week as you get to know others and won't want to miss out. However, we understand that things come up so our invitation is to come when you are here.

12. WHAT IF I'VE ONLY BEEN COMING TO CHURCH FOR A SHORT TIME?

Whether you are starting to explore faith in God, are a new believer, or a long-time, committed follower of Jesus, we are all pursuing progress over perfection and it's our expectation that everyone who worships at Third Church would become part of a neighborhood. We invite everyone to come as you are, but don't expect to stay as you are—anticipate transformation!

13. WHAT IF I AM NOT CONNECTING WITH THE PEOPLE IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD?

The expectation is that we won't be BFFs with everyone in our neighborhood, and that's ok. We will have guidelines in place to keep neighborhood conversations authentic while being safe and fruitful. However, if a problem does arise, please don't hesitate to reach out to your facilitator.

14. ARE THERE OTHER BENEFITS (IN ADDITION TO DISCIPLESHIP) TO BEING PART OF A NEIGHBORHOOD?

Absolutely! Love good food and coffee? Coffee will be a part of every gathering with special food experiences also planned. Do you have an idea for outreach/mission? Let's talk and see if it's something we can do through your neighborhood. Need prayer or care? In addition to having at least one facilitator/leader, each neighborhood will have someone equipped to pray and a library of resources for pastoral care needs. And, the icing on the cake... we will provide a subscription to RightNow Media for everyone who is part of a neighborhood.

15. WILL NEIGHBORHOODS BE A PLACE WHERE I RECEIVE PASTORAL CARE?

Yes! Our incredible Care Team at Third is still available to help you navigate life's crises, but we anticipate neighborhoods will be a place where you can also lean in and receive care from the Body of Christ when walking through a valley. We anticipate being able to provide a more holistic way of care with both our staff and neighborhood communities.

16. WHAT DOES PREPARATION LOOK LIKE TO BE IN A NEIGHBORHOOD?

As a participant we're asking that you make a commitment to show up and engage with your neighborhood as often as possible. There may be enhancements to the teaching (i.e. reading, prayers, etc.) that you may be encouraged to do on your own, but these are not required.

If you are part of a leadership team in a neighborhood, our goal is to set you up for success with a weekly prep sheet that will have bridges between the sermon series and neighborhood conversations. If you are facilitating a group, curriculum and a leader's guide will be provided as well. We will have meetings to touch base with entire neighborhood leadership teams throughout the year to keep pulse on what's happening.

17. WHAT IF I TRAVEL A LOT, AM A SNOWBIRD OR HAVE CHILDREN ON CLUB SPORTS TEAMS AND CAN'T BE IN A NEIGHBORHOOD EACH WEEK?

We don't want travel schedules to get in the way of you growing in love for God and others. So, come when you're here and we'll have a plan to keep you connected if you're gone for a couple of days, weeks, or months.



BUT WAIT, THERE'S MORE!

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We will provide a subscription to RightNow Media for everyone who is part of a neighborhood. Enjoy free access to +25,000 Bible study videos—anytime, anywhere, from any device.



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