



## Top 10 Frequently Asked Questions about D-Time

### Q1. What is D-Time?

**A1.** "D-Time" is "Discipleship Time". The word "disciple" means "learner". Choosing to be a Christian disciple means we choose to learn about Christ throughout our lives, continually maturing in our understanding, and thereby in our faith. Beginning September 7, 2008, Bethany is setting aside an hour each Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. for learning time – Sunday School for all ages.

### Q2. Do we attend D-Time as a family?

**A2.** D-Time provides separate, age-appropriate learning opportunities:  
Pre-School (age 3 through pre-K) – Classrooms in the Preschool Wing  
Elementary Age (K-5<sup>th</sup> grade) – Classrooms in the Elementary Wing  
Middle School (Grades 6-8) - Wellness Center  
High School (Grades 9-12) - Youth Garage  
Adults - Family Life Center (west side of the building)

Parents are welcome to bring their infants and toddlers to Adult D-Time, or the nursery is available for infants up to age 2 if you prefer.

### Q3. What is the Sunday morning worship schedule?

**A3.** Traditional worship in the Chapel will begin at 7:45 a.m., followed by breakfast (sign up during 7:45 worship) and Bible study. Contemporary worship will be offered at 8:45 and 11:00 a.m., before and after D-Time, in the Worship Center.

### Q4. What do my young children do during worship?

**A4.** We believe it is important for families to worship together. All are welcome, including young children! If you prefer, the nursery will be open for infants through age 2. Bethany also has a Rocking Room available on the east side of the building where parents can see and hear worship while attending to the needs of their little ones. Activity backpacks are available on the east and west sides of the worship center. Ask any welcome team member to help you locate one for your child to use during worship.

### Q5. Is registration required?

**A5.** D-Time registration for preschool through high school is preferred, but drop-ins are always welcome! Printable registrations are available online: <http://www.bethany-lutheran.com/RegistrationForms> or you can pick one up at Bethany. Please complete and return to the Children and Youth Ministry office or your child's D-Time teacher. Adults do not need to register.

#### **Q6. What is D-Time for adults?**

**A6.** The format invites participants to open their Bibles and join the conversation! The first 8 weeks will introduce the Book of Faith initiative of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and will be led by the pastors. The Book of Faith initiative invites the whole church to become more fluent in the first language of faith, the language of Scripture, in order that we might live into our calling as a people renewed, enlivened, and empowered by the Word. You can read more about the initiative at <http://www.augsburgfortress.org/bookoffaith>. Future topics are being developed to run in approximately 8-week sessions.

Is there a charge for materials?

There is no charge for class materials. Just bring your Bible!

Is food available during class?

Continental breakfast will be available for a small charge.

What if I can't attend every week?

No problem! Come as often as you are able.

#### **Q7. Who will lead D-Time for children and youth?**

**A7.** Adults and high school students are needed to help lead D-Time for children through 5th grade. Specific opportunities are described on the D-Time Volunteer form on the Bethany web site. Visit <http://www.bethany-lutheran.com/RegistrationForms>. Please return the completed form to the Children's Ministry office at Bethany, or email [caryn.abington@bethany-lutheran.com](mailto:caryn.abington@bethany-lutheran.com). Adults who would like to help lead D-Time for youth in grade 6 and higher, please email [barb.baumert@bethany-lutheran.com](mailto:barb.baumert@bethany-lutheran.com). Anna Musselman will lead D-time for high school students, digging deeper into the scripture used in worship each Sunday.

#### **Q8. Does D-Time replace Wednesday night classes for children and youth?**

**A8.** No. AWANA for children in preschool through 5<sup>th</sup> grade and discipleship classes for middle school students begin September 10. High school DMD large group gatherings are generally on Sunday evenings. Informational brochures and registration forms can be found at <http://www.bethany-lutheran.com/RegistrationForms>

#### **Q9. Will D-Time include adult classes such as Financial Peace, Quest for Authentic Manhood, Love and Logic, and others?**

**A9.** No. These adult education opportunities will be offered primarily on Tuesday evenings. Check the Bethany web site for details. Upcoming classes include:

Love and Logic – Led by Barb Baumert – Begins Sept. 9 at 6:30 p.m.

Human Suffering – Led by Lowell Nelson – Sept. 16, 23 and 30 at 7:00 p.m.

Paul's Letters – Led by Lowell Nelson – Nov. 4, 11 and 18 at 7:00 p.m.

#### **Q10. What if I have more questions?**

**A10.** Let us know! Email [bethany@bethany-lutheran.com](mailto:bethany@bethany-lutheran.com) or call the church office at 289-4440.