

Sunday, October 5, 2014

**Community Event of Interest
at The Orchard**

**The Paradoxes and Challenges of
Christianity in the Postmodern Era:**

A Film & Discussion Series

Hosted by St. Vincent's & St. Mary of
the Crown Catholic Church

10/15 | 6-9 PM | The Gathering Center

The Passion of Joan of Arc

Following the film, discussion will center on why the faithful should or should not have confidence in their convictions concerning Divine "agency" in human history, in individuals who claim to articulate and embody the Divine Will, and in their own impulses to political activism.

Chad Klinger - chadklinger@gmail.com

Masquerade Ball 2014

Presented by: Project Radius ~

**A Community Creating Extraordinary
Moments & Enriching Lives of People with
Disabilities**

10/25 | 5 - 7 PM | The Orchard

\$20 Online | \$25 at the Door

Register at www.projectradius.org

Cindy - 815-302-0198

**Common Grounds
COFFEE SHOP**

Fresh Brewed Coffee | Tea | Espresso

Tons of Free Parking | Free WiFi

Private Board Room Available

Hours

Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday
7 AM - 4 PM

Friday | 7 AM - Noon

Sunday | 8 AM - Noon

Closed | Monday & Saturday

**Growth Group Meeting Sunday at The Orchard right after the Wor-
ship Gathering! 11 AM - noon | Room 206**



Jay & Roz Fowler and Steve & Connie Casey are leading this group and it is a great opportunity to be a part of a Growth Group and experience authentic community here at The Orchard.

FAMILY FX TODAY!

10:45 | KIDChurch Room

Fun For All Ages | A great Family Worship Experience

Jenny - Jenny@TheOrchardLife.com



GO . LEARN . LOVE.

Service Day at Harvest Farm in Fort Collins (www.harvestfarm.net)

October 24 & 25 | Adults & Students 14+ Welcome

Help run the fall festival with residents of the Fort Collins Rescue Mission's Rehabilitation Program. Sign up by 10/12

Operation Christmas Child Processing Center in Denver

12/6 | Limited Space Available

Kara - kara@theorchardlife.com | 970-379-4159.



Capture the Flag

10/9 | Sopris Park | 6:30-8:30

Dress Warm | Come Hungry | Bring Friends

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Maintenance Day

Saturday | 10/18 | 8-2 | Lunch Provided

We need to get the church ready for winter! Tasks for all ages and abilities even jobs for kids! Please sign up so we have enough food!

Jerry - jerry@theorchardlife.com



October Mission Family Focus

Remember to pray for the Denton Family serving with Outdoor Leadership.

**Did You Know that The Orchard has a Resource Library?
It's located upstairs next to the KIDChurch Room**



Wilderness Wandering

Scripture

Observation

Application

Prayer - Turn your scripture, observations and application insights into a prayer asking God to specifically bring about this word into your life today.

5x5

Day 1: Exodus 13

Day 2: Exodus 14

Day 3: Exodus 15

Day 4: Exodus 16

Day 5: Exodus 19

Notes:

Growth Group Questions

Have you ever run a race? How much preparation and training did you put in and how did it help? If asked to run a marathon a year from now, what would you start doing today?

Take some time to share “God is good” stories. What has He done in your life or through your life this past week?

Discuss the sermon – what struck you or stuck with you?

READ Exodus 3:7-10 Discuss the plight of God’s people and His heart for them. Do you have any circumstances right now that you are hoping for God to come to your rescue?

Leaving slavery, how prepared for the journey to the Promised Land were the Children of Israel? What would they need to learn for this journey? What are some “Promised Lands” in your life that you are hoping to reach? What are some ways you may be unprepared for the destination and journey?

READ Exodus 13:17&18 what location was God leading them towards and what was He going to reveal to them at this first stop? What is God showing them right here at the start?

What was the main reason for the Children of Israel wandering in the desert? Discuss the difference between what they were focused on and what God was focused on? How does this apply to your life and your focus during hard parts of the journey? At the end of the day, what is God working for in your life?

Talk about some past Wilderness Wandering seasons you’ve had; what did it feel like? How did it test your faith? How did it build your faith? Was it worth it in the end? What did you learn through your hardships? How are you different now because of all you’ve been through? **READ Hebrews 5:8** and discuss how this verse about Jesus has applied to your journey.

Growth Group Questions Continued

What kind of prayers and attitudes do you usually have during wilderness seasons? **READ Exodus 16:8** and discuss your attitude during the harder parts of your journey. What type of attitude should we have in light of God’s bigger plan?

Where in your life are you currently in the wilderness? What do you believe God is building in you during this time? Remember, while we are consumed with the place we are headed and the pace of the journey, God is focused on the process and the person you are becoming. With this in mind, how can you adjust your perspective and prayers to better learn His lessons along the way?

A Note On Funding The Orchard’s Vision & Mission

The offerings of the people committed to the Vision & Mission of The Orchard are what support our Ministry. We do not “pass the plate”. An offering box is located in front of the stained glass and at the rear of the auditorium or if you would like to give by credit/debit card there is a Giving Kiosk in the Gathering Center Entrance.

You may also give on-line or complete an envelope if you wish to give via credit/debit card.

September Total: \$45,522

August Budget \$64,500

YTD Received: \$533,262

YTD Budget: \$580,500