

Sunday, September 21, 2014

**Public Event of Interest at
The Orchard**

**Think & Act Conference ~ Person-Centered Strategies to Build Strong, Inclusive Schools and Communities
Presented by Peak Parent Center**

9/27 | 9 AM - 2 PM | \$35 | Lunch Provided | Spanish & Sign Language Interpretation Available

- For Self-Advocates, Families, Educators, Community Members & Advocates!
- Learn how to make belonging, respect and inclusion a reality in each person's life!
- Come to be inspired and to learn doable strategies for making a difference.

Register at <http://bit.ly/ThinkAct> or call 800-284-0251 x 117



Remember to pray for the Fulk Family serving in

Kampala, Uganda. Check out their blog for more info:

www.FollowingJesusToUganda.com

**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

Next Photo Opportunity is TODAY!

We will be taking family portraits for our connection wall after church in the Front Foyer!

**Growth Group Meeting Sunday at The Orchard right after the
Worship 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.

Roz - roz.fowler@msn.com



Living Water Healing Ministry

If you or someone you know needs healing, it would be our honor to pray for you.

9/23 | 6:30 - 8:30 PM | KIDChurch Room

Michelle - livingwater@theorchardlife.com

Feed My Sheep Needs Food!

Feed My Sheep Ministry needs single-serve type meals and snacks for their clients to take back to their camp in the evening once the day shelter closes. Items like tuna fish, soup, ramen, cup-o-soup, etc.... Their shelves are bare so let's Bring Life and restock them! Bring a bag (or two) of groceries next week and let's take a truckload to the day-shelter!

Melissa - melissa@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

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

The Orchard needs some plumbing help!

We have a project that requires someone with commercial plumbing experience. If you have some time to volunteer and can help in this way please contact, **Melissa - melissa@theorchardlife.com or 963-8773 x 105**

Wondering What Is Going On at The Orchard?

Go to our new interactive site!

<https://TheOrchardLife.ccbchurch.com>

View the Weekly Calendar & see what Groups are happening.

Also you can register for a log-in to access more information.

Melissa - melissa@theorchardlife.com

When writing checks to The Orchard, please use only blue or black ink.



Sacred: *Therefore...*

So you're a priest... now what?!

This week we look at what it means to take the calling of priesthood out of the church building and into the world around us.

Scary. Intimidating. Challenging. Sacred.

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.

Notes:

These verses apply to next weeks' sermon. As you use the SOAP method of bible study, give special attention to writing out the prayer.

Day 1: Exodus 16:1-31

Day 2: Matthew 6:25-34

Day 3: Proverbs 30:8-9

Day 4: John 6:22-59

Day 5: Exodus 16:32-36

Growth Group Questions

What was the most random or strange job you've ever had and what were your responsibilities.

Reflect back on the Sacred series; as a group can you recall the different elements of the Tabernacle from the outside moving in and what they symbolize?

Exodus 25:8-9

One of the most important things we discussed in this series was the idea of identity, that if you know WHO you are, you will live differently. In Sacred we learned, "I am a priest!" How does the reality of this identity make you feel? Do you ever truly think of yourself as a priest during the week? How does living in this reality/not living in this reality effected how you live?

1 Peter 2:5, 9, Revelation 1:5-6

Sunday Daniel gave us a teaching on what it means to be a priest OUTSIDE of the church building. Reflect on Sunday, what struck you the most about what it means to be a priest in your life?

Discuss the word "PRIEST" and what was taught. Start with "P" and go through each letter and what it means for us.

P - _____

Jeremiah 29:13, Deuteronomy 4:24, Psalm 105:4

How are you doing in your pursuit of God above all things? What could you be pursuing above Him and what do you need to adjust? Or perhaps there's just a lack of pursuit, what would God ask of you?

R - _____

1 John 1:9, Hebrews 12:1

Do you live in a pattern of repentance? Are their lingering issues that you do not deal with that you would discuss with the group? Need to repent (James 5:16)?

Growth Group Questions Continued

I - _____

Exodus 25:37, Matthew 5:14-16

What would people around you say you illuminate most? What would it look like in your life if you illuminated Jesus above everything else?

E - _____

Matthew 6:33, James 1:6-7, Malachi 3:10, Psalm 5:3, Mark 11:24

What do you expect from God on a daily basis if anything? What is something big you are waiting on God for? What are some areas in your life that you have given up expecting God to act?

S - _____

Psalm 105:1-3, Hebrews 11:15, Mark 16:15, Romans 1:16, 1 Peter 3:15

Do you speak up about God when an opportunity arises? What stops you and why? Who are some people God has in your life that He would want you to speak His goodness to?

T - _____

Matthew 28:18-20, Colossians 3:16, Hebrews 10:24-25

Part of being a priest is training and raising up other priests. Are you being mentored and/or mentoring someone? Is there someone in your life that you are discipling and leading to live more like Jesus?

Growth Groups, living as a Jesus follower inside the building isn't enough, God gave us a sacred calling to be priests to a world that needs Him. What would it look like in your world if you took this calling as your first priority in life? How would your life be different? What is the worst that could happen if you did this? What is the best possible outcome?

Pray as a group that God would give us boldness to carry His ministry and presence into our daily lives. Pray for those who have people to speak to this week.

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: \$25,394

August Budget \$64,500

YTD Received: \$516,134

YTD Budget: \$580,500