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Monday

September 14th

8:00 – 9:15 pm

on Zoom.

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The Alpha Program is Growing Like *Fire*

After three successful programs over the past two plus years, interrupted by no less than a worldwide pandemic, the St. Mark Alpha program is rolling forward on fire with the Holy Spirit.

To review, Alpha is a series of evening meetings about answering the key questions of life ... why am I here and where am I going, searching together for answers and a deeper understanding of the Christian message. For 75 minutes each week, running for 11-weeks, each night entails a short video, and substantive discussions in comfortable small groups for a challenging review of the basics of the Christian faith. New ways of thinking about prayer and friendship with God have real benefits – peaceful hearts, connecting with others in faith, sorting through tough questions together, calming stresses, and drawing closer to the Lord through the Holy Spirit.

Alpha at **ST MARK** started with large, face-to-face evenings (complete with songs, meals, prayers, hugs) but had to adjust to social distancing and a Zoom format. Adjust it did. With a can-do spirit, the basics were modified, and Alpha moved forward for the current online series.

For online Alpha, members join in the safety and comfort of home, settle in at a computer, tablet or smart phone, and engage in the Alpha presentations, videos, and discussions. Although dispersed in space, they experienced Alpha with better viewing, better listening, and full small group discussions. Whether future Alpha series are back to in-person basics or using the new Zoom format, Alpha is on fire and moving forward.

Whether a pre or post-virus world, everyone is faced with limited time for anything outside of work and family. Alpha, in whatever format, makes participation as simple as possible. No fuss, no fees, no requirements, and the benefits are out of this world. The next series will start on Monday Sept. 14th from 8:00 – 9:15 pm on Zoom. Join us.

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