



# Alpha & Beyond Alpha

... EXPERIENCE THE EXCITEMENT!

Everyone is welcome at the **Alpha Course**, where the Christian faith is explored in a no-pressure, relaxed atmosphere. Alpha introduces the basics of the Christian faith:

- Who is Jesus?
- Why did Jesus die?
- How can I be sure of my faith?

Whether you are a first-time guest looking for a place to ask your questions about God, a newcomer to Friendship, or you are following a connection-to-membership path, Alpha is the place for you.

**Done Alpha? Beyond Alpha** is the next step. Join us as we dig into God's Word in a facilitator led discussion and explore critical topics; Jesus, Bible, Communion... Enjoy dinner and worship together with Alpha before breaking into the Beyond Alpha study.



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"But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect."

*1Peter 3:15*

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of *Friendship Church*



**A WEEKLY, INTERACTIVE  
DISCUSSION ABOUT CHRISTIANITY...**

# Our Mission

... INVITING PEOPLE TO EXPLORE THE  
CHRISTIAN FAITH AND ENCOURAGE BELIEVERS  
AS THEY MATURE IN THEIR FAITH.

### Join Us:

Alpha Courses usually start in September and January.

*\*See our website for specific start dates.*

### What to Expect:

The Alpha course is a ten-week opportunity to explore the validity and relevance of the Christian faith to your life today. It is a practical introduction to the basics of Christianity centered around a meal, a talk and small group discussion.

Family-style meal *(Adults \$5.00, children \$3.00; childcare provided)*

Worship

Lesson and laughter

Dessert and fellowship

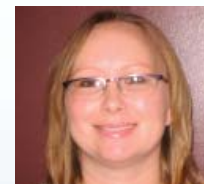
### Alpha Retreat:

One all-day retreat per session usually held mid-way through course.

*I cannot begin to describe how it feels to see people grow in their relationship with Christ, and watch how the Lord works in them. I've made many friends as a direct result of the Alpha course and my relationship with Jesus keeps getting stronger and stronger.*



- Rick Tietz  
(Alpha Small Group Leader)



- Lara Durkot  
(Alpha Participant)

*Attending the Alpha course changed my life. I had so many question about God and church. I felt safe enough to ask them and not only did I get answers, I accepted Jesus as my Lord and Savior. My life is a gift and now I treat it like that!*

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