

service times

Main Services

Saturdays at 5:00pm and 7:00pm
Sundays at 9:00am and 11:00am

First Wednesday Service

The first Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm

Sign Language Interpretation
Sundays at 11:00am

Spanish Translation

Saturdays at 7:00pm
Sundays at 9:00am

Crossing Kids

(Birth - 5th grade)

Available during all Main Service times

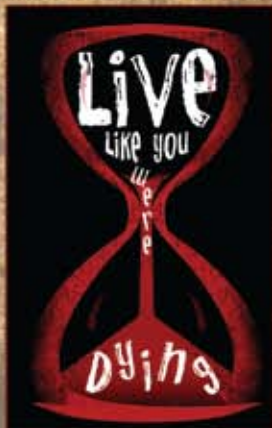


Church Office Hours:
Monday - Thursday 9am - 5pm

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Tampa, FL 33619-6608

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Website: www.crossingonline.org

NEW SERIES STARTS IN MAY



Community Prayer

All Church Gathering
(Main Sanctuary):
Saturday @ 6:15pm
Sunday @ 8:00am

All Day Opportunities
(26.2 LifeGroup Cafe):
Mon - Thurs 6:30am - 7:00pm

Hosted Opportunities
(26.2 LifeGroup Cafe):
Mon - Thurs 6:30am - 8:00am
& 11:30am - 1:00pm

Student Ministries

(Services are held in "The Rock")

EmergeJV (6th-8th Grade)
Saturdays at 5:00 pm

Emerge (9th-12th Grade)
Wednesdays at 7:00pm
Doors open at 6:00pm

God is...

week 6





Welcome to The Crossing Church!

Last week, we had another opportunity to gain more understanding of God's unconditional love. It is overwhelming, and the more we learn about it, the more amazing it truly is. As we continue to examine more of who God is, both on a personal and corporate level, we desire to experience more of Him in our time together and also throughout the week. We are so glad that you are here and trust that you will enjoy God's presence today!

In Him,
Greg and Tamara Dumas

Baby Dedications!

The next Baby Dedication will be on Saturday May 10th at the 5:00pm service. Information and reservation forms are available at the children's "BOAT" or the information center in the lobby. Reservations are required for this event. Deadline for registration is this Sunday, April 27th. Please contact Alicia Miller at 813-626-0783 ext. 131 for more information.

5th - 8th Graders, Get Ready for Camp!

We are inviting all 5th - 8th graders to Student Life camp in Talladega, Alabama at Shocco Springs Baptist Conference Center! Camp will take place from June 5th - 8th, so be sure to get your deposit in by April 27th for the early bird discount! You can pick up a packet with all the info at The Rock or contact Keri at kladouceur@crossingonline.org or 813-626-0783 ext. 158.

Emerge JV Volunteers Needed!

If you have a heart to see middle school student's fall in love with their Savior, and you are looking for a place to get involved, EmERGE JV is calling you! There are many positions in which you can serve! Right now, we are looking for willing volunteers to serve in the areas of check-in, greeters and security. If you are interested, please e-mail us at emergejv@crossingonline.org. Training is included for all positions!

PreMarital Class

Planning a wedding? Our pre-marital class is designed to provide you with the tools you need to have a successful marriage. If you are engaged to be married or even just thinking about it, this class is for you. This class will take place on Friday, May 2nd (7:00pm - 9:00pm) through Saturday, May 3rd (9:00am - 2:00pm). The cost is \$60 per couple, and the class will be facilitated by Tim & Jodie Gregory. Childcare is not provided. Please register online at www.crossingonline.org.

Have You Started Your Race??

The 26.2 Spiritual Race is intricately designed with you in mind! Through the six different 26.2 experiences, you will have the opportunity to learn more about The Crossing and its leadership, become involved in a LifeGroup and understand more about the different gifts that you have been given. Many of you have already gotten involved, but we want to encourage those who have not yet started to join in the race! In order to learn more and know your next step, please visit the 26.2 LifeGroup Café in the lobby to speak with one of our Community Leaders. Registration for Warm-Up, Starting Line, Mile One and Pushing Through are all open right now! Check out the "26.2 Spiritual Race" section on the opposite page for more information. You can also find more information on 26.2 by visiting www.crossingonline.org/262

Missions Corner

How Do I Sign Up To Serve In Missions?

For more information please visit the information center and fill out a Missions Application, fill out the Connection Card in your bulletin by checking "MISSIONS" or contact Norris Brown, Director of Missions of the Crossing Church at wmb2@tampabay.rr.com or Scott Phipps, Director of World Missions at sdhipps@tampabay.rr.com. More information can be found on our website at www.crossingonline.org/missions

Local Missions Opportunity!

The Missions Department has an opportunity for someone with a heart for local missions. For more information and details please contact Norris Brown, Director of Missions of the Crossing Church at wmb2@tampabay.rr.com or Scott Phipps, Director of World Missions at sdhipps@tampabay.rr.com

Team Members Wanted!!!

Want an opportunity to serve in Missions and stay stateside? Donn and Julie Hobbs are accepting applications to take a team to Louisville, KY to work with an inner-city church. This would be a great chance this summer for you to participate in a one week short-term team experience! For more information contact Donn and Julie at djghobbs4@aol.com or call them at 813-784-2710.

Ghana 2008

Applications are still being accepted through May 11th for the mission trip to Ghana, Africa. This team will be ministering to children, doing construction & painting, evangelism and sharing in a local church. Dates for this trip will be October 2nd 13th and team meetings will be starting soon. For more information please contact Mary Ellen Stopke at mestpa@verizon.net or Robert Williams at mrmwms@hotmail.com

Local Volunteers Needed

South Tampa Health and Rehab will be holding a Mother's Day and Father's day event and is looking for help. If interested please contact Joe and Cathy Miles at cjmiles13@aol.com or by phone at 813-908-2015.

Upcoming Events

English as a Foreign Language class will be on May 2nd (6:30pm-9:30pm) and 3rd (8:00am-3:30pm) here at The Crossing. For more information or registration, please contact Mary H. Suralis at mhizaya4051@verizon.net

26.2 Spiritual Race



WARM UP

Our "Warm-Up" lunch is the best place to meet Pastor Greg Dumas, his wife Tamara and the staff, find out about The Crossing Church and the next steps for getting connected! The next "Warm-Up" will be held on Sunday, May 18th at 12:30pm in the Rock (located behind the main church building). Please register online at www.crossingonline.org or contact Lori Fredriksen at lfredriksen@crossingonline.org or 813-626-0783 ext. 114. Registration closes on Sunday, May 11th.

STARTING LINE

Our "Starting Line" experience is a place to learn the lifestyle and belief statements of The Crossing, get connected to a LifeGroup and sign on as a Team Member. Register for the next "Starting Line" experience Saturday, May 17th from 8:30am - 1:00pm (prerequisite: "Warm-Up"). Online registration is available at www.crossingonline.org. Childcare is provided for children from birth - 9yrs old. Cost is \$5.00 per person, lunch and materials are provided.

MILE ONE

"Mile One" is a ministry designed to help each member discover how their personality, gifts, abilities, passions, and life experiences can all be used to serve others. "Mile One" sets the pace for living your life to the fullest by finding what God has created you to do (Philippians 3:13, 14) (prerequisites: "Warm-Up" and "Starting Line") which will be held on Saturday, May 17th, 2008 from 8:30am - 3:00pm in the main auditorium. You can register online at www.crossingonline.org. Childcare is provided for children from birth - 9yrs old. Cost is \$5.00 per person, lunch and materials are provided.

PUSHING THROUGH

"Pushing Through", the fourth mile-marker in our 26.2 Spiritual Race, is a 5-hour workshop where you will learn to have a faith life that thrives when the excitement of "Race Day" wears off! The next "Pushing Through" will be held on Saturday, May 17th and the cost is \$5.00 per person (prerequisites: "Warm-Up", "Starting Line" and "Mile One"). Please feel free to register online at www.crossingonline.org. Childcare and lunch will be provided with pre-registration for your children ages birth - 9 years.

III. New Age Religion

1 Timothy 3-4:5

- The Church: *Matthew 16:18-19*
- The Jealousy of God: *Exodus 34:14-15*
- Jesus The Only Way: *John 14:6;*
Romans 1, 2:11-16

WELCOME

Saturday April 26, and

Sunday, April 27, 2008

God is... 6 of 6

“Trinity”

Lead Pastor Greg Dumas

The Nicene Creed

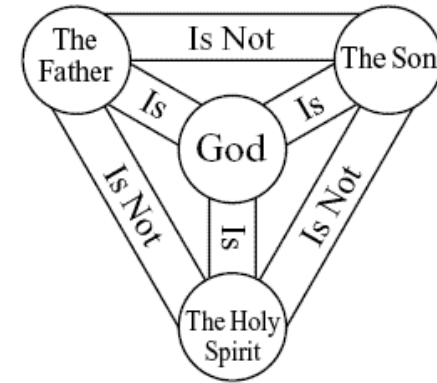
We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen. [You see why the *seen* is in there? He made the physical universe, too.] We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light. True God from True God, begotten, not made [that's what Arias was saying] of one being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven. By the power of the Holy Spirit, He became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, was made man. For our sake, He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death, and He was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son, He is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sin. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

I. The Historical account of Christ in Trinity

- *Luke 1:35*
- *1 John 1:1-4*
- *John 1:1-2*
- *Colossians 1:13–20*
- *Colossians 2:8–10*
- *John 14:15–18, 23–24*

II. The Nature of the Trinity

- *John 14:23-24*
- *Matthew 28:19*
- **God exists as One “What” and Three “Whos”:
God who is the Father, Son and Holy Spirit**
- **Jesus is further distinguished as One “Who”
and Two “Whats”:
God who is both God and Man**



Trinity

A word not found in Scripture, but used to express the doctrine of the unity of God as subsisting in three distinct Persons. This word is derived from the Greek. Trias, first used by Theophilus (A.D. 168-183), or from the Latin. Trinitas, first used by Tertullian (A.D. 220), to express this doctrine. The propositions involved in the doctrine are these:

1. That God is one, and that there is but one God (Deuteronomy 6:4; 1 Kings 8:60; Isaiah 44:6; Mark 12:29, 32; John 10:30).
2. That the Father is a distinct divine Person (hypostasis, subsistentia, persona, suppositum intellectuale), distinct from the Son and the Holy Spirit.
3. That Jesus Christ was truly God, and yet was a Person distinct from the Father and the Holy Spirit.
4. That the Holy Spirit is also a distinct divine Person.

—Easton's Illustrated Dictionary