

## HALLELUJAH MOMENT

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*Brechin's Core Values Statement includes the following: "As people loved by God and as followers of Jesus we , , , (seek to) grow in our Christian faith through . . . prayer and learning opportunities . . . "*

Experience has shown that one of the ways to build community is through interaction with others in small groups. In a safe environment we are able to express our thoughts, feelings and hopes and get to know each other at a deeper level. It is one of the ways we can grow both intellectually and spiritually.

The Thursday afternoon study group offers an opportunity for participants to connect with each other and to explore the complex society in which we live. There are always lots of questions as the group seeks to find some of the answers. Everyone is welcome. The group meets at 2:00 in the afternoon for approximately one and a half hours.

Over the years the group has engaged in the study of a number of topics, such as the wonder and care of creation, progressive Christianity, ways to live responsibly and care for our earthly home, the Bible and theology. These have usually been DVD series featuring renowned thinkers and scholars and occasionally there have also been book studies. We live in a complex society and the problems we face are many, not the least of which is how to create a peaceful, just and compassionate world . The goal is always to discern how to make a positive difference in our world. If you have a topic you would like to suggest, new ideas are always welcome.

Through our weekly offerings for both local and the Mission and Service funds we are able to provide these Hallelujah moments. Thank you for your generous gifts which help to make this happen.