

## NURTURING NEW COMMUNITIES: BEER NERDS

What could it look like to imagine your passions and hobbies as ways to connect with neighbors about faith questions?

"The Beer Nerds are a Fresh Expression that meets at 5th Street Pub in Perrysburg on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. Each time we meet we taste and learn about a flight of four beers and then enjoy a time of fellowship. We started in late 2021 with myself and 4 members of Faith United Lutheran Church. Currently, we have a dozen plus members of the group with only the original five being from Faith United. At the present time, the group is focused solely on building relationships and community. Over the summer, I plan to introduce prayer to some select gatherings and invite people into deeper expressions of community."

**Pastor Tom Schaeffer**



"We meet at Patron Saints every other Thursday at 6:30-7:30. I usually have some questions I'll ask those who show up, typically theologically related. But the goal is for people to come with their own questions about God, and this space is meant to be a safe area to wrestle through what it means to be Christian, Lutheran, etc. together..."

**George Benson**