



THE CHAPEL Weekly

January 15, 2023

BIBLE STUDY

Sunday 9:45 am Bible classes:

Lower Level

Weekly Readings 9:45 am Room #9
Children's Sunday School Room #2 & #4
Senior High Youth Room
Youth Confirmation Room #8

Upper Level

Luther's Large Catechism Room A,

Woman's Bible study

1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 10:00 am
Unshakable Hope
A study by Max Lucado – Room #8

Wednesday 6:30 pm

Hebrews Room #8.
Lesson #4 Chapter 4:14-5:10 is now available at the Commons Display.

Announcements

Lutheran Witness: It's time for the renewal of your Lutheran Witness subscription for 2021-2022. If you would like to order or renew, please remit \$19.20 to the church office by Friday, January 20.

Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars: Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have available Choice Dollars may direct Choice Dollars for the ministry of Chapel of the Cross. Don't miss this opportunity to recommend that Thrivent Financial provide outreach funding to Chapel! Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more. Or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

Flowers for the Sanctuary: The 2023 flower chart is posted in the hallway near the elevator. Those who wish to donate flowers (in honor or in memory of a loved one) are encouraged to sign up. Due to rising costs at the florist Center pieces are **\$45** each starting in 2023. Roses are \$10 each. Checks or cash can be placed in the offering plate in one of the special envelopes in the pew racks. Let's beautify our chancel area as many Sundays as possible!

Silent Auction and Trivia Night: Saturday March 4, 2023, we are supporting *Lutheran Bible Translators, Helping Hands Food Pantry, and L.A.M.P. Lutheran Association of Missionaries & Pilots*. Speak with Bill Rusnak as we still need various workers, players in tables of 8, and silent auction items as donations. All proceeds will support these three Mission and Outreach organizations. Find fliers to promote, Registration forms, and a Worker's Sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center. Sign up for your table, or as an individual, and consider joining the team! Help us promote this event in support of our Mission Emphases.

Summer Camp Counselors Needed: 2023 Chapel Summer Camp is May 30 through August 4. We are now accepting applications from anyone interested in being a counselor this summer. Applicants must be at least graduating high school seniors. Please contact Summer Camp Interim Director, Bill Rusnak, to get your application, ask questions, or for more information.

Thank you for all your prayers and cards, Ken Kreitner.

In Our Prayers this week...

Those with Health Concerns:

Jan Arban
Joan Arban
Vivian Berry
Loretta Bolar (*cousin of Alexis Cunningham*)
Tanjila Bolden
Mardell Brown (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
Sharon Casey (*friend of Julie Griffith*)
Elizabeth Cash
Ivy Rose Clark (*relative of Alexis Cunningham*)
Kim Cunningham (*daughter-in-law to Alexis Cunningham*)
Robert Cunningham III
Donna Dansberry (*sister of Alexis Cunningham*)
Carolyn Delohi (*friend of Roberta & Manfred Loesch*)
Linda Edgington
Cheryl Ehmke
Fred Fansin
Kymm Fehrs
Aulderay Fields
Brene Freeman (*relative of Alexis Cunningham*)
David Funke
Susanna Gregory (*daughter of Gale Damm*)
James Haas (*grandson of Bill & Marilyn Miller*)
Carolyn Hanneman
Darryal Hughes (*cousin of Aulderay Fields*)
Diane Hurst (*friend of Diane Timm*)
Angela Jones (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
Jordan Jones (*friend of Ervin Wilson*)
Jimmie Jordan (*brother of John Jordan*)

Linda Keeney (*friend of Nancy Swoboda*)
Jamie Kirkpatrick (*grandson of Audrey Luedtke*)
Marilyn Koester (*Diane Timm's cousin*)
Ken Kreitner
Joyce Lackey
Bella Matakas (*niece of Ken Gerler*)
Elsie Meyer
Katy Moran (*friend of Jon Rogers*)
Ethel Moreau (*friend of Audrey Luedtke*)
Greg Pellegrino (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Leona Pellegrino (*god-daughter of Alexis Cunningham*)
Darold Pendleton (*nephew of Georgia Thomas*)
Ethel Pierce (*food pantry*)
Meagan Purcell
Karen Rae (*relative of Maire Trelz*)
Bill Rueckert
Kelly Schlautmann (*food pantry*)
Henry Scott (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
Stef Sims (*friend of Diane Timm*)
Agnes Soll (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)
Johnnie Spears
Sandy Stephens (*friend of Nancy Swoboda*)
Dale Ternaprovich (*brother of Joyce Lackey*)
Lou Terry (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Jean Thomas
Jerome Tomlin (*cousin of Alexis Cunningham*)
Ola's Ugobo (*friend of Robert Cunningham*)
Lionel Ward (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Hsea Wells (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Carol Whiteaker (*cousin of Mark Petersen*)
Aldorin Williams (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)

Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer:

Terry Balke (*Cheryl Balkes brother*)
Jay Bentzinger (*friend of Nancy Swoboda*)
Tammy Bushman (*daughter of Mike and Jean Mueller*)
Lisa Capehart (*niece of Art Williams*)
Judy Christian (*Rick and Lynda Christian's sister-in-law*)
Jane Curran (*friend of Karen Schaeffer*)
Mike Datillo (*uncle of Jayme Zvirgzdins*)
Mike Dunn (*uncle of Rick Christian*)
Betty Endsley (*mother of Marcy Oliver*)
Diane Goetz-Jordan (*step-daughter of Keith Wetzel*)
Agnes Gray (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)
Tom Hetrick (*nephew of Audrey Luedtke*)
Justin Hodge (*friend of Jon Rogers*)
Tom Krauter, Jr. (*son of Tom Krauter*)
Cheryl Linton (*sister-in-law of Joseph Miano*)
Gary Mantei
Mary Oberman (*friend of Lisa Hager*)
Marc Openlander (*grandson of Art Williams*)
Martin Rodgers (*cousin of Jerri Bolden*)
Ellen Saville (*friend of Keith Neuber*)
Arrion Soll (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)
Candy Summers (*friend of Jayme Zvirgzdins*)
Marilyn-Madison Stinebaugh (*friend of Bill & Marilyn Miller*)
Vicki Williams (*daughter of Bill & Grace Green*)
Bob Woodward (*uncle of Jerry Bowen*)
Norma Young (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Thrivent Members: In preparation for Summer Camp 2023, we are needing 10 to 12 Thrivent Action Team gift cards for specific areas. If you are willing to help in this way speak with Bill Rusnak in the weeks ahead!

Calling of Associate Pastor: The departure of Pastor Marriott this summer has made it clear that additional pastoral assistance is needed. After a comprehensive look at the options, the Personnel Committee believes that a Seminary Call is the best approach. The Seminary's process requires applications be submitted by February 1, 2023, with interviews of potential candidates occurring in January and February. If God leads the Call Committee to a potential candidate, a meeting of the Voters' Assembly will be held to discuss the candidate and vote on whether to extend a Call. This is a short timeline, and we trust that you appreciate the need for swift action.

Copies of the Job Description developed by the Personnel Committee are available at the Welcome Center with contact information for the Call Committee. We encourage you to reach out to discuss this exciting and important process for our congregation. Most importantly, we ask you to pray for God's direction and guiding hand to the Call Committee and for our congregation as we chart the future. We will be providing regular updates on the process as it unfolds.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

New Sunday Morning Study:

Rev. Ellory Glenn will lead a study of Luther's Large Catechism in Room A beginning on Sunday, 1/8/23. Please sign up at the Welcome Center for materials and preparations for attendance.

GriefShare: The next cycle of GriefShare starts Tuesday, January 3, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., and Thursday, January 5, from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. If you have lost a loved one, we hope you will consider exploring the hope and healing that GriefShare has offered to so many others. If you know of someone in a grief situation, tell them about special ministry. It doesn't matter how long ago the loss has been. Contact Bill Rusnak for more information (741-3737).

LIFE TEAM:

Abortion and assisted suicide lead many astray after lies. They promise deliverance but only provide destruction. How much more blessed to trust the Lord to sustain us unto the end? Can He secure us the life we seek even in surprise pregnancy or terminal diagnosis? Come and see-and then courageously proclaim His faithful salvation!

We know that God cherishes life at all stages, from embryo to infant to toddler to teenager to adult to old age. Each week during 2023, the Life Team will be recognizing the birthdays of our older members at Chapel of the Cross. If we miss your birthday or if we have the wrong date, please call the church office to get our records corrected. This week, we recognize the birthdays of the following:

Gale Damm – January 20
Ruth Funck – January 21
Jon Havens – January 21
Connie Johnson – January 22
Donald Auer – January 23
Karen Dietrich – January 23

M*A*P*P GOD'S WORD

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

Romans 8:15- "For you have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but you have received the Spirit of adoption, by which we cry, Abba, Father."

Coming up at Chapel

Monday, January 16

Office closed

Tuesday, January 17

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study
2:00 PM GriefShare

Wednesday, January 18

6:30 PM Bible Study
6:30 PM Children's Handbells
7:30 PM Chapel Bells

Thursday, January 19

6:30 PM GriefShare
7:30 PM Choral Singers

Saturday, January 21

5:00 PM Worship service

Sunday, January 22

8:30 AM Worship Service
9:45 AM Youth & Adult Bible Study
11:00 AM Worship Service

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

John 1:29 – "The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!'"

The Israelites of old offered a lamb to God at Passover so that death might pass over them and do no harm. Over those long centuries of sacrifice, did they understand that this was actually God's gift? That God would be the true Giver of the true Lamb? Truly, we can never out-give God, for all that we have is His.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (1/8/2023):

- Worship: 187 and 9 visitors

Last week's offering (1/8/2023):

- General Fund: \$14,735
- Building / Capital Fund: \$1,684
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$73

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$24,317
- Building / Capital Fund: \$2,644

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$28,548
- Building / Capital Fund: \$3,482

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