

THE CHAPEL Weekly



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Living in faith, hope, and love

January 26, 2025

BIBLE STUDY

Sunday 9:45 am Bible classes: Lower Level

The Epistle from the Weekly
Readings-Room 9

Children's Sunday School- Room 2 & 4

Youth Confirmation- Room 8

Senior High- Youth Room

Announcements

Please stop by the Life Area this Sunday morning, January 26th, to get a muffin and coffee, and join us for a special Bible Study in Room 9. In the Life area, you will find many books and videos that can be borrowed and brochures that can be taken. They cover many topics, including; end of life decisions, mental health, assisted suicide, human trafficking, bioethics, marriage, living together, unplanned pregnancy, conception, adoption, family planning, abortion pill reversal, and many more. Perhaps you or somebody you know has issues related to one of these topics or you just want to learn more about them. Please feel free to look for what you need and if you need help finding specific resources, you can email us at office@chapelofthecross.org. Thank you!

Silent Auction and Trivia Night: Saturday March 8, 2025, we are supporting our Youth attending the National *Lutheran Youth Gathering!* Speak with Bill Rusnak as we still need various workers, players in tables of 8, and silent auction items as donation solicitors are needed. Request letters, posters, Registration forms, and Worker's Sign-up sheets are at the Welcome Center. Sign up for your table, or as an individual! Cost \$15 per person or \$120 for a table of eight. Doors open at 5:30 pm the game starts at 6:30 pm

Lutheran Witness: It's time for the renewal of your Lutheran Witness subscription for 2025-2026. If you would like to order or renew, please remit \$20.65 to the church office by today!

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry: We will be collecting items in the welcome center throughout the year for the Shoebox ministry You are welcome to bring any items at any time, however we will highlight some ideas throughout the year. The items for January and February are: Warm Items: hats, gloves, scarves, warm socks. Fashion Accessories: sunglasses, sun hat, baseball cap, bracelet, necklaces.

Chapel Men's next First Friday lunch will be Friday, February 7 at 11 a.m. at Fast Eddies. All men are welcome to attend!

In Our Prayers this week...

Those with Health Concerns:

Curtis Balan (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Regina Banks (*friend of Adrienne Burton*)
Steve Becker (*friend of John Zvirgzdins*)
Tanjila Bolden
Lydia Brown (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
Mardell Brown (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
Cheryl Bush (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)
Ivy Rose Clark (*relative of Alexis Cunningham*)
Sharon Cole (*friend of Gail Shultz*)
Gary Crane (*friend of Gail Shultz*)
Morgan Cunningham (*friend of Jon Rogers*)
Robert Cunningham III
Clyde Dempsey (*father of Julie Seibert*)
Shari Lou Eakins (*friend of Jon Rogers*)
Linda Edgington
Aulderay Fields
Darlene Franklin (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
John Gassner (*cousin of Gloria Uttley*)
Susanna Gregory (*daughter of Gale Damm*)
Carolyn Hanneman
Rita Hayes (*sister of Jim Crosier*)
Donna Heinrich
Nancy Hissaw (*friend of Adrienne Burton*)
Virgil Hoffmann
Dennis Iborg (*brother-in-law of Dawn Iborg*)
Dawn Iborg
Marlo Johnson
Jordan Jones (*friend of Ervin Wilson*)
Frank Jones (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Paul Kelly (*father of Rosilyn Cunningham*)
Ali Kloppenburg (*daughter-in-law of Denis and Jan Kloppenburg*)
Joyce Lackey

Milo Lombard
Pam Mains
Arminius Matthews (*son of Alicia Harris*)
Joe Miano, Sr. (*father of Joe Miano*)
Patricia Miano (*mother of Joe Miano*)
Jerry Mierkowski (*friend of Nancy Swoboda*)
Joan Milligan (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Peggy Miller
Daryl Mitchell (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Ashley Mosley (*daughter-in-law of Frank & Bessie Mosley*)
Brandie Mosley
Iris Outlaw (*sister of Alexis Cunningham*)
Karen Rae (*relative of Maire Trelz*)
Valencia Robinson (*sister of Adrienne Burton*)
Rosilyn Cunningham Schmitt (*mother of Robert Cunningham*)
Jill Seibert (*mother of Steve Seibert*)
Jim Seibert (*father of Steve Seibert*)
Edna Shanklin (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Gail Shultz
John Simon
Agnes Soll (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)
Johnnie Spears
Linda Taylor
Dale Ternaprovich (*brother of Joyce Lackey*)
Jean Thomas
Michael Tohl (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Ariel Wagner (*daughter of Keith and Sandy Otto*)
Stephanie Wallace
Mickie Wallerstein (*friend of Bill & Marilyn Miller*)
Eric Williams (*son of Betty and Les Williams*)
Celita White (*co-worker of John Jordan*)
George Zvirgzdins

Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer:

Rick Bales (*friend of Don Albers & Karen Totra*)
Jay Bentzinger (*friend of Nancy Swoboda*)
Tammy Bushman (*daughter of Mike & Jean Mueller*)
Lisa Capehart (*niece of Art Williams*)
Bob Crecelius (*brother of Roy Crecelius*)
Jane Curran (*friend of Karen Schaeffer*)
Phyllis Davidson (*friend of Carole Lehner*)
Sue Gassner (*cousin of Gloria Uttley*)
Diane Goetz-Jordan (*step-daughter of Keith Wetzel*)
Janet Goldsboro (*cousin of Marilyn Miller*)
Karin Hornig (*sister of Doris Truetken*)
Jim Huntley (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Bianca Jackson (*friend of Vernida Summers*)
Crystal Jackson (*niece of Johnnie Spears*)
Linda Jones (*cousin of Marilyn Miller*)
Tom Krauter, Jr. (*son of Tom Krauter*)
Cheryl Linton (*sister-in-law of Joseph Miano*)
Amy Marler (*friend of Caroline Moss*)
Martin Rodgers (*cousin of Jerri Bolden*)
Ellen Saville (*friend of Keith Neuber*)
Christine Schwepker (*friend of Don Albers & Karen Totra*)
Arrion Soll (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)
Candy Summers (*friend of Jayme Zvirgzdins*)
Vernida Summers

Those Who Celebrate:

Audrey Luedtke and her family as she celebrates her 97th birthday on January 26th.

Those Who Mourn: Kathleen Stahlhut and family as they mourn the loss of her nephew, Patrick Dilloway on the 19th and Robert Thompson her cousin on the 20th.

The Elder of the Weekend leads prayer in the Prayer Chapel at 10:45 a.m. each Sunday for those on the prayer list. All are welcome to join him. Please also take the opportunity to pray for those on the prayer list during the week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Mary-Martha Guild will hold its next meeting on February 10. Vicar Samuel Wondemu will be our guest speaker. We will also have a Soup Supper and refreshments that evening. This will be followed by a business meeting. Please join us for good food and fellowship.

LAMP Mission Trip: Have you ever thought of participating in a short term mission trip? We need YOU. Teams are now forming for the summer LAMP mission trip. The dates of this summer's trip are: July 30- August 11. Please come to an informational meeting on Sunday, February 9 at noon to learn more. A light lunch will be served. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please call Mike or Ellen Kehe for more information . (314)607-3735, (314)607-3734. Thank you!

BIBLE STUDY

Chapel of the Cross Small Groups: As an outgrowth of our 2024 strategic planning – members have told us that communication and relationship are top priorities. Small groups exists for these purposes – to bring people together around the Word of God – to live in community with others, and to enjoy meaningful relationships. Please find the hand-out on the Welcome Center if you're interested in learning more about Chapel small groups and to sign up.

New Sunday Morning Bible Class Beginning on Sunday, February 2, Pastor Glenn will lead a class based on the LCMS Commission on Theology and Church Relation's (CTCR) report: *Racism and the Church*. The class will provide a theological and historical perspective on the problem while offering guiding principles and Biblical answers for overcoming racism. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center. If you would like an electronic copy of the CTCR document, include your email on the sign-up sheet.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Join our 1st and 3rd Tuesday 10:00 a.m. study on Abigail, based on 1 Samuel 25,

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

We are concluding our study on Wednesday, January 22: *Provoking Proverbs*.

Our new Wednesday Evening Bible Class at 6:30 pm, in the Lower Level Room 8, begins *Wednesday, January 29, 2025*. Join Vicar Samuel Wondemu for our study in the *God's Word for Today* series providing an in-depth exploration of the Psalms. Each Session includes chapter context, exciting and challenging discussion, and application from God's Word for our daily lives. Sign up at the Welcome Center so that we can have sufficient materials on hand and ready to go!

MUSIC

The Choral Singers (adult choir) meets for regular rehearsals on Thursdays from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the music room (in the lower level). If you are interested in joining us or have any questions, please contact Ryan Meyer, Director of Music Ministry. We are always open to welcoming new members!

The Chapel Bells (handbells) meet on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary. We could use several more ringers for this season - anyone who is interested, please contact Ryan Meyer, Director of Music Ministry.

LIFE TEAM

The Greek word behind "associate" in Romans 12:16 literally means "get carried away with." God Himself delights to draw near, dwell among, and become wrapped up in us lowly ones. He even goes beyond welcoming us to be welcomed by us (though we , of course, sinfully deserve to be aborted or at least euthanized). What could be better for all humankind than to emulate this dynamic?

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 2024, 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:

Virgil Hoffman – January 31

MAPP GOD'S WORD

James 1:12- "Blessed is the man that endures trial: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to them that love him."

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Coming up at Chapel

Tuesday, January 28

2:00 PM GriefShare

Wednesday, January 29

6:30 PM Bible Study

6:30 PM Children's Handbells

7:30 PM Chapel Handbells

Thursday, January 30

6:00 PM Life Team

7:00 PM Choral Singers

Saturday, February 1

5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, February 2

8:30 AM Worship Service

9:45 AM Youth and Adult Bible Study

11:00 AM Worship Service

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Matthew 8:8 – “But the centurion replied, ‘Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof, but only say the word, and my servant will be healed.’” The Word of the Lord is powerful and effective. What God says, goes. “Let there be light” (Gen 1:3) And there was light. His Work is still effective and creative for us: “This is my Body given for you.” “Your sins are forgiven.” This why it is no burden for us to live according to the Word of God: we know that His Word is always bent on our blessing.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (1/19/2025):

- Worship 198 and 12 visitors

Last week's offering (1/19/2025):

- General Fund: \$10,125
- Building / Capital Fund: \$1,412
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$52

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$33,525
- Building / Capital Fund: \$4,806

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$43,542
- Building / Capital Fund: \$3,114