



CHAPEL OF
THE CROSS
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Living in faith, hope, and love

THE CHAPEL Weekly

January 31, 2021

BIBLE STUDY

Bible class for adults

Sundays at 9:45 am in Room #9.

Wed. Night Book study every other
Wednesday at 6:30 PM in person.

Sunday school for children

*Will continue to be posted weekly
on-line at www.chapelofthecross.org*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Diapers and Baby Wipes Drive "The Life Team is sponsoring a diapers and baby wipes drive to benefit Chapel's Friend of Moms ministry. Any donation of baby wipes and/or diapers (newborn to size 5, opened or new) are welcome. Please place them in the cradle in the Commons area. We will start collecting them January 16th through the end of February. Thank you for sharing these simple blessings with moms in need. They are greatly appreciated!"

WANTED: Broken or Used Jewelry and Silver Plated Utensils. Look for the treasure chest in the commons to donate your items! Monarch Jewelry will turn your pieces into hope for a trafficked girl. Monarch Jewelry is a Christian ministry in connection with Crisis Aid International that creates artistic jewelry and accessories as a unique way to engage in the fight against modern day slavery. Their mission is to increase awareness, raise funds and encourage others to fight against sex trafficking. All profits from the sale of Monarch Jewelry and accessories goes to Crisis Aid's St. Louis Refuge home. We are grateful to partner with and help support them as they work to rescue, restore and set captives free!

Cross Roads- Contributions for the Spring issue of CrossRoads are due Sunday, February 7. Please put them in the CrossRoads box in the church office or mail them to church.

Tax Preparation Help – Free tax return preparation and electronic filing is available from Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) at Twillman House (11840 Bellefontaine Rd.) every Tuesday, February 2 through March 30, 2021, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Appointment is required. Register at www.MCTCfreetax.org, or email slvavita@gmail.com, or call 314-441-6893 for help with scheduling.

Flowers on the Altar are in celebration of **Bill and Grace Green's** 60th anniversary.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...

The names in bold print are new to the prayer list this weekend.

Those with Health Concerns:

Jan Arban
Joan Arban
Scott Barber (*friend of Nancy Swoboda*)
Tanjila Bolden
Pastor Clifford Bischoff
John Brown (son of Helga Brown)
Lonza Bufford (*cousin of Alexis Cunningham*)
Sadie Bufford (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Elizabeth Cash
Doris Coffeit (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
Luxora Crawford (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Barbara Davis (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Kathy Doherty (*friend of Fred Schroeder*)
Linda Edgington
Cheryl Ehmke
Carolyn Faerber
Kymm Fehrs
Lloyd Flint (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Legend Freeman (*God grandson of Alexis Cunningham*)
Carl Gray, Jr. (*cousin of Alexis Cunningham*)
Grace Green
Susanna Gregory (*daughter of Gale Damm*)
Melvina Hager
Kathy Hinkle (*aunt of Alexis Cunningham*)
Vickie Holmes (*sister in law of Alexis Cunningham*)
Diane Hurst (*Helping Hands Food Pantry*)
Dawn Iborg
Marilyn Krauter

Makenzie Lenox (*great-niece of Cindy Vogelsang*)
Bella Matakas (*niece of Ken Gerler*)
Elsie Meyer
Louis McNeal (*brother-in-law of Alexis Cunningham*)
Patricia Hayes Mitchell (*sister-in-law of Robert Cunningham*)
Darold Pendleton (*nephew of Georgia Thomas*)
Michael Miguel Pohl (*friend of Rosilyn Cunningham Smith*)
Karen Rae (*relative of Maire Trelz*)
Wandra Seward
Johnnie Spears
Jean Thomas
Rebecca Trump (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Abby VanArsedale (*friend of Jayme Z.*)
Ted Vogel
Cindy Vogelsang
Charles Ward (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Lionel Ward (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Joyce Weidner
Carol Whiteaker (*former member and cousin of Mark Petersen*)

Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer:

Lisa Capehart (*niece of Art Williams*)
Tracey Cottrell (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Mike Datillo (*uncle of Jayme Zvirgzdins*)
Mike Dunn (*uncle of Rick Christian*)
Christy Elfrink (*friend of Mark Petersen*)
Betty Endsley (*mother of Marcy Oliver*)
Diane Goetz-Jordan (*step-daughter of Keith Wetzel*)
Agnes Gray (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)
Eddie Hester (*friend of Jay Zvirgzdins*)
Denise Hildebrand

Don Kane (*father of Sheri Briley*)
Tom Krauter, Jr. (*son of Tom Krauter*)
Mike Lee (*friend of Nancy Swoboda*)
Mary Moeller (*cousin of Audrey Luedtke*)
Marc Openlander (*grandson of Art Williams*)
Martin Rodgers (*cousin of Jerri Bolden*)
Ellen Saville (*friend of Keith Neuber*)
Lincoln Scott (*relative of Alexis Cunningham*)
Arrior Soll (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)
Richard Steinbrueck (*brother of Leon Steinbrueck*)
Lisa Steinbrueck (*daughter-in-law of the Steinbruecks*)
Debbie Steinbrueck (*daughter of Joann & Leon Steinbrueck*)
Scott Whiteaker (*former member and cousin of Mark Petersen*)
Bob Woodward (*uncle of Jerry Bowen*)

Those who celebrate:

Butch and Linda Taylor who celebrate their 49th wedding anniversary on January 29.

Bill and Grace Green who celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on January 30.

Manfred and Roberta Loesch who celebrate their 46th wedding anniversary on February 1.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Confirmation classes have resumed. Current confirmation students should have heard from Pastor Marriott already, but we especially want to connect with any new confirmation students or families. For more information, please contact Pastor Marriott (james.marriott@chapelofthecross.org) or the church office.

Every Other Wed. Night Book Study: *Grace Upon Grace: Spirituality for Today*. We will resume in January. Join us in person at 6:30 pm every other Wednesday night. Contact Bill Rusnak to sign up, get your book and the discussion questions to guide our reading. Discussion Questions are at the Welcome Center.

Wednesday	Lesson
2/3/21	The Mystery of Meditation - Read pages 104-150 before class

GriefShare Chapel of the Cross is once again offering GriefShare two times, Tuesdays from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., and Thursdays from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., starting January 5 and 7, 2021. 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 this. It doesn't matter how long ago the loss has been. Call Bill Rusnak at 741-3737 for more information

LIFE TEAM

Life Thought: Anxieties concerning climate change and overpopulation justify abortion for some folks. But for Christians, people matter more than food (1 Corinthians 8:13). And fears about famine turn out unfounded when the God who sends mouth also sends meat (Psalms 111:5). If a picture is worth a thousand words, isn't a brother or sister worth more than a million hamburgers?

Birthdays: 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 2021, 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 – Jan. 31

M*A*P*P GOD'S WORD

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

James 3:17-18– But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.

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COMING UP AT CHAPEL

Tuesday, February 2

2:00 PM Grief Share

Wednesday, February 3

6:30 PM Adult Bible class

7:30 PM Chapel Bells

Thursday, February 4

6:30 PM Grief Share

Saturday, February 6

5:00 PM Worship

Sunday, February 7

8:30 AM Worship

9:45 AM Youth & Adult Bible Study

11:00 AM Worship

In-person worship will be limited in number, socially distanced services to comply with St. Louis County requirements.

Services can still be viewed online at chapelofthecross.org on Sunday morning.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Mark 1:22 – And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes.”

Authority is a word we are sometimes afraid of and don't like to hear. But that's just our sinful flesh talking. Jesus' authority is something we need. We need him to show us what to believe and how to live, for Jesus' authority is always connected to his love.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (1/25/2021):

- Worship: 101 and 6 visitors

Last week's offering (1/25/2021):

- General Fund: \$9,166
- Building / Capital Fund: \$765
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$84

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$37,151
- Building / Capital Fund: \$2,570

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$57,096
- Building / Capital Fund: \$6,964