

## **BIBLE Study**

Bible class for adults Sundays at 9:45 am in Room #9.

Sunday school for children Sundays at 9:45 am in the lower level

# Announcements

Season of Sharing - Chapel is once again partnering with Lutheran Family and Children's Services to bring some Christmas cheer to St. Louis families in need. If you would like to help, pick a Season of Sharing ornament from the display in the Commons Area, purchase the item on the ornament, and then bring the item unopened and unwrapped to the box in Chapel's church office. All donations must be received by Sunday, December 5 for gifts to be delivered to LFCS and then distributed before Christmas. Thank You!

"Surviving The Holidays" from GriefShare - The holiday season can be a tough time for those who are grieving the death of a family member or friend, and which may be anticipated with a sense of dread. Thoughts of social gatherings, family traditions, and obligations can leave you anxious and overwhelmed. Your sadness can seem unbearable. You may wish you could skip these next two months and go straight to the routine of the next year-but you can't. What can you do to lessen your stress and loneliness? A special session of GriefShare titled, "Surviving The Holidays" will be offered two times: Tuesday, November 16, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., and Thursday, November 18, from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Whether you have lost a loved one recently or if it's been years and you still struggle with the holidays because of that, we encourage you to come to one of these special sessions. You will be supported by those who understand and will receive some tips to help you go through the holidays with more joy and peace. You do not need to have attended any of the previous GriefShare sessions to attend. Contact Bill Rusnak at 741-3737 if you will be coming as it would be helpful to know ahead of time, or if you would like more information.

Mary-Martha Guild Christmas Party will be on Monday December 13, 2021. Our meal will be catered by Catering to You and the menu is Tossed Green Salad, Top Round of Beef Au Jus, Classic Fried Chicken, Baked Penne Marinara, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Home Style Green Beans, Fresh Baked Rolls and Dessert. Paid reservations in the amount of \$17.00 must be received no later than Sunday, November 28. Please place your reservation form in the Mary-Martha Guild mailbox in the church office or contact Joanne Witte at 314-741-3737. Everyone is welcome to attend! Also, we will be selling our Christmas Cookies on Saturday December 11 and Sunday December 12.

# In Our Prayers this week...

#### **Those with Health Concerns:**

Jan Arban Joan Arban Tanjila Bolden Shirline Bower Sheri Briley Betty Brooks (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Mardell Brown (friend of Georgia Thomas) Elizabeth Cash Alexis Cunningham Bea Daugherty) Marge Dubray (Food Pantry) Linda Edgington Ara Ellis *(relative of Alexis Cunningham)* Kymm Fehrs Roland Fischer (friend of Bill & Marilyn Miller) Darlene Franklin (friend of Georgia Thomas) Susanna Gregory (daughter of Gale Damm) Tom Hetrick (friend of Audrey Luedtke) Dr. James Hudson (cousin of Alexis Cunningham) Steve Jones (relative of Alexis Cunningham) Marilyn Koester (relative of Diane Timm) Judy Kreider (friend of Audrey Luedtke) Joyce Lackey Makenzie Lenox (great-niece of Cindy Vogelsang) Victor Luecke (Food Pantry) Richard Mason (friend of Audrey Luedtke) Delois Masion (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Bella Matakas (niece of Ken Gerler) Elsie Meyer Patricia Hayes Mitchell (sister-in-law of Robert Cunningham)

Katy Moran (friend of Jon Rogers) Darold Pendleton (nephew of Georgia Thomas) Karen Rae (relative of Maire Trelz) Ron Rammaha (friend of Robert Cunningham) Henry Scott (friend of Georgia Thomas) Johnnie Spears Dan Stephans (friend of Nancy Swoboda) Brendan Stevenson (relative of Alexis Cunninham) **Butch Taylor** Leona Tellegrino (god-daughter of Alexis Cunningham) Lou Terry (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Jean Thomas Ola's Ugobo (friend of Robert Cunningham) Dorothy Walker (Aunt of Jerri Bolden) Lionel Ward (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Hsea Wells (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Carol Whiteaker (former member and cousin of Mark Petersen) Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer:

#### Tammy Bushman (daughter of Mike and Jean Mueller)

Lisa Capehart (niece of Art Williams) Judy Christian (Rick and Lynda Christian's sister-inlaw)

Mike Datillo (uncle of Jayme Zvirgzdins) Brian Diekgraefe (friend of Mark Petersen) Mike Dunn (uncle of Rick Christian) Betty Endsley (mother of Marcy Oliver) Ayla Frushon (friend of Cheryl Balke) Kenneth Fuchs (former LHSN band director) Diane Goetz-Jordan (step-daughter of Keith Wetzel) Agnes Gray (friend of Jerri Bolden) Denise Hildebrand

Tom Krauter, Jr, (son of Tom Krauter) Mary Kuntz (friend of Julie Seibert)

Mary Moeller (cousin of Audrey Luedtke)

Mary Oberman (friend of Lisa Hager) Marc Openlander (grandson of Art Williams) Rocky Rhodes (friend of Nancy Swoboda)

Martin Rodgers (cousin of Jerri Bolden)

Ellen Saville (friend of Keith Neuber)

Dana Segal (daughter of Donna Stewart) Arrion Soll (friend of Jerri Bolden)

Eloise Srednicki (cousin of Tim Brown) Debbie Steinbrueck (daughter of Leon Steinbrueck) Marilyn-Madison Stinebaugh (friend of Bill & Marilyn

Miller) Chris Turmenstein (friend of Glenn and Joyce

Lackey Scott Whiteaker (former member and cousin of Mark

Petersen) Bob Woodward (uncle of Jerry Bowen)

#### Those Who Mourn:

Diane Schwede and her family upon the death of her brother, Roger Hocking, this past Monday.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - FALL 2021**

**Sunday Mornings:** Join us in Room #9 each week at 9:45 am and enjoy the *Enduring Faith* series.

All participants are asked to bring and wear their masks in all classes.

**Tuesday Mornings:** Our Women's Study on the first and third Tuesdays at 10:00 am is **Be Thou My Guide** - a Bible study on Trusting God. We gather in Room #8.

**Wednesday Evenings:** This 6:30 pm is an interactive study on *The Chosen* video Series – Season #1. This group meets in Room #9 in Person and Via Zoom.

**Thursday Evenings:** Financial Peace - Tim Taylor is leading the **Dave Ramsey -Financial Peace University** - the proven plan that helps you pay off debt fast and save more money for your future. Contact the church office to get involved.

**Garden Villa North** at 4505 Parker Road is looking to fill a part-time position for Thursday and Friday afternoons. You can call 314-355-6100 for an application and more information or go on their website to fill our application.

**Christmas Decorations!** Join the Fun as we decorate our church for Christmas on Saturday, November 27 starting at 9:00 am. 8:00 See Bill Rusnak and Sign up at the Welcome Center so we have a count for hot chocolate, donuts, and healthy treats!

### ADULT MINISTRY:

**GriefShare:** The next cycle of GriefShare starts Tuesday, January 4, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., and Thursday, January 6, 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

Life Team Guess the Baby Contest As part our Life Month celebration this coming January, the Chapel Life Team is holding a Guess the Baby contest! We would love your participation by submitting a photo of yourself as a baby or toddler. We will be compiling the photos in early December and putting them up for display in January, where everyone will have the opportunity to guess who each picture belongs to. Please submit your photo either via email to <u>anne.meyer@chapelofthecross.org</u> (send picture or scan at highest quality possible) or drop it off at the church office, where we will scan it and return it to you. Your original photo will not be altered, as we will display only the photocopies. The deadline to submit your photo is Monday, November 29. We're so thankful for the life God has given each one of you!

Little time remains for repentance now that fathers deliver children to death and children rise up against parents. We have the assurance that the Holy Spirit speaks salvation through our witness to the sanctity of life. Let us stir up one another to love by declaring that Jesus saves from the sin of abortion.

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:

Carolyn Faerber – November 14 Paul Fruend – November 16 Alice Holtgrewe – November 17

# M\*A\*P\*P GOD'S WORD

Memorize \* Apply \* Pray \* Ponder

**2 Corinthians 5:14-15** - "For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died; and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again."

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### Coming up at Chapel

#### Tuesday, November 16 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study

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#### Wednesday, November 17

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

**Thursday, November 18** 6:15 PM Joyful Noise 6:30 PM Grief Share 7:00 PM Choral Singers

Saturday, November 20 5:00 PM Worship Service

#### Sunday, November 21

Christ the King 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Youth and Adult Bible Study

### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Hebrews 10:14 - "For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified." Our Lord Jesus has provided the one offering for sin. What we offer to the Lord is not a sacrifice for sin; we cannot buy our way into heaven with our money, works, or effort. Rather, what we give to the Lord's work in the Church is a thank offering, a sign of our dependency on God and all He has given us.

## HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (11/7/2021):

Worship: 159 and 15 visitors

Last week's offering (11/7/2021):

- General Fund: \$13,139
- Building / Capital Fund: \$1,104
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$79

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$539,592
- Building / Capital Fund: \$54,279

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$642,330
- Building / Capital Fund: \$78,075