

THE CHAPEL Weekly



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Living in faith, hope, and love

November 17, 2024

BIBLE STUDY

Sunday 9:45 am Bible classes: **Lower Level**

Weekly Readings 9:45 am Room #9

Focusing on the Epistle of the day

Children's Sunday School Room #2 &
#4

Youth Confirmation Room 8:45 am

Senior High Youth Room

Announcements

Concert: Please join us on **today** for a special benefit concert at 4:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Hear Matt McEuen (vocals and dulcimer), Gary Lee (cello), and Ryan Meyer (piano) perform a variety of songs and genres in this musical trio! All proceeds will be in support of Chapel's McEuen family to help offset the high cost of their recent adoption. If you are unable to attend the concert, donations may still be made to Chapel of the Cross.

Thanksgiving Boxes: The Helping Hands Food Pantry will be giving out Thanksgiving boxes to families in need. Chapel members are invited to donate cash so that food items may be purchased. Make checks out to Helping Hands Food Pantry and place in the offering basket or bring to the church office. Thank you for helping to bring joy and Thanksgiving to families in need!

No Thanksgiving Homebound Service/Lunch: We have had very few of our homebound members attend the Thanksgiving homebound service and luncheon in the past few years. Because of the low attendance, we will no longer hold the Thanksgiving homebound service and luncheon. We sincerely thank all those who helped over the years to lead the service and prepare and serve the meal. The Spring service and lunch will still take place on Maundy Thursday, April 17, 2025

Voters' Annual Meeting: The annual Voters' Assembly meeting will be held on Monday, December 2 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 9. We will be ratifying changes to the Board of Elders and Board of Directors. We'll be reviewing our current financial situation and approving the 2025 budget. Our ministry leaders will talk about activities and plans, and we'll have time to answer your questions. If you'd like to submit a question early, please leave it in the office mailbox for the President of the Congregation.

Christmas Decorating Saturday, December 7th - Please join us as we adorn Chapel with Christmas decorations. There will be coffee and donuts to enjoy while we decorate! Sign up at the Welcome Center - You can choose an area to decorate when you arrive at 9:00 am or we'll let you know where we have the greatest need. See Bill Rusnak for more information.

Radio Broadcast is being sponsored by Steve and Julie Seibert in honor of their wedding anniversary on November 25th.

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*)

Joan Bohrer

Tanjilla 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 Bud & Gail Shultz*)

Gary Crane (*friend of Bud & Gail Shultz*)

Robert Cuningham III

Clyde Dempsey (*father of Julie Seibert*)

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 Rosalyn Cunningham*)

Joyce Lackey

Arminius Matthews (*son of Alicia Harris*)

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*)

Jill Seibert (*mother of Steve Seibert*)

Jim Seibert (*father of Steve Seibert*)

Gail Shultz

John Simon

Agnes Soll (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)

Johnnie Spears

Vernida Summers

Pam and Tim Taylor

Dale Ternaprovich (*brother of Joyce Lackey*)

Jean Thomas

Mickie Wallerstein (*friend of Bill & Marilyn Miller*)

Celita White (*co-worker of John Jordan*)

George Zvirgzdins

Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer:

Eileen Backman (*friend of Mark Petersen*)

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*)

Sue Gassner (*cousin of Gloria Uttley*)

Diane Goetz-Jordan (*step-daughter of Keith Wetzel*)

Janet Goldsboro (*cousin of Marilyn Miller*)

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*)

Jewel McDaniel (*friend of Nancy Swoboda*)

Martin Rodgers (*cousin of Jerri Bolden*)

Ellen Saville (*friend of Keith Neuber*)

Christine Schwepker (*friend of Don Albers & Karen Totra*)

Arrión Soll (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)

Terry Steen (*brother of Kathy Glenn*)

Candy Summers (*friend of Jayme Zvirgzdins*)

Those Who Mourn The family and loved ones of Bud Shultz who died in the Lord on Thursday.

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

Celebrating Olive Middendorf: Join the family on Saturday, December 14th, from 1:00 to 4:00 pm, in the lower level, Room #8, for a Birthday Open House for Olive Middendorf, who will be celebrating her 100th birthday! Please mark this on your calendar now and sign up at the Welcome Center to ensure sufficient food, cake, and more. Thank you for helping our church family to celebrate!

Lutheran Resale Shop invites you to our annual **Black Friday Sale**. Everything in our Shop will be 50% off on Friday, November 29th. If you like to hunt for vintage or collectibles, furniture, clothing, or anything else found in your home, this is your chance. We accept cash only. We are Lutheran volunteers trying to raise funds for Lutheran Family and Children's Services and Lutheran Senior Services. We open at **10 am and close at 3 pm**. If you have questions, please call 314-389-9970. We are at 6701 W. Florissant, St. Louis, MO. See you soon!

Ebenezer Lutheran Church is selling nuts and candy again this year. The order forms are on the Welcome Center. Thank you.

BIBLE STUDY

"Surviving The Holidays" from GriefShare: Whether you have had a loved one die recently or it's been years, and you still struggle with the holidays because of that, we encourage you to come to this special session, which will be held on Tuesday, November 26, from 2:00 – 4:00p.m. You do not need to have attended any of the previous GriefShare sessions to attend. Contact Bill Rusnak at 741-3737 if you think you will be coming so we can have materials prepared for you.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Join our 1st and 3rd Tuesday 10:00 a.m. study on 1 Samuel and the focus is on the theme of "Prayer" in room #8.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

There is no class on 11/27 as we have worship at 6:30 pm – Class will resume on Wednesday, January 10, 2025. See Bill Rusnak for details.

MISSION TRIP UPDATE

Jennifer Krupp will present information on her recent mission trip to Uganda Africa during the Sunday Education Hour in room #9 at 9:45 am on Sunday, December 1. Thank you to everyone for your generous support!

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) will begin meeting for this season next Wednesday, October 2, 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 heart broken by abortion may be sitting beside us in church. This one desperately longs for the relief and healing only God's forgiveness affords. We have no right to refuse them this Word because we fear political controversy. Instead, we have the privilege to proclaim abortion as sin and explicitly identify it as atoned for in Christ.

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:

Julie Griffith – November 20
Neil Walker – November 23
Karen Totra – November 24
Betty Leeker – November 26

Edith Koehler – November 21
Vita Pflieger – November 24
Edem Ekpo – November 26

MAPP GOD'S WORD

Hebrews 7:25 - "Therefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever lives to make intercession for them."

Coming up at Chapel

Tuesday, November 19

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study
2:00 PM GriefShare "Surviving the Holidays"

Wednesday, November 20

6:30 PM Children's Bells
6:30 PM Bible Class
7:30 PM Chapel Bells

Thursday, November 21

7:00 PM Choral Singers

Saturday, November 23

5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, November 24 Christ the King

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

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 (11/10/2024):

- Worship 197 and 8 visitors

Last week's offering (11/10/2024):

- General Fund: \$9,273
- Building / Capital Fund: \$490
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$65

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$571,670
- Building / Capital Fund: \$55,931

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$639,405
- Building / Capital Fund: \$78,345

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