



CHAPEL OF
THE CROSS
LUTHERAN

Living in faith, hope, and love

THE CHAPEL

Weekly

December 6, 2020

BIBLE STUDY

Bible class for adults

Sundays at 9:45 am in Room #9.
Please register by calling the church or
signing up at the Welcome Center.

Sunday school for children

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Poinsettias: We will decorate the church at Christmastime with poinsettia plants *in honor or in memory of a loved one*. If you would like to order a 5-7 bloom plant (\$10.00), which may be picked up after the service on Christmas day, please drop off or mail payment to the church office. Make checks payable to "Chapel of the Cross-Lutheran." **Deadline:** Wed., Dec. 16. Please let the church office know how you want your memorial to read.

Day 3 Seeds Presentation. On Sunday, December 13 at 9:45 am, Mike and Jean Mueller of Day 3 Seeds will present updates and outreach opportunities in Uganda via the Widow's Seed Project, on behalf of Rev. Raymond Kaija, Director of Seed for Souls East Africa. Mike and Jean will share the joys of this outreach among widows and their families, and how they have grown seed in abundance in 2020, which is to be shared among the many refugees in camps around Uganda in 2021.

Crocus Books and Gifts will be selling their Christmas cards along with some gift ideas this weekend through December 20th. Our tables will be located in the Commons by the office. Available at the Saturday night and Sunday morning services (8-11 a.m.) and during the week. Remember to practice social distancing.

Radio Broadcast today is being sponsored by Nancy and Marilee Kuhrik, in memory of their Mother, Mary Kuhrik's birthday in heaven with her Lord and Savior.

Flowers on the altar are in loving remembrance of Fay Vogel by Ted Vogel and family.

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*)
Marilyn Benoist
Tanjila Bolden
Stephanie Bollinger-Drennen (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
John Brown (son of Helga Brown)
Vicki Budd-Darby
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*)
Ann Frederick (*aunt of Jerri Bolden*)
Legend Freeman (*God grandson of Alexis Cunningham*)
Grace Green
Susanna Gregory (*daughter of Gale Damm*)
Audrey Helsley (*mother of Cathy Crosier*)
Megan Hereford
Diane Hurst (*Helping Hands Food Pantry*)
Dawn Iborg
Frank Lehner
Makenzie Lenox (*great-niece of Cindy Vogelsang*)
Alan Londe (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)

Bella Matakas (*niece of Ken Gerler*)
Pastor Norm Meyer
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*)
Virginia Schmidt
Wandra Seward
Pam Taylor
Jean Thomas
Rebecca Trump (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Ted Vogel
Charles Ward (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Lionel Ward (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Joyce Weidner
Earl Wendt
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*)
Lyn Lodholz (*daughter of Bill and Annette Rueckert*)
Sherri Mansfield (*friend of Steve and Julie Seibert*)
Mary Moeller (*cousin of Audrey Luedtke*)
Marc Openlander (*grandson of Art Williams*)
Martin Rodgers (*cousin of Jerri Bolden*)
Ellen Saville (*friend of Keith Neuber*)
Nick Schmitt (*husband of Rosilyn Cunningham-Schmitt*)
Lincoln Scott (*relative of Alexis Cunningham*)
Arrión 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*)
Joan Wolf (*relative of Alexis Cunningham*)
Bob Woodward (*uncle of Jerry Bowen*)

Those who mourn: The family and loved ones of **Virginia Schmidt** who died in the Lord on December 2.

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 or by Zoom 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.

Wednesday	Lesson
1/13/21	The Mystery of Christ - Read pages 59-71 before class
1/27/21	The Mystery of Christ - Read pages 71-86 before class
2/11/21	The Mystery of Meditation - Read pages 87-95 before class
2/25/21	The Mystery of Meditation - Read pages 95-104 before class

Music Rehearsals have now resumed for two of Chapel's ensembles - **Joyful Noise** (Tuesdays at 6:30 pm) and the **Chapel Bells** (Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.) Both ensembles will meet in the sanctuary for shortened rehearsals several times per month. Please contact Ryan Meyer for any questions or to learn more about these groups.

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!

LIFE TEAM

Life Thought: No greater comfort speaks to hearts broken by abortion than the Gospel of God's forgiveness (Isaiah 40:1-2). He holds the lives of those who permit, promote, or participate in abortion just as precious as the little lives lost to it (1 Peter 3:9). And whatever relief abortion proposes for surprise pregnancy cannot compare with the Savior who will "gently lead those that are with young" (Isaiah 40:11).

M*A*P*P GOD'S WORD

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

James 1:25 – "But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it-not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it-they will be blessed in what they do."

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COMING UP AT CHAPEL

Tuesday, Dec. 8

6:30 PM Joyful Noise

Wednesday, Dec 9

6:30 p.m. Advent Worship

7:30 p.m. Handbells

Saturday, Dec. 12

5:00 PM Worship

Sunday, Dec. 13

8:30 AM Worship

9:45 AM 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

Romans 15:4a "For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction." God's Word was given to us to bless us. The Bible warns us of our sin and points us to Christ for our salvation. The Bible also instructs us as to how to live out our Christian lives. This is the "third use of the Law." As Christians we should welcome this instruction in humble faith. We know that Christ has saved us, and now we want to know how to live lives of faith that are pleasing to Him.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (11/29/2020):

- Worship: 87 and 3 visitors

Last week's offering (11/29/2020):

- General Fund: \$18,887
- Building / Capital Fund: \$925
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$50

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$583,574
- Building / Capital Fund: \$56,841

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$685,152
- Building / Capital Fund: \$83,568