

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

Sundays at 9:45 am in the lower level Virtual lessons are also offered online at www.chapelofthecross.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marriage Anniversary Sunday – Chapel is offering a special opportunity for couples to renew their wedding vows. Join us today at 12 noon for the brief service. All married couples and their family are invited to celebrate. Couples are invited to bring a wedding picture to be displayed.

Midweek Lenten Services will begin this Wednesday with Ash Wednesday services at 11:00 AM and 6:30 PM thru March 24.

Sunday School – Chapel of the Cross is now offering in-person Sunday School for elementary-aged students. Students and teachers will follow similar protocols as are followed in worship at Chapel and in our local schools and public places: masks will be worn at all times and everyone will practice social distancing. We look forward to studying God's Word together again! If you have any questions, you can email Mary Laesch at tmlaesch@sbcglobal.net. We will continue to offer virtual Sunday School lessons. These can be found on Chapel's website at www.chapelofthecross.org/enduring-faith-sunday-school.

Crocus Books & Gifts: Starting February 6 we will have tables set up in the Commons with Valentine, Easter, Mother's Day, confirmation, and graduation cards. They are available individually for 50 cents or sold by the box (price marked on back of box).

COVID-19 Vaccine – For those who would like to pre-register to receive a COVID-19 vaccine but do not have access to the internet to sign up online, you may preregister by calling the St. Louis County Health Department (314-615-2660) or BJC Healthcare (314-362-9355).

The Flowers in the chancel on this Valentine's Day weekend are in thanksgiving to God for His gift of love and marriage.

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) Taniila Bolden Lonza Bufford (cousin of Alexis Cunningham) Sadie Bufford (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Elizabeth Cash 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) Roberta Loesch 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) Bunny Neustadt Mary Oberman (friend of Lisa Hager) Darold Pendleton (nephew of Georgia Thomas) Michael Miguel Pohl (friend of Rosilyn Cunningham Smith) Karen Rae (relative of Maire Trelz) Wandra Seward Sandy Stein 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*)

Lisa Capenart (*Inece 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) Arrion 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 Mourn:

Joyce Weidner and her family upon the death of her sister, Nancy, on Monday February 8.

The family and loved ones of **Carl Peyerl** who died on Sunday, February 7.

Those Who Celebrate:

Joanne Fansin who celebrates her 84th birthday on February 14th.

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* will resume after Lent on May 12.

Sunday morning Zoom Bible Class: Every Sunday at 9:45 AM join our Sunday morning Bible class in Room #9 via Zoom. You can type in this code address: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86932464321 for Meeting ID: 869 3246 4321 Passcode: 813762

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.

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 <u>www.MCTCfreetax.org</u>, or email <u>slvavita@gmail.com</u>, or call 314-441-6893 for help with scheduling.

Hope Lutheran Church is seeking to fill the position of Director of the Daycare by April 1, 2021. Applicant need to be and remain active in the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. Please submit all resumes before midnight, February 28th to: Hope Lutheran Church, Attn: Board of Education, 10701 Saint Cosmas Lane Saint Ann, MO 63074.

LIFE TEAM

Life Thought: "God shines forth out of Zion" (Psalm 50:2), not from outer space or some other dimension. He adorns human faces with His own glory. It isn't angels, superheroes, or celebrities only that He makes so sacred, but sinner like Moses (Exodus 34:29-30) and peasant like Jesus (Mark 9:2-3). The Almighty Father holds every human life open, no matter how embryonic or elderly, as a window to heaven. Who are me to pull the shades?

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:

Joanne Fansin – February 14 Alice Lombard – February 14 Judith Seavert – February 14

M*A*P*P GOD'S WORD

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

James 5:7-8 – Be patient, then brothers and sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains. You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near.

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COMING UP AT CHAPEL

Tuesday, February 16 2:00 PM Grief Share 6:30 PM Joyful Noise

Wednesday, February 17 11:00 AM and 6:30 PM Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday, February 18 6:30 PM Grief Share

Saturday, February 20 5:00 PM Worship

Sunday, February 21 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 9:6 – "For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified." Soon enough, the disciples' terror turned into joy, for when Jesus is with us, there is no need to fear. He loves us and cares for us and will never abandon us. That assurance is the basis of all generosity – for only those who are set free from worry can learn the joy of giving.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (2/7/2021):

• Worship: 83 and 9 visitors

Last week's offering (2/7/2021):

- General Fund: \$10,194
- Building / Capital Fund: \$790
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$48

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$58,260
- Building / Capital Fund: \$4,743

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$85,644
- Building / Capital Fund: \$10,446