

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
Senior High Youth Room
Youth Confirmation Room #8

Lenten Worship Schedule

- Midweek Worship

February 21 and 28
March 6, 13 and 20
11:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Dinners served at 5:00 p.m.
- Palm Sunday

March 23 5:00 p.m.
March 24 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
- Service of Corporate
Confession and Absolution

Wednesday, March 27 6:30 p.m
- Maundy Thursday

March 28 11:00 am. & 6:30 p.m.
- Good Friday

March 29 12:00 noon & 6:30 p.m.
- Easter Vigil

March 30 5:00 p.m.
- Easter Sunday

March 31 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Announcements

A Heartfelt Thank You. Crocus Books & Gifts is a unique ministry of Chapel of the Cross. Located in the Fellowship Commons you will find a selection of Christian greeting cards, along with a variety of gifts, books, and other assorted items. While proceeds are reinvested into new merchandise, because of your generous support over these past months we were able to donate a total of \$1300.00 to Chapel for use as needed. Recently a portion of those funds were used to purchase the new high-top tables and chairs located in the Commons. In addition, during this past Christmas season we were pleased to give Target gift cards to the Seminary students currently serving Chapel. These gifts are only possible because of your faithful patronage to Crocus Books & Gifts so please accept our sincerest thanks for your continued support. We are truly honored to serve you and very humbled by your generosity. Roberta Loesch and Nancy Swoboda

Silent Auction and Trivia Night: Saturday March 2, 2024 - supporting *Chapel Youth!* Speak with Bill Rusnak as we still need various workers, players, and silent auction items as donations. Team and Individual Registration Forms are at the Welcome Center. The cost remains \$15 per person and \$120 for a table of eight.

LAMP 2024 Mission trip informational meeting: Teams are now forming for this summer's Chapel of the Cross Mission Trip to Northern Canada through the LAMP Ministry. If you have ever considered being a part of a short-term Mission Opportunity, we encourage you to attend an informational meeting about this trip. There will be no obligation to commit, but you will have the opportunity to learn more about LAMP VBS mission trips, ask questions, and find out how you can be involved even if God isn't calling you to travel North. The meeting will be held in Room A on Sunday, February 25 after the 11:00am Worship Service. The trip dates are July 24 – August 5, 2024. We pray that you will consider coming North to share God's love this summer! Questions? Contact Mike or Ellen Kehe. 314-607-3734

LWML: You are invited to a Prayer Service on March 9, 9:30 at Our Redeemer Lutheran, 9153 E. Milton, Overland. The service will be followed by a brief LWML Zone Business meeting and a light luncheon. Call Kathy Brewer at 314-223-7655 for the luncheon count. You may bring non-perishable food items or toiletries for an in-gathering. Come to worship our Lord and fellowship with sisters in Christ.

Crossroads: Contributions for the Spring issue of Crossroads are due by Sunday, March 4

In Our Prayers this week...

Those with Health Concerns:

Tanjila Bolden
Doris Boyd
Lydia Brown (friend of Georgia Thomas)
Mardell Brown (friend of Georgia Thomas)
Cheryl Bush (friend of Jerri Bolden)
Jasmine Butler-Williams (food pantry)
Ivy Rose Clark (relative of Alexis Cunningham)
Sharon Cole (friend of Bud & Gail Shultz)
Gary Crane (friend of Bud & Gail Shultz)
Marlene Crawford
Meagan Crump (friend of Jon Rogers)
Robert Cuningham III
Bea Daugherty
Clyde Dempsey (father of Julie Seibert)
Linda Edgington
Kymm Fehrs
Aulderay Fields
Darlene Franklin (friend of Georgia Thomas)
Re Froelich (2nd mom to Julie Seibert)
John Gassner (cousin of Gloria Uttley)
Susanna Gregory (daughter of Gale Damm)
Carolyn Hanneman
Rita Hayes (sister of Jim Crosier)
Dennis Iborg (brother-in-law of Dawn Iborg)
Jordan Jones (friend of Ervin Wilson)
Paul Kelly (father of Rosalyn Cunningham Schmitt)
Joyce Lackey
Pamela Leonard (daughter of Julie Griffith)
John Linton (brother-in-law of Joe Miano)
Alice Lombard

Audrey Luedtke
Malu Martin (sister of Cathy Crosier)
Bella Matakas (niece of Ken Gerler)
Arminius Matthews (son of Alicia Harris)
Duane McCain (uncle of John & Jay Zvirgzdins)
Patricia Miano (mother of Joe Miano)
Joan Milligan (friend of Alexis Cunningham)
Peggy Miller
Rev. Eddie Morris (Vanessa Morris' brother-in-law)
Ashley Mosley (daughter-in-law of Frank & Bessie Mosley)
Brandie Mosley
John Nichols (friend of Vernida Summers)
Delvitt Pace (food pantry)
Darold Pendleton (nephew of Georgia Thomas)
Karen Rae (relative of Maire Trelz)
Mackenzie Ruebel
Annette Rueckert
Jill Seibert (mother of Steve Seibert)
JimSeibert (father of Steve Seibert)
Bud Shultz
Gail Shultz
Mark Shultz (son of Bud & Gail Shultz)
John Simon
Agnes Soll (friend of Jerri Bolden)
Johnnie Spears
Chris Tegtmeyer
Dale Ternaprovich (brother of Joyce Lackey)
Jean Thomas
Glenda Tubbs (Food Pantry)
Marcia Turvold
Mickie Wallerstein (friend of Bill & Marilyn Miller)

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 and Jean Mueller)
Lisa Capehart (niece of Art Williams)
Bob Crecelius (brother of Roy Crecelius)
Jane Curran (friend of Karen Schaeffer)
Janet Dickhudt (friend of the Luedtke family)
Ayla Frushon (friend of Cheryl Balke)
Sue Gassner (cousin of Gloria Uttley)
Diane Goetz-Jordan (step-daughter of Keith Wetzel)
Tom Hetrick (nephew of Audrey Luedtke)
Karin Hornig (sister of Doris Truetken)
Bianca Jackson (friend of Vernida Summers)
Tom Krauter, Jr. (son of Tom Krauter)
Cheryl Linton (sister-in-law of Joseph Miano)
Gary Mantei
Amy Marler (friend of Caroline Moss)
Jewel McDaniel (friend of Nancy Swoboda)
Mary Oberman (friend of Lisa Hager)
Rick (friend of Jon Rogers)
Martin Rodgers (cousin of Jerri Bolden)
Ellen Saville (friend of Keith Neuber)
Arrior Soll (friend of Jerri Bolden)
Candy Summers (friend of Jayme Zvirgzdins)
Jon Summers (friend of Jayme Zvirgzdins)

Those Who Mourn: Clara Mueller and her family upon the death of her sister, **Lydia Volz** this past Sunday.

The family and loved ones of **Bob Krauter** who died in the Lord February 15.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Parents of Prodigals Training Event Many have raised their children in the church, but their children have stopped attending church or have left the faith. Family Shield Ministries will host a training and equipping event for Parents of Prodigals and LCMS church workers at Concordia Lutheran Church in Kirkwood, MO on Saturday, April 6, 2024, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided. The keynote speaker will be Paula Isakson, a prodigal child for 25 years before returning to her faith in Christ. The training event is free, however registration is required. Register at <https://familyshieldministries.com/parents-of-prodigals-ministry-training/>

Shoebox Ministry: There is a Christmas box in the Commons Area, and it will be there through the year to collect items for the Operation Christmas Child Shoebox ministry. Each month there will be a special emphasis for us to collect for shoebox packing day, but all items are welcome at any time. (See the poster on the box). All items will be collected for a special Congregation-wide packing event in November. A simple shoebox gift and God’s love can change a life!

ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

Christian Response to Racism: Starting February 4, 2024 at 9:45 am in Room A. In the 1st four weeks, we will study the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod’s writings on racism. The final six weeks will be participation in the Concordia Pub. House, “One Nation Under God.” This study aims to understand better the racial problem from a Christian perspective and how Christians should respond to the problem that plagues our nation. There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center. The moderator for this class will be Pastor Glenn.

Ladies Study: The 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month in the lower level in Room 8 is: *Biblical Heroines of Faith – Understanding God’s Work in the lives of His people.* We are taking a break until we resume on Tuesday, February 6, 2024, when we study Deborah and Jael. Copies are available at the Welcome center.

GriefShare: Chapel of the Cross continues to offer GriefShare on Tuesdays from 2:00 – 4:00 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 this. It doesn’t matter how long ago the loss has been. Contact Bill Rusnak (741-3737) for more information.

MUSIC

Music Ministry: Have you ever considered being a part of Chapel’s music ministry? Below is a list of our choirs and ensembles and when they rehearse. All are welcome to join us as we “make a joyful noise to the Lord!” Please contact director of music, Ryan Meyer, with any questions. We hope to see you there!

Children’s Handbells	Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
Chapel Bells (Adult handbells)	Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.
Joyful Noise (contemporary)	1 st & 3 rd Thursdays at 6:15 p.m.
Choral Singers (choir)	Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

LIFE TEAM

The Lord God forbid father Abraham from sacrificing his boy Isaac. The lesson extends to us, too. Abortion is immoral because it is unnecessary. Jesus alone serves as beast of burden in the solemn rite of righting wrongs. Death always hatches from sin, but we belong in the business of redemption. If God’s forgiveness forgets even abortion, we ought to forget about it also.

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:

Barbara Frye – February 22
Carol Laesch – February 24
Harold Noltensmeyer – February 27

MAPP GOD’S WORD

Colossians 1:12-14 - “Giving thanks unto the Father, who has made us fit to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: who has delivered us from the power of darkness, and has translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son in whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins.”

Coming up at Chapel

Tuesday, February 20
10:00 AM Women’s Bible Study
2:00 PM Grief Share

Wednesday, February 21
Lenten Services
11:00 AM Lenten Service
5:00 PM Dinner
6:30 PM Lenten Service
7:30 PM Early Communion Class

Thursday, February 22
6:15 PM Joyful Noise
7:00 PM Choral Singers

Saturday, February 24
5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, February 25
8:30 AM Worship Service
9:45 AM Youth and Adult Bible Study
11:00 AM Worship Black History Month

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Mark 1:13 – “And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.” God the Father cares for Jesus even in the midst of His temptation in the wilderness. God cares for us in every situation as well. Jesus realized this and always acted from the basis of trust in God the Father’s provision. This is likewise the basis for our life lived in Christ: God cares for us, so we need not act out of fear or greed.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week’s attendance (2/11/2024):
• Worship 191 and 10 visitors

Last week’s offering (2/11/2024):
• General Fund: \$7,872
• Building / Capital Fund: \$1,255
• 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$47

YTD Offerings:
• General Fund: \$68,458
• Building / Capital Fund: \$7,753

YTD Need:
• General Fund: \$85,254
• Building / Capital Fund: \$10,446