

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.

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 Cunningham 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*)
Virgil Hoffmann
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*)
Jim Seibert (*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 Tegmeyer
Dale Ternaprovich (*brother of Joyce Lackey*)
Jean Thomas
Glenda Tubbs (*Food Pantry*)
Marcia Turvold
Mickie Wallerstein (*friend of Bill & Marilyn Miller*)

Announcements

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 is today February 25 in Room A.

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 3

Shoebox Ministry: “Seeing these people here helping my grandson reminds me that God is here to help us,” said Sebastiana, grandmother of a 6-year-old boy named Sebastian, during one gift box outreach event in a remote village in Aculpulco recently damaged by Hurricane Otis. The face of a 12-year-old boy named Miguel, an aspiring artist, lit up with a smile when he saw the artist notebook in his box. He immediately began drawing flowers. Two 12-year-old twins girls each were amazed to find a medical kit and sewing supplies among their items. Yeni wants to be a doctor. Dyessamin is learning how to sew at school and needed her own materials. “Yes. They are small things,” Pastor Pedro said. “But to a child who has lost everything, they are a way of introducing them to the love of Jesus Christ.”

Thank you to all who have already filled the Christmas box in the Commons Area with items for shoeboxes! That Christmas box 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. Looking forward to March and April's emphases, we will be collecting various craft and activities items, along with new stuffed animals. Craft and activities can include small puzzles, chalk, watercolors, playdough, stickers, etc.... All items will be collected for a special Congregation-wide packing event in November. There is also a more detailed list of items for you to take home located at the welcome center desk. A simple shoebox gift and God's love can change a life!

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*)
Arrion Soll (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)
Candy Summers (*friend of Jayme Zvirgzdins*)
Jon Summers (*friend of Jayme Zvirgzdins*)

Those Who Mourn Roy and Sharon Crecelius upon the death of their son-in-law **Jim Webb** on February 23.

Those Who Celebrate: Pam and Tim Taylor and Donna Stewart upon the birth of a grandson and great-grandson Emmett White on February 23.

In Loving Memory of **Mal James** upon his first birthday in heaven on March 1.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Food Pantry is in need of tuna and canned fruit and no egg cartons at this time.

Chapel Men’s First Friday will be Friday March 1st at 11 a.m. at Uncle Linny’s in Pontoon Beach IL.

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/>

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

Physician-assisted suicide and euthanasia view aging and affliction as burdens. But Abraham became a blessing in his elderliness. And we encounter the glory of the Lord in carrying one another’s crosses. So let us resist Satan’s temptations to take death into our own hands. We will rejoice in our suffering and receive neighbors as gifts even in theirs.

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:

Herbert Barge – March 3
Gerry Renken – March 3
Kenneth Zesch – March 4

MAPP GOD’S WORD

Colossians 1: 20-22 - “And, have made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven. And you, that were once alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now has he reconciled in the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblamable and unreprouable in his sight.”

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Coming up at Chapel

Monday, February 26
7:00 PM Board of Directors

Tuesday, February 27
2:00 PM Grief Share

Wednesday, February 28
Lenten Services
11:00 AM Lenten Service
5:00 PM Dinner
6:30 PM Lenten Service
7:30 PM Early Communion Class

Thursday, February 29
7:00 PM Choral Singers

Saturday, March 2
5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, March 3
8:30 AM Worship Service
9:45 AM Youth and Adult Bible Study
11:00 AM Worship Black History Month

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Mark 8:32 – “And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.” Anytime we sin, we are acting like Peter, thinking we know better than the Lord. But as Jesus says, such acts stem from Satan. So let repent. Let us trust our Lord Jesus and follow Him. For certainly He has earned our trust with His gracious sacrifice for us.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week’s attendance (2/18/2024):
• Worship 172 and 18 visitors

Last week’s offering (2/18/2024):
• General Fund: \$11,880
• Building / Capital Fund: \$1,074
• 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$70

YTD Offerings:
• General Fund: \$80,338
• Building / Capital Fund: \$8,827

YTD Need:
• General Fund: \$99,463
• Building / Capital Fund: \$12,187