# **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**

March 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. Homebound Lunch 12:00 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

Egg-citing News! Chapel of the Cross will host an Easter Egg Hunt for children of the congregation and the community on Saturday, March 30. Children and their families are invited to come for crafts and games from 10:00-10:45 a.m. The Egg Hunt will begin at 11:00 a.m. We are asking for donations of small, wrapped candy (no nuts please) and plastic eggs. We also need youth and adult helpers for the hunt! Look for info in the Commons. Contact Mary Laesch for more information.

Easter Lilies: We will decorate the church at Easter with Easter lilies in honor of a person, your family, or in memory of a loved one. If you would like to order a plant for (\$12.50), which may be picked up after March 31, please use one of the envelopes you will find in the pew racks or call the church office (741-3737). Make checks payable to "Chapel of the Cross-Lutheran." DEADLINE: Monday, March 25. ALSO: Please let the church office know how you want your memorial to read.

Shoebox Ministry: The March and April's emphases 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!

Good Friday Tre Ore Service Blessed Savior Lutheran Church (2615 Shackelford Rd., Florissant, MO) will be hosting their annual Good Friday Tre Ore service focusing on the seven last words of Christ from the cross on Good Friday, March 29, 12 noon to 3 p.m. The Tre Ore service is comprised of 7 services which are approximately 20-25 minutes long. You may come and go as it fits your schedule. Vicar Brett Arrasmith will be preaching on the Second Word: "Today you will be with Me in paradise." And Pastor Glenn will be peaching on the Third Word: "Woman, behold your Son."

Mary-Martha Guild will hold its annual Spring Bake sale on Palm Sunday weekend March 23 & 24. This year the proceeds will go to Wings of Hope.

Easter Continental Breakfast: See the display in the Commons and sign up to support this fellowship opportunity. The menu is "Continental" in nature and the service hours are 9:15 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. Please note these changes and join us this Easter - in the Lower Level - Gymnasium. See Bill Rusnak for information.

## In Our Prayers this week...

#### **Those with Health Concerns:**

Terry Balke (brother of Cheryl Balke) 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

Fred Fansin

Kymm Fehrs Aulderay Fields

Fansin)

Darlene Franklin (friend of Georgia Thomas) Patrick Garrison (friend of Fred & Joanne

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)

Marlo Johnson 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)

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**

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)

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)

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)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

#### 2024 Spring Seniors and Homebound Service and Luncheon

This special semi-annual event will take place on Maundy Thursday, March 28, 2024. We thank God for His love to us during this time of Lent and as we anticipate celebrating the events of Holy Week. The service will begin at 11:00 am, followed by a luncheon in the gym. Sign up at the Welcome Center if you will be coming. Also, volunteers may be needed to help with the meal and/or transportation for some of the homebound. Contact Bill Rusnak if you are able to assist us with any of these opportunities.

**Friend of Moms** needs girl's clothing. Sizes NB to 4T. If you know any access to these sizes, please encourage them to donate their out-grown girl's clothing to our Friend of Moms Boutique. Thank you very much for your support!

**Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars by March 31** Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have available Choice Dollars have until March 31, 2024, to direct any remaining 2023 Choice Dollars. Don't miss this opportunity to tell Thrivent Financial to provide funding to Chapel of the Cross. Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more. Or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

#### **ADULT BIBLE STUDIES**

**Christian Response to Racism:** Starting February 4, 2024, at 9:45 am in Room A. In the 1<sup>st</sup> 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. 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.* 

**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.

#### <u>MUSIC</u>

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

#### **LIFE TEAM**

Jesus Christ embodies the God who abides beside us in our ailments and frailities. Our incarnate and crucified Savior suffers with and for those who cannot sustain or save themselves. He regards even human beings beset by weakness or sickness high enough to take on our condition Himself. The Gospel just leaves no room for abortion or assisted suicide.

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:

Diane Townsend - March 26

### MAPP GOD'S WORD

**Colossians 3:24 -** "Knowing that of the Lord you shell receive the reward of the inheritance: for you serve the Lord Christ."

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# Coming up at Chapel

**Tuesday, March 19** 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 2:00 PM Grief Share

#### Wednesday, March 20 Lenten Services

11:00 AM Lenten Service 5:00 PM Dinner 5:30 PM Children's Bells 6:30 PM Lenten Service 7:30 PM Early Communion Class 7:30 PM Chapel Bells

**Thursday, March 21** 6:15 PM Joyful Noise 7:00 PM Choral Singers

Saturday, March 23 5:00 PM Worship Service MMG Spring Bake Sale

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Youth and Adult Bible Study MMG Spring Bake Sale

#### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Mark 10:45 – "For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Jesus gives everything He has: He gives Himself. That self-giving is the model for our giving in all aspects of our lives. In our family, in our church, and in the world at large, Jesus calls us to follow His example of self-giving. We can only do this if we are connected to His self-giving in faith.

# HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (3/10/2024):

• Worship 208 and 17 visitors

Last week's offering (3/10/2024):

- General Fund: \$9,744
- Building / Capital Fund: \$874
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$94

### YTD Offerings:

• General Fund: \$119,211

• Building / Capital Fund: \$12,966

#### YTD Need:

• General Fund: \$142,090

• Building / Capital Fund: \$17,410