

THE CROSS

March 19, 2023

## **BIBLE STUDY**

Sunday 9:45 am Bible classes: Lower Level Weekly Readings 9:45 am Room #9 Children's Sunday School Room #2 & #4 Senior High Youth Room Youth Confirmation Room #8 Upper Level Luther's Large Catechism Room A,

### Woman's Bible study

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 10:00 am Unshakable Hope A study by Max Lucado - Room #8 March 21 Chapter #13 / Guide #12 April 18 Chapter #14 and pages 209-212

Wednesday 6:30 pm Hebrews Room #8. We resume on April 19.

## Announcements

LAMP Informational Meeting Have you ever considered serving on a short term mission team? This summer Chapel of the Cross is sending two teams to northern Canada to teach Bible School to First Nations children with LAMP: Lutheran Association of Missionaries and Pilots. Come hear more about this opportunity in an informational meeting today, Sunday, March 19, after late service in room A. For more information or questions, contact Mike Kehe 314-607-3735, or Ellen Kehe 314-607-3734.

Easter Breakfast: COTC is serving fresh scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, and more on Sunday, April 9, 2023. We are serving from 7:30 am to 10:45 am in the gym at Chapel of the Cross! It is free - but donations will be accepted to send to our designated missions. We need some servers and help with the food preparations, too! See the Commons display table.

Chapel Easter Egg Hunt: Chapel of the Cross will host an Easter Egg Hunt for children of the congregation and the community on Saturday, April 8. 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. You are invited to help with this fun community outreach project! Please donate individually wrapped candy and plastic eggs. Volunteers are needed to help with set-up, take-down, crafts and games, and filling and hiding eggs. Sign up in the church narthex or contact Mary Laesch. Thank you!

Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars: Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have available Choice Dollars may direct Choice Dollars for the ministry of Chapel of the Cross. Don't miss this opportunity to recommend that Thrivent Financial provide outreach funding to Chapel! Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more. Or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt. Deadline to designate funds is March 31.

Concordia Concert Band: On Monday, March 13, Chapel was blessed to be able to host the University Concert Band from Concordia University in Seward, Nebraska. We are very grateful for the many volunteers who contributed in numerous ways to host this ensemble and make this event so successful! Thank you to all those who helped prepare and serve food for their dinner, who helped to promote this event, who welcomed students into their homes for the night, and all those who helped in any other way. We appreciate you!!

Seniors and Homebound Holy Week Service and Luncheon: Join us on Monday, April 3, as we remember, honor, and celebrate the events of Holy Week. The service will begin at 11:00, followed by a luncheon in the gym. Sign up at the Welcome Center if you will be coming. Volunteers are needed to help prepare and serve the meal, and with transportation for some of the homebound. Contact Bill Rusnak.

Thank You for your thoughts, cards, and prayers for the loss of loved ones and recovering from a recent illness. Tim and Pam Taylor

# In Our Prayers this week. Those with Health Concerns:

Marty Albers Jan Árban Joan Arban Willie Ball (friend of Aulderay Fields) Tracy Ball (friend of Aulderay Fields) Vivian Berry Loretta Bolar (cousin of Alexis Cunningham) Tanjila Bolden Mardell Brown (friend of Georgia Thomas) Sharon Casey (friend of Julie Griffith) Ivy Rose Clark (relative of Alexis Cunningham) Kim Cunningham (daughter-in-law to Alexis Cunningham) Robert Cunningham III Donna Dansberry (sister of Alexis Cunningham) Linda Edgington Kymm Fehrs Aulderay Fields David Funke John Gasner (cousin of Gloria Uttley) Jessica Glenn (wife of Zeb Glenn) Grace Green Susanna Gregory (daughter of Gale Damm) James Haas (grandson of Bill & Marilyn Miller) Carolyn Hanneman Rita Hayes (sister of Jim Crosier) Judy Hoelker (aunt of Christy Boehmer) Darryal Hughes (cousin of Aulderay Fields) Diane Hurst (friend of Diane Timm Angela Jones (friend of Georgia Thomas)

Althea Jackson (sister-in-law to Vernida Summers) LaVoe Jackson (friend of Vernida Summers) Jordan Jones (friend of Ervin Wilson) Jimmie Jordan (brother of John Jordan) Paul Kelly (father of Rosalyn Cunningham Schmitt) Jamie Kirkpatrick (grandson of Audrey Luedtke) Marilyn Koester (Diane Timm's cousin) Jovce Lackev Audrey Luedtke Bella Matakas (niece of Ken Gerler) Elsie Meyer Katy Moran (friend of Jon Rogers) Ethel Moreau (friend of Audrey Luedtke) Bessie Mosley Leona Pellegrino (god-daughter of Alexis Cunningham) Darold Pendleton (nephew of Georgia Thomas) Karen Rae (relative of Maire Trelz) David Schlictmann (father of Craig Schlictmann) Henry Scott (friend of Georgia Thomas) Bud Shultz Gail Shultz Stef Sims (friend of Diane Timm) Agnes Soll (friend of Jerri Bolden) Johnnie Spears Sandy Stephens (friend of Nancy Swoboda) Dale Ternaprovich (brother of Joyce Lackey) Jean Thomas Lionel Ward (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Hsea Wells (friend of Alexis Cunningham)

## Those Receiving Treatment for

Cancer: Terry Balke (Cheryl Balkes brother) Eva Brown (food pantry) Tammy Bushman (daughter of Mike and Jean Mueller) Lisa Capehart (niece of Art Williams) Judy Christian (Rick and Lynda Christian's sister-inlaw) Mike Datillo (uncle of Jayme Zvirgzdins) Mike Dunn (uncle of Rick Christian) Diane Goetz-Jordan (step-daughter of Keith Wetzel) Agnes Gray (friend of Jerri Bolden) Tom Hetrick (nephew of Audrey Luedtke) Justin Hodge (friend of Jon Rogers) Bianca Jackson friend of Vernida Summers) Ed Kamphoefner (brother to Kathy Mueller) **Bob Krauter** Tom Krauter, Jr, (son of Tom Krauter) Ken Leesman (husband of Christy Leesman) Cheryl Linton (sister-in-law of Joseph Miano) Mary Jo Loberg Gary Mantei Stephen Moellering (brother of Linda Moellering) Mary Oberman (friend of Lisa Hager) Marc Openlander (grandson of Art Williams) Martin Rodgers (cousin of Jerri Bolden) Ellen Saville (friend of Keith Neuber) Arrion Soll (friend of Jerri Bolden) Candy Summers (friend of Jayme Zvirgzdins) Vicki Williams (daughter of Bill & Grace Green) Bob Woodward (uncle of Jerry Bowen) Norma Young (friend of Alexis Cunningham)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

**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 April 9th, please use one of the envelopes which 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, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. ALSO: Please let the church office know how you want your memorial to read.

**Rummage Sale April 28 and 29, 2023: S**ee the Commons display. Helpers needed to sort items on Wednesday 4/26. Please bring items to the Gym stage from Saturday, April 22, to Wednesday, April 26. Proceeds support our Summer Camp!

**Faith in Action:** We have neighbors in need around the world! One tangible way to help is to make Personal Care Kits. Just four items wrapped up in a BATH TOWEL: 2 BARS OF SOAP, A COMB, A TOOTHBRUSH, AND A NAIL CLIPPER. Please take a list from the Commons with directions on how to package on the reverse side. We will just take these donations for the Four Sundays of March. THANK YOU!

**Home School Art Show:** Chapel is hosting the 27th Annual Family Covenant Ministries Homeschool Art Festival on April 27th from 4 to 7 p.m. If you would like more information or know of a homeschool family that would be interested, contact Jayme Zvirgzdins at 314-489-5607 or <u>fcmartfestival@outlook.com</u>.

**Summer Camp Counselors Needed:** 2023 Chapel Summer Camp is May 30 through August 4. We are now accepting applications from those interested in being a counselor. Applicants must be at least graduating high school seniors. Please contact Summer Camp Interim Director, Bill Rusnak, to get your application.

**Thrivent Members:** In preparation for Summer Camp 2023, we are needing 8 to 10 more Thrivent Action Team gift cards for specific areas. If you are willing to help in this way speak with Bill Rusnak!

### LIFE TEAM:

Jesus clearly instructs us not to regard physical impairment as reason for condemnation to death. Yet our culture often uses disability as excuse for abortion and euthanasia. The Lord our God works wonders through our neighbors' brokenesses just as He does through our own. So we may cheerfully, compassionately, courageously persuade our communities to turn away from doctorassisted deaths.

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 2023, 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:

Sharon Schulte – March 23 Donna Bullington – March 26 Diane Townsend – March 26 Aulderay Fields – March 27

## M\*A\*P\*P GOD'S WORD

### Memorize \* Apply \* Pray \* Ponder

**1 Corinthians 2:12-** "Now we have rejected, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit who is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God."

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## Coming up at Chapel

#### Tuesday, March 21

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 2:00 PM Griefshare

### Wednesday, March 22

11:00 AM Lenten Service5:00 PM Dinner5:30 PM Children's Handbells6:30 PM Lenten Service7:30 PM Chapel Bells

### Thursday, March 23

6:15 PM Joyful Noise 6:30 PM GriefShare 7:00 PM Choral Singers

Saturday, March 25

5:00 PM Worship service

#### Sunday, March 26

8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Youth & Adult Bible Study 11:00 AM Worship Service

### **STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT**

Psalm 142:5 – "I cry to you. O LORD: I say, 'You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living."" The Lord is our portion, our refuge, our everything. His mercy preserves us through all our days in the land of the living. This confidence frees us from the fear that so often leads to sins of greed and coveting. We have the Lord, we have a Father, He is in control, so we can follow His Word in confidence.

## **HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE**

Last week's attendance (3/12/2023):

• Worship 208 and 7 visitors

Last week's offering (3/12/2023):

- General Fund: \$8,948
- Building / Capital Fund: \$1,062
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$67

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$124,723
- Building / Capital Fund: \$11,618

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$157,014
- Building / Capital Fund: \$19,151