



CHAPEL OF
THE CROSS
LUTHERAN

Living in faith, hope, and love

THE CHAPEL Weekly

March 7, 2021

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
resumes April 14.

Women's Bible Study: 1st and 3rd

Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in Room #8.

Sunday school for children

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Voter's Assembly – Ellory Glenn, a Chapel member for almost 25 years, has served the Lord in many capacities at Chapel, especially in the music ministry and as a member and chairman of the Board of Elders. Two years ago, with the approval of the Board of Directors of Chapel of the Cross, Ellory began the Specific Ministry Pastor (SMP) program at Concordia Seminary. He has been studying for the pastoral ministry and serving his vicarage at Chapel the past two years. Ellory is roughly half way through the SMP program. At this point in the program, candidates receive Calls from their congregations. Ellory's Call at Chapel of the Cross will be to serve as Specific Ministry Pastor in the areas of ministry to African Americans and Armed Forces veterans.

In accordance with the Bylaws of Chapel of the Cross we will hold a Voters' Assembly to extend a Call to Ellory Glenn today at 12:00 p.m. All confirmed members of Chapel of the Cross are invite and encouraged to attend.

Friend of Moms: Thank you Church Family! The final count of our Diaper Drive 3725 diapers and 111 package of wipes. How generous you are and what a blessing these diapers and wipes are to our Friend of Moms ministry.

The Sight and Sound Production of "Jesus" will be televised on TBN Network on Good Friday, April 2, 2021 at 6:00 PM, April 3 at 2:00 PM, and Easter Sunday, April 4 at 2:00 PM.

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 (\$12.00), which may be picked up after April 4th, please send payment to the church office or call (741-3737). Make checks payable to "Chapel of the Cross-Lutheran." DEADLINE: Monday, March 29th, at noon. ALSO: Please let the church office know how you want your memorial to read.

Bill and Grace Green would like to thank the congregation for all the prayers, cards and well wishes during our period of illness.

Roberta Loesch would like to thank the congregation for the all the prayer, cards and well wishes during her recent recovery.

The Crosier family would like to thank you, the members of Chapel of the Cross, for your kind expressions of sympathy on the loss of Cathy's mother. Your thoughts, wishes and cards have been a great comfort to all of us.

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*)
Craig Boehmer Sr. (*father-in-law of Christy Boehmer*)
Tanjila Bolden
Lonza Bufford (*cousin of Alexis Cunningham*)
Sadie Bufford (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Elizabeth Cash
Luxora Crawford (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Kathy Doherty (*friend of Fred Schroeder*)
Linda Edgington
Carolyn Faerber
Kymm Fehrs
Lloyd Flint (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Grace Green
Susanna Gregory (*daughter of Gale Damm*)
Melvina Hager
Vickie Holmes (*sister in law of Alexis Cunningham*)
Diane Hurst (*Helping Hands Food Pantry*)
Dawn Iborg
Steve Jones (*relative of Alexis Cunningham*)
Makenzie Lenox (*great-niece of Cindy Vogelsang*)
Roberta Loesch
Cheri Mansfield
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*)
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*)
(*family member of Alexis Cunningham*)
Joyce Weidner
Carol Whiteaker (*former member and cousin of Mark Petersen*)

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*)
Arrión Soll (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)
Richard Steinbrueck (*brother of Leon Steinbrueck*)
Debbie Steinbrueck (*daughter of Joann & Leon Steinbrueck*)
Scott Whiteaker (*former member and cousin of Mark Petersen*)
Bob Woodward (*uncle of Jerry Bowen*)

Those Who Celebrate: Jalil Cleveland upon his 20th birthday on March 7th.

Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer:

Cheryl Boehmer (*mother-in-law of Christy Boehmer*)
Lisa Capehart (*niece 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*)
Denise Hildebrand

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Crocus Books & Gifts: We have tables set up in the Commons with 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). We also have gift ideas.

The Lutheran Convalescent Home Auxiliary is currently conducting its Annual Lenten Benefactor Appeal. The Benefactor Fund assists those residents whose financial resources have been depleted. With spiraling health care costs, the aim of this fundraiser is to contribute to the growing gap between the amount Medicaid pays the Convalescent Home for eligible and actual cost of their care. One hundred percent of your gifts go directly to this Lenten Appeal. Please make checks payable to: LCH Benefactor Fund, 723 S. Laclede Station Rd., Webster Groves, MO 63119.

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.

Every Other Wed. Night Book Study: *Grace Upon Grace: Spirituality for Today* will resume after Lent on April 14.

Sunday morning Zoom Bible Class: Every Sunday at 9:45 AM join our Sunday morning Bible class in Room #9 via Zoom. You can call or email bill.rusnak@chapelofthecross.org for an email invitation.

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.

LIFE TEAM

Life Thought: Abortion occupies an entire business industry. Assisted suicide is driven by financial considerations. And Jesus objects to nothing more strongly than making life and death a matter of commerce (John 2:15-16). He sacrificed Himself instead (John 2:19) so that "you shall not kill" (Exodus 20:13. Why? Because Almighty God chose the lowly for His own (1 Corinthians 1:28-30) – unborn, aged, impaired, even you and me.

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:

Evelyn Seavert – March 7
Philip Hein – March 9
Alexis Cunningham – March 10

M*A*P*P GOD'S WORD

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

John 1:4-5 – "In Him was life, and the life was light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it."

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COMING UP AT CHAPEL

Monday, March 8
7:00 PM Elder's meeting

Tuesday, March 9
2:00 PM Grief Share
6:30 PM Joyful Noise

Wednesday, March 10
11:00 AM and 6:30 PM
Lenten Service
5:30 PM Children's Bell
7:30 PM Chapel Bells

Thursday, March 11
6:30 PM Grief Share

Saturday, March 13
5:00 PM Worship

Sunday, March 14
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

John 2:16 – "And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade."
The Lord's House is not a place to sell, but a place to receive and a place to give. It's not a place for our schemes and plans. Instead the Church is a place for the Lord's gracious giving and our faithful sacrifices in response.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (2/28/2021):
• Worship: 117 and 14 visitors

Last week's offering (2/28/2021):
• General Fund: \$11,208
• Building / Capital Fund: \$945
• 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$90
• 1-1-1 Total for February: \$248

YTD Offerings:
• General Fund: \$97,519
• Building / Capital Fund: \$7,408

YTD Need:
• General Fund: \$128,466
• Building / Capital Fund: \$15,669