

THE CHAPEL Weekly



April 19, 2020

BIBLE STUDY

Sunday Education Hour (9:45 AM) Children & Youth

Posted weekly on-line
(see www.chapelofthecross.org)

Adult Bible Classes

Enduring Faith, Bill Rusnak
(see www.chapelofthecross.org)
*Recorded live at 6:30 p.m. each
Wednesday.*

*Life's Challenges, God's Provisions,
Dave Funke*

(see www.chapelofthecross.org)
*Recorded live on Sundays at
9:45 a.m.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Pictorial Directory! We need YOU to make our directory complete! To celebrate our church family and strengthen the bond within our congregation, we welcome you to be a part of our upcoming new directory.

We are partnering with Lifetouch for this important project. Lifetouch is providing the directory at no cost to our church. Each family photographed receives a **complimentary directory** and a **free 8x10 portrait**. You can sign up for photography by calling the church office at 314-741-3737

Photography Dates: 9/9-9/15 2:00 – 9:00
9/12 10:00 – 5:00

Simply Giving Electronic Giving: Chapel of the Cross offers the convenience of electronic giving. Direct Debt Giving is used to automatically transfer funds from your checking or savings account to the church's bank account. It is convenient for Chapel's members and provides donation consistency for our congregation. Authorization forms and additional information are available at the Welcome Center or from the church office. Call the church office if you have any questions.

Prayer Chain: If you have a prayer concern or request, please call Alice Holtgrewe (314)741-3125.

Bible Studies: Until we can once be together in person, we will be having two online Bible studies during the week. On Wednesday evening at 6:30, Bill Rusnak will be having a study entitled, "Enduring Faith". And on Sunday Mornings at 9:45, Dave Funke will be leading a study called, "Life's Challenges, God's Provisions." If you are interested in being a part of one or both of these studies, send an email to Bill and/or Dave, and they will send you a link for each study you wish to join. We will also be recording them and putting them on our web site for you to watch at your convenience.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...

The names in bold print are new to the prayer list this weekend. The Elder of the Week will lead a time of prayer, praying for each person on the prayer list by name every Sunday at 10:45 a.m. in the Prayer Chapel. You are invited to come and join him in prayer

Those with Health Concerns:

Jan Arban
Joan Arban
Fran Bermel
Lois Boemer (*sister of Joann Steinbrueck*)
Loretta Bolar (*cousin of Alexis Cunningham*)
Tanjila Bolden
Stephanie Bollinger-Drennen (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
Sadie Bufford (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Elizabeth Cash
Doris Coffeit (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
Sharon Cox (*sister of Alexis Cunningham*)
Luxora Crawford (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Kimberly Rice Cunningham (*wife of Robert Cunningham*)
Barbara Davis (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Kathy Doherty (*friend of Fred Schroeder*)
John Edgar (*brother-in-law of Kathy Glenn*)
Linda Edgington
Cheryl Ehmke
Lloyd Flint (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Ann Frederick (*aunt of Jerri Bolden*)
Legend Freeman (*God grandson of Alexis Cunningham*)
Kevin Gibbs (*Gloria Uttley's nephew*)
Sara Gibbs (*Gloria Uttley's niece*)
Susanna Gregory (*daughter of Gale Damm*)
Audrey Helsley (*mother of Cathy Crosier*)
LaFrances Henry (*relative of Alexis Cunningham*)
Barbara Kelly (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Frank Lehner
Makenzie Lenox (*great-niece of Cindy Vogelsang*)

Alan Londe (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
Bella Matakas (*niece of Ken Gerler*)
Carson McNeal (*relative of Alexis Cunningham*)
Meghan Manilla (*grand-daughter of Audrey Luedtke*)
Elsie Meyer
Peggy Miller
Patricia Hayes Mitchell (*sister-in-law of Robert Cunningham*)
Leona Pellegrino (*relative of Alexis Cunningham*)
Darold Pendleton (*nephew of Georgia Thomas*)
Michael Miguel Pohl (*friend of Rosilyn Cunningham Smith*)
David Rubano
Brad Segal (*grandson of Donna Stewart*)
Wandra Seward
Charlene Shanklin (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Geri Sittler
Jean Thomas
Ted Vogel
Joyce Weidner
Annette Williams (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)

Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer:

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*)
Stephen Endsley (*father of Marcy Oliver*)
Betty Endsley (*mother of Marcy Oliver*)
Diane Goetz-Jordan (*step-daughter of Keith Wetzel*)
Agnes Gray (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)
Eddie Hester (*friend of Jay Zvirgzdins*)

Tom Hetrick (*nephew of Audrey Luedtke*)
Denise Hildebrand
Don Kane (*father of Sheri Briley*)
Lyn Lodholz (*daughter of Bill and Annette Rueckert*)
Sherri Mansfield (*friend of Steve and Julie Seibert*)
Mary Moeller (*cousin of Audrey Luedtke*)
Marc Openlander (*grandson of Art Williams*)
Martin Rodgers (*cousin of Jerri Bolden*)
Ellen Saville (*friend of Keith Neuber*)
Nick Schmitt (*husband of Rosilyn Cunningham-Schmitt*)
Debra Schoolcraft (*sister of Kathy Glenn*)
Lincoln Scott (*relative of Alexis Cunningham*)
John Seward
Arriion Soll (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)
Richard Steinbrueck (*brother of Leon Steinbrueck*)
Lisa Steinbrueck (*daughter-in-law of the Steinbruecks*)
Joan Wolf (*relative of Alexis Cunningham*)
Bob Woodward (*uncle of Jerry Bowen*)

For those who celebrate: Robert and Laverne Zurheide for 72 years of marriage on April 17th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

MISSIONS & OUTREACH

Support Eric and Linda Funke and family as they have moved back to the U.S. in March. It is recommended that when missionaries return, they take time to intentionally process their experiences as they begin to adjust to life in the U.S. The program they will be a part of costs \$3000. We at Chapel understand the need for this and want to support them in this. If you would like to support them, make checks payable to Chapel of the Cross and write in the memo line: "Funke Re-entry Program." You may put it in the offering plate or bring it to the church office. Thank you for your support.

FAMILY MINISTRY

Confirmation: We are officially postponing our May 3rd Rite of Confirmation. Students and parents are completing their course of study online through chapelofthecross.org. Mr. Rusnak has provided the Faith Testimony Project information to our students. While we have not set the new date for our Confirmation weekend – this project should be in progress and completed and submitted by May 15. Please contact Mr. Rusnak with any questions.

High School Summer Mission Opportunity: Mr. Rusnak has spoken to the Camp Restore – Detroit leadership and agrees that this trip should be on hold until further notice. All High School students have been contacted with this news and will receive updates as they become available.

LIFE TEAM

Life Thought: Conditions like cancer and dementia pose significant struggle. Pregnancies affected by poverty, disability, or sexual assault involve real difficulties. Abortion or physician-assisted suicide may seem like resolutions. Yet intentionally ending innocent life opposes God and will fail (Acts 5:38-39) to secure any ultimate peace or comfort. Instead trust, wait, and rejoice (1 Peter 1:5-6): God's gifts and His works – even amid suffering – no one and nothing can overthrow.

M*A*P*P GOD'S WORD

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

This week we will combine the previous weeks passages from Psalm 51:1-17. This powerful Psalm for Lent and Easter points out who we are as sinners, how God works to forgive us, and our responses to His grace.

¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. ² Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. ³ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. ⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge. ⁵ Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. ⁶ Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place. ⁷ Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. ⁸ Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. ⁹ Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. ¹⁰ Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. ¹¹ Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. ¹² Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. ¹³ Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will turn back to you. ¹⁴ Save me from bloodguilt, O God, the God who saves me, and my tongue will sing of your righteousness. ¹⁵ O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. ¹⁶ You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings. ¹⁷ The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

COMING UP AT CHAPEL

All worship services have been moved on-line. All scheduled activities have been postponed. Check www.chapelofthecross.org for links to worship services and updates on rescheduled events.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

John 20:19 – “On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, Peace be with you.” Jesus spends a lot of His time telling the disciples to not be afraid. Our fears constantly hem us in and prevent us from following the Lord's will. But there is no need to fear. Jesus has conquered. No fear can keep us locked up. We have been set free by Jesus for lives that declare His marvelous deeds.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's offering (4/12/2020):

- General Fund: \$31,118
- Building / Capital Fund: \$1,505
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$10

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$190,148
- Building / Capital Fund: \$18,526

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$214,110
- Building / Capital Fund: \$26,115

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