

# THE CHAPEL Weekly



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*Living in faith, hope, and love*

April 21, 2024

## 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

## Announcements

**Gateway Bell Ringers** in concert at Chapel of the Cross on Sunday, April 28 at 4:00 p.m. The Gateway Ringers is an auditioned community choir comprised of handbell ringers from the St. Louis metropolitan area. Their mission is to inspire excellence in musicianship and heighten awareness of handbell music. The group was formed in 1995.

**Special Bible Class with Dr. Kent Bureson** Dr. Kent Bureson, Professor of Systematic Theology at Concordia Seminary, will be our special Bible class leader for four weeks starting Sunday, April 14. Class will meet in the sanctuary starting at 9:45 a.m. Class topic: Resurrection hope is the bedrock for our funeral and burial practices. We bury our baptized dead in the promise that like our Lord Jesus, God will raise them and us on the Last Day to enter God's new creation. We should care for our dying and our dead in ways that flow from this resurrection promise and what we believe and teach about the Triune God who created and redeemed our bodies. Yet, modern funerals often bear witness to things inconsistent with this Christian confession about death and resurrection. Renewing our funeral and burial practices means returning to the practices of natural burial as our Christian forebears buried their dead (think *Little House on the Prairie*). This four week study will introduce this approach to burial and serve as a foretaste of Dr. Beth Hoeltke's and my book, *Lay Me in God's Good Earth*, from InterVarsity Press, in print on August 20, 2024.

**LAMP Mission trip TJ's sale:** This summer's LAMP Mission teams are selling TJs pizzas and desserts now through May 19. Delivery will be in early June. All proceeds will go toward supporting the mission trip July 24 – August 5. You can place your order on the forms in the Welcome Center. Payment can be made in the LAMP box at the Welcome Center or in the church office. Thank you for your support!

**The flowers** on the altar are in thanksgiving to the Lord for the love of my family and my church family. Clara Mueller

**The rose** on the baptismal font is given in celebration of Vince Seibert's 28<sup>th</sup> birthday. Steve and Julie Seibert

**The yellow rose** on the baptismal font is in loving memory of Velva Z. 16<sup>th</sup> anniversary in heaven.

**The Radio Broadcast** is being sponsored by Bill and Lois Westbrook in celebration of their 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

## 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  
Clyde Dempsey (*father of Julie Seibert*)  
Linda Edgington  
Kymm Fehrs  
Aulderay Fields  
Darlene Franklin (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)  
John Gassner (*cousin of Gloria Uttley*)  
Susanna Gregory (*daughter of Gale Damm*)  
Carolyn Hanneman  
Rita Hayes (*sister of Jim Crosier*)  
Donna Heinrich  
Virgil Hoffmann  
Dennis Iborg (*brother-in-law of Dawn Iborg*)  
Marlo Johnson  
Jordan Jones (*friend of Ervin Wilson*)  
Frank Jones (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)  
Paul Kelly (*father of Rosalyn Cunningham Schmitt*)  
Joyce Lackey  
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 Ruecket  
Rosalyn Cunningham Schmitt (*mother of Robert Cunningham III*)  
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 Tegtmeyer  
Dale Ternaprovich (*brother of Joyce Lackey*)  
Jean Thomas  
Glenda Tubbs (*Food Pantry*)  
Mickie Wallerstein (*friend of Bill & Marilyn Miller*)  
Kristin Wills (*sister of John & Jay Zvirgzdins*)

### 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*)  
Pamela Leonard (*daughter of Julie Griffith*)  
Cheryl Linton (*sister-in-law of Joseph Miano*)  
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*)

**Seminarians and Their Families:** As they receive their calls and vicarage placements this week—especially Chapel's fieldworkers: **Jacob Anderson, Jed McClellan, and Adam Rouse**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

**Mary-Martha Guild** will hold its annual Installation Dinner on Monday June 10, 2024 at church. It will be catered by Catering to You. Information on the meal and reservation forms are located at the bookstore. Paid reservations in the amount of \$22.00 must be received by no later than Monday June 3, 2024. Please place your reservation form in the Mary-Martha Guild mailbox in the church office or contact Roberta Loesch at 314-910-8749 or 314-741-3737.

**The Food Pantry** could use canned fruit, tuna, canned pasta and cereal. Also if you didn't donate to Girl Scouts April Showers, we are a donation site. Thank you.

**Chapel Travelers:** Join us on our Branson Trip, Tuesday, May 21 and Wednesday, May 22. The itinerary is at the Welcome Center. The cost with a full bus of 55 – is \$235 for double occupancy and \$275 for single occupancy. Contact Ken Kreitner or Bill Rusnak for details. Register today - ***We need 35 more to attend before 4/22 Tuesday or we will need to reschedule perhaps in the Fall.***

**Concordia University Wisconsin Choir Concert** The Concordia University Wisconsin Kammerchor (German for "chamber choir") will sing in concert at Chapel of the Cross as part of their Spring tour on **Tuesday, May 7 at 7:00 p.m.** Kammerchor is an auditioned mixed voice ensemble which sings a wide variety of choral literature from the Renaissance to the present. Kammerchor has sung in worship and concert virtually all over the continental USA, several times in Canada, and overseas in locations as varied as Brazil, China, and several locations in Europe. Join us for this special choral concert!

**Volunteers Needed:** Chapel will be preparing a dinner for the CUW Choir prior to their concert on May 7. We are looking for volunteers to prepare food, as well as help serve and clean up. If you would be interested in serving in this way, please sign up at the welcome center or see Ryan Meyer for more information. Thank you for your help!

**Sunday Donuts:** Please help us by joining our "Donut Crew" for Sunday Pickup. Kindly come to and write your name on the Welcome Center Sign-Up page.

**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!

**North St. Louis County Listening Tour** Great Rivers Greenway is exploring where pedestrian and bike connections can be improved in the areas of Black Jack, Bridgeton, Florissant, Hazelwood, Old Jamestown, Spanish Lake, and Unincorporated St. Louis County. Visit [www.greatriversgreenway.org/noco](http://www.greatriversgreenway.org/noco) to share your thoughts and opinions.

## LIFE TEAM

The Gracious Savior brings a delightful clarity to life-and-death issues and situations. Killing and destroying belongs entirely to the work of the devil. The people of God advocate and extend abundant, everlasting life to the Lord's every last little lamb. Unto all our neighbors, with both our voice and our goods, may we "come that they may have life and have it abundantly!"

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:

Jan Hahn - April 30

## MAPP GOD'S WORD

**1 Thessalonians 5:23-** "And very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

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## Coming up at Chapel

### Monday – April 2

7:00 PM Board of Elders

### Wednesday, April 24

6:30 PM Bible Study

6:30 PM Children's Handbells

7:30 PM Chapel Bells

### Thursday, April 25

6:15 PM Joyful Noise

7:00 PM Choral Singers

### Saturday, April 27

5:00 PM Worship Service

### Sunday, April 28

8:30 AM Worship Service

9:45 AM Youth and Adult Bible Study

11:00 AM Worship Service

4:00 PM Gateway Ringers Concert

## STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

**John 10:14 – "I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me."** What does this mean to know the Lord? It starts with being known by the Lord: He claims us as His own and calls us by name. Then, once we are His, we learn to know Him, and knowing Him, we learn to imitate Him. That is how the Christian life of good works and generosity grows from the Lord's grace.

## HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (4/14/2024):

- Worship 199 and 13 visitors

Last week's offering (4/14/2024):

- General Fund: \$11,123
- Building / Capital Fund: \$1,236
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$72

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$223,268
- Building / Capital Fund: \$19,150

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$213,135
- Building / Capital Fund: \$26,115