BIBLE STUDY

Bible class for adults

Sundays at 9:45 am in Room #9.

Sunday school for children

Sundays at 9:45 am in the lower level

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Return to "Normal"

Following the recommendations from the CDC, Chapel lifted the mask mandate for those who are fully vaccinated. Per CDC guidelines, those who are not fully vaccinated should continue to wear masks. For those wishing to continue to wear masks, even if vaccinated, you certainly are welcome to do so.

The Board of Elders are also looking forward to implementing a plan over time to return to "normal" in our worship and fellowship. Already the Bibles and hymnals have been returned to the pews, we are singing all hymns once again, and ushers are distributing bulletins and passing the offering plate and we have begun continuous communion.

- The weekend of July 25, lay readers will begin serving.
- The weekend of August 8, we will begin to receive communion at the altar and return the Greeting of Peace in the worship service.

Thank you for your patience and your flexibility as we navigate these changes.

Weekend Vacation Bible School, August 6-8, 2021: Families and children of all ages are invited to Chapel's 2021 Weekend Vacation Bible School Adventure; Passport to Peru!

Passport to Peru will immerse kids and families in the vibrant culture of Peru through Bible adventures, games, food, songs, and video visits with Peruvian kids as they discover God's good gifts for all! Passport to Peru Weekend Bible School will be held:

Friday, August 6 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 7 from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (lunch will provided)

Sunday August 8 from 9:45 a.m.-12:00 (includes worship at 11:00 a.m. and a light reception after the service).

Parents and caregivers are invited to join their kids for this fun-filled weekend! All children who are not accompanied by an adult need to be at least six years old. Register at Chapel of the Cross in the commons area, or call the church office at 314-741-3737.

If you have any questions, please call the church office and leave a message for Mary Laesch.

The flowers on the altar are in honor of Zachary Simon's 25th birthday from his parents John and Mary Simon.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

The names in bold print are new to the prayer list this weekend.

Those with Health Concerns:

Jan Arhan Joan Arban

Scott Barber (friend of Nancy Swoboda)

Tanjila Bolden

Shirline Bower Katelyn Bracher

Betty Brooks (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Lonza Bufford (cousin of Alexis Cunningham) Sadie Bufford (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Elizabeth Cash

Luxora Crawford (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Bea Daugherty

Kathy Doherty (friend of Fred Schroeder)
Marge Dubray (Food Pantry)

Linda Edgington

Kymm Fehrs Lloyd Flint (friend of Alexis Cunningham)

Rev. Micah Glenn

Susanna Gregory (daughter of Gale Damm)

Carolyn Hanneman

Vickie Holmes (sister in law of Alexis Cunningham)

Dr. James Hudson (cousin of Alexis Cunningham) Steve Jones (relative of Alexis Cunningham)
Jamie Kirkpatrick (Audrey Luedtke's grandson) Joyce Lackey

Cheryl Lacy (Food Pantry client)

Makenzie Lenox (great-niece of Cindy Vogelsang) 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)

Mel Neustadt

Paula Pavia

Petersen)

Darold Pendleton (nephew of Georgia Thomas) Karen Rae (relative of Maire Trelz)

Ron Rammaha (friend of Robert Cunningham) Mary Jo Reimann (Audrey Luedtke's daughter) Jean Thomas

Rebecca Trump (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Ola's Ugobo (friend of Robert Cunningham) Abby VanArsedale (friend of Jayme Z.) Ted Vogel

Dorothy Walker (Aunt of Jerri Bolden)
Charles Ward (friend of Alexis Cunningham)
Lionel Ward (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Hsea Wells (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Carol Whiteaker (former member and cousin of Mark

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) Kenneth Fuchs (former LHSN band director) Diane Goetz-Jordan (step-daughter of Keith Wetzel) Agnes Gray (friend of Jerri Bolden)
Denise Hildebrand Tom Krauter, Jr, (son of Tom Krauter)

Mike Lee (friend of Nancy Swoboda) Mary Moeller (cousin of Audrey Luedtke) Mary Oberman (friend of Lisa Hager)
Marc Openlander (grandson of Art Williams) Martin Rodgers (cousin of Jerri Bolden) Ellen Saville (friend of Keith Neuber) Lincoln Scott (relative of Alexis Cunningham) Arrion Soll (friend of Jerri Bolden) Debbie Steinbrueck (daughter of Joann & Leon Steinbrueck) Joann Steinbrueck Chris Turmenstein (friend of Glenn and Joyce Lackey Gloria Uttley Scott Whiteaker (former member and cousin of Mark

Those Who Mourn: The family and loved ones of **Marla Ackerman** who died in the Lord on July 12^{th} .

Bob Woodward (uncle of Jerry Bowen)

Those Who Celebrate:

Megan and Page Hereford and family upon the baptism of their daughter Kaitlyn Joy on Saturday July 17.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

GriefShare is a national faith-based organization that forms grief support groups for those who have lost loved to death to help them in the healing process. 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 August 10 and 12, 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. Contact Bill Rusnak at Chapel of the Cross (741-3737) for more information.

Evening Prayer Services: Chapel will once again be offering Evening Prayer Services throughout the summer months. We will meet in the *Sanctuary* at 6:30 pm the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month. Please contact Ryan Meyer for any questions.

July 21st August 4th and 18th

Choir Meeting: All singers are invited to attend an informal gathering where we can re-connect, discuss our thoughts and plans about the future, and hopefully meet some new faces! So whether you are a returning singer or have never sung with us before, please consider joining us on **Thursday, July 22, at 7:00 pm.** Please let me know in advance if you are able to attend. There will be a sign up sheet at the welcome center, or contact the church office. I hope to see you all there! In Christ, Ryan Meyer

National Youth Gathering: Next summer, the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod will host the National Youth Gathering! This happens once every three years and is open to all incoming freshman (8th graders this next year) through seniors. This time the Gathering will be held in Houston, TX, July 9-14, 2022. Here is the website, https://lcmsgathering.com/. We are starting to plan for this event and want to know if you are interested in having your child attend. There is a cost involved, but we will work to ensure that all expenses are reasonable for everyone. If you are interested, please let me know. At this point, we do not need adult chaperones to volunteer, as we should have all the adult leadership needed. If that changes, we will be sure to let you know.

LIFE TEAM

Life Thought: Abortion and assisted suicide may appear to be compassionate measures. But while they deaden the culture to some discomforts, they actually deny support to unborn and impaired persons. By contrast, Jesus has compassion on the whole multitude with no exceptions, because He perceives how the world has abandoned them (Mark 6:34). He feeds them instead of forsaking (Mark 6:41). And the Gospel extends abundant life from fertilization to forever.

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:

Carole Lehner – July 21 Wandra Seward – July 23

M*A*P*P GOD'S WORD

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

Romans 12:11-13 - "not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality."

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COMING UP AT CHAPEL

Wednesday, July 21 6:30 PM Evening Prayer Service

Thursday, July 22 7:00 PM Choir Meeting

Saturday, July 24 5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, July 25 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Youth and Adult Bible Study 9:45 AM Sunday School 3:00 PM Ellory Glenn's ordination

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Ephesian 2:13 – "But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ." What all of mankind's efforts, works, and scheming could not do, the blood of Christ did. We have peace with God, and we are brought near to the Father. This life-giving sacrifice of Christ sets the pattern for the sacrifices we are called to make for others within our vocation in home, church, and society.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (7/11/2021):

• Worship: 146 and 7 visitors

Last week's offering (7/11/2021):

• General Fund: \$9,552

• Building / Capital Fund: \$675

• 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$60

YTD Offerings:

• General Fund: \$351,407

• Building / Capital Fund: \$37,886

YTD Need:

General Fund: \$399,672

Building / Capital Fund: \$48,478