



CHAPEL OF
THE CROSS
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Living in faith, hope, and love

THE CHAPEL

Weekly

July 19, 2020

BIBLE STUDY

Bible class for adults and Sunday school for children

Will continue to be posted weekly on-line

(see www.chapelofthecross.org)

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**

Summer 2020 Bible Study: Chapel of the Cross is offering a study of the weekly Bible readings on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. through September 2. These studies are offered through the online Zoom video format and are recorded live and posted on Chapel's Website by Saturday each week. Anyone wishing to participate in these live sessions should phone the church office or email bill.rusnak@chapelofthecross.org to receive the link by email. These sessions are led by members of Chapel's staff.

GriefShare – New Sessions: GriefShare is a national faith-based organization that forms grief support groups for those who have lost loved ones to death to help them in the healing process. It is a 14 week program which you can join at any time. Chapel of the Cross is once again offering this two times, Tuesdays from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., and Thursdays from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., starting August 11 and 13. 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 special program. Contact Bill Rusnak at Chapel of the Cross (741-3737) for more information, or to let us know you will be coming.

Dear Chapel Family and friends, Thank you very much for your concern during my recent hospitalization. I thank God for and appreciate all the cards, texts and messages I have received with your love and prayers. I am at home now and gaining strength with the help of my loving care-giver, Steve. Hopefully back to normal soon. Praise God from Whom all blessing flow. Carolyn Brutlag.

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
Sherry Baker (*friend of the Glenn Lackey*)
Loretta Bolar (*cousin of Alexis Cunningham*)
Tanjila Bolden
Stephanie Bollinger-Drennen (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
Carolyn Brutlag
Lonza Bufford (*cousin of Alexis Cunningham*)
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*)
Bea Daugherty
Barbara Davis (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Norm Deady
Kathy Doherty (*friend of Fred Schroeder*)
John Edgar (*brother-in-law of Kathy Glenn*)
Linda Edgington
Cheryl Ehmke
Carolyn Faerber
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*)
Elsie Meyer
Patricia Hayes Mitchell (*sister-in-law of Robert Cunningham*)
Leona Pellegrino (*relative of Alexis Cunningham*)
Gregory Pellegrino (*relative of Alexis Cunningham*)
Darold Pendleton (*nephew of Georgia Thomas*)
Michael Miguel Pohl (*friend of Rosilyn Cunningham Smith*)
Thuefugar Rammaha (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Virginia Schmidt
Brad Segal (*grandson of Donna Stewart*)
Wandra Seward
Charlene Shanklin (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Geri Sitler
Linda Smythe (*sister of Michael Smythe*)
Jean Thomas
Jason Uttley
Ted Vogel
Stephanie Whalum (*niece of Alexis Cunningham*)
Joyce Weidner
Annette Williams (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller (*St. Pauls Church Austin, TX*)
Sam Woolsey (*brother-in-law of Joyce Lackey*)

Mike Dunn (*uncle of Rick Christian*)
Christy Elfrink (*friend of Mark Petersen*)
Betty Endsley (*mother of Marcy Oliver*)
Jane Goetz-Jordan (*step-daughter of Keith Wetzel*)
Agnes Gray (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)
Eddie Hester (*friend of Jay Zvirgzdins*)
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
Arrion 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*)

Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer:

Lisa Capehart (*niece of Art Williams*)
Tracey Cottrell (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Mike Datillo (*uncle of Jayme Zvirgzdins*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

CrossRoads – Contributions for the September-October issue of CrossRoads are due Sunday, July 26. Please put them in the CrossRoads box or mail them to church by the due date.

Crocus Bookstore: If anyone is in need of cards or gifts during the time that the bookstore is closed, you can come up during the week and someone in the office can help you.

Helping Hands Food Pantry: During the COVID-19 pandemic we are still serving our neighbors with drive-through food pick up on Thursdays. **Note:** we are no longer able to accept recycled bags due to the pandemic.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, send it to the church with Food Pantry on the memo line. Food items (no glass) and health and beauty supplies can be dropped off at the church and placed in the grocery cart.

Thank you for your continued support of the food pantry.

FAMILY MINISTRY

Chapel 2020 VBS - Rainforest Explorers Virtual Vacation Bible School

At Rainforest Explorers Virtual VBS, families learned that Jesus leads the way! Jesus treasures us, and He is our treasure! He leads the way to eternal life with Him! If you wish to donate to our Mission Project: **Papua New Guinea**, we are receiving gifts through **July 27, 2020**.

LIFE TEAM

Life Thought: Surprise pregnancies often come with many burdens. Terminal diagnoses may mean intense suffering. But our Lord and Savior promises these circumstances also bring returns that far exceed the costs (Romans 8:18). He draws near and dwells with us in all our afflictions (Romans 8:26) and cultivates a life that's greater than physical comforts – like resurrection smuggles under cover of crucifixion and a harvest of wheat safely hidden to blossom behind weeds (Matthew 13:30)

Save the Date! Mental Health Zoom Presentation

Please save the date! The COTC Life Team is hosting a mental health presentation by Chrissie Gillet on Thursday, July 30th, at 7:00pm. Chrissie is the Word of Hope Director at Lutherans for Life and is an excellent speaker. She is so good that we were going to bring her all the way here from Wisconsin! Under the current circumstances, she has agreed to do a Zoom presentation instead. She is a deaconess and has a doctorate in clinical psychology. She will be speaking about mental health from a Christian point of view on topics including coping with current issues, anxiety, and warning signs of suicide. She will also be talking about how to focus, reconnect, and serve people during these trying times. We are hoping to have high attendance, including people from other churches. Please spread the word!

M*A*P*P GOD'S WORD

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

Psalm 68 A song of David/God Shall Scatter His Enemies
The Lord brought salvation to Israel in the exodus – verses 1-6

Monday-Tuesday- Psalm 68-9 – You gave abundant showers, O God; you refreshed your weary inheritance.

Wednesday-Thursday – Psalm 68-10 – Your people settled in it, and from your bounty, O God, you provided for the poor.

Friday-Saturday-Combine the two previous passages

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COMING UP AT CHAPEL

Saturday, July 25

5:00 PM Worship

Sunday, July 26

8:30 AM Worship

11:00 AM Worship

Thursday, July 30

7:00 PM LifeTeam Zoom presentation

In-person worship will be limited-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

Romans 8:18 – “For consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.” It is very easy to get caught up in the present and lose track of our ultimate destiny in the Kingdom of God. St. Paul encourages us to keep eternity in mind. This certainly has an application to our support for the Gospel. If we keep our focus on “the glory to be revealed,” we will see our tithes and offerings in a new light.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (7/12/2020):

- Worship: 84

Last week's offering (7/12/2020):

- General Fund: \$5,238
- Building / Capital Fund: \$165
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$35

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$345,428
- Building / Capital Fund: \$33,589

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$399,672
- Building / Capital Fund: \$48,748