

BIBLE STUDY

Sunday 9:45 am Bible classes: Lower Level

Weekly Readings 9:45 am Room #9
Children's Sunday School Room #2 & #4
Senior High Youth Room
Youth Confirmation Room #8
Upper Level

Luther's Large Catechism Room A,

Wednesday 6:30 pm

Hebrews Room #8.
Through May.
Printed Lesson Copies are at the
Welcome Center

Announcements

Donate to Match Funds for VBS Water Filter Mission Project!

Chapel of the Cross, Grace Chapel, and Blessed Savior Lutheran Churches joined together to host an amazing VBS: God's Living Water! The children brought in offerings to help purchase water filters for families in Malawi, Africa. Each water filter is \$10 and provides clean water for a family of 10-12 for up to 10 years! The VBS kids have challenged the three churches to each match the \$150 that they donated. You can put your offering in an envelope from the pews and place it in the offering basket. Please write "VBS Mission Project" on the envelope. Thank you!

Thank You: My family and I wanted to sincerely thank you for your very warm welcome and attendance at my installation this last weekend. We look forward to getting to know everyone this upcoming year and are excited to see what God has in store for us. God has truly blessed us with our new church family and we look forward to serving the Lord and serving Chapel of the Cross. In Christ, Vicar Brett Arrasmith.

Individuals wishing to join Chapel of the Cross, those who have recently joined, and members who've been a part of our church family for any amount of time are invited to our 2023 member orientation meeting held on **Sunday, August 6 at 12:30 p.m.** During this meeting we get a chance to learn about Chapel of the Cross, ask questions, enjoy a light lunch, and take a walking tour of our facilities. Please sign up at the Welcome Center on or before, Wednesday, August 2, or phone the church office - so we may have a count of those attending. This light and informal meeting is a great way for all of us to get to know our sisters and brothers in Christ.

GriefShare Chapel of the Cross is once again offering GriefShare two times, Tuesdays from 2:00-4:00 p.m., and Thursday from 6:30-8:30 p.m., starting August 8 and 10. 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 was. Contact Bill Rusnak for more information..

The flowers on the altar are in loving memory of Kenneth Lee Iborg on his 74th birthday and in loving memory of Martin Trelz on Martin and Maire's 59th anniversary.

In Our Prayers this week...

Those with Health Concerns:

Jan Arban
Willie Ball (friend of Aulderay Fields)
Tracy Ball (friend of Aulderay Fields)
Carter Bass (grandson of Doug & Marlo Stuart)
Ellen Bauer (food pantry)
Vivian Berry
Loretta Bolar (cousin of Alexis Cunningham)
Tanjila Bolden
Mardell Brown (friend of Georgia Thomas)
Sharon Casey (friend of Julie Griffith)
Ivy Rose Clark (relative of Alexis Cunningham)
Sharon Cole (friend of Bud & Gail Shultz)
Ortez Crawford
Kim Cunningham (daughter-in-law to Alexis Cunningham)
Donna Dansberry (sister of Alexis Cunningham)
Linda Edgington
Kymm Fehrs
Aulderay Fields
David Funke
John Gasner (cousin of Gloria Uttley)
Bill Green
Susanna Gregory (daughter of Gale Damm)
Carolyn Hanneman
Rita Hayes (sister of Jim Crosier)
Darryal Hughes (cousin of Aulderay Fields)
Angela Jones (friend of Georgia Thomas)
Althea Jackson (sister-in-law to Vernida Summers)

LaVoe Jackson (friend of Vernida Summers)
Jordan Jones (friend of Ervin Wilson)
Paul Kelly (father of Rosalyn Cunningham Schmitt)
Marilyn Koester (Diane Timm's cousin)
Joyce Lackey
Manfred Loesch
Malu Martin (sister of Cathy Crosier)
Bella Matakas (niece of Ken Gerler)
Duane McCain (uncle of John & Jay Zvirgzdins)
Rose McKay (friend of Alexis Cunningham)
Katy Moran (friend of Jon Rogers)
Billy Nelson (food pantry)
Jewel O'Neil (friend of Alexis Cunningham)
Leona Pellegrino (god-daughter of Alexis Cunningham)
Darold Pendleton (nephew of Georgia Thomas)
Steve Quest (loved one of Sandy Streicher)
Karen Rae (relative of Maire Trelz)
B.J. Rohmann (friend of Mark Petersen)
Henry Scott (friend of Georgia Thomas)
Bud Shultz
Gail Shultz
Rosilyn Schmitt (mother of Robert Cunningham)
Agnes Soll (friend of Jerri Bolden)
Johnnie Spears
Dale Ternaprovich (brother of Joyce Lackey)
Jean Thomas
Joey Totra (grandson of Karen Totra)
Charles Ward (friend of Alexis Cunningham)
Lionel Ward (friend of Alexis Cunningham)
Hsea Wells (friend of Alexis Cunningham)
Michael Wiegand (food pantry)
Stacy Wiegand (food pantry)
Terri Zvirgzdins

Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer:

Momma Boschert (mother of Julie Seibert's co-worker)
Tammy Bushman (daughter of Mike and Jean Mueller)
Lisa Capehart (niece of Art Williams)
Bob Crecelius (brother of Roy Crecelius)
Janet Dickhudt (friend of the Luedtke family)
Diane Goetz-Jordan (step-daughter of Keith Wetzel)
Agnes Gray (friend of Jerri Bolden)
Tom Hetrick (nephew of Audrey Luedtke)
Justin Hodge (friend of Jon Rogers)
Karin Hornig (sister of Doris Truetken)
Bianca Jackson (friend of Vernida Summers)
Stan Jones (cousin of Marilyn Miller)
Charles Jost (grandson of Marlene Crawford)
Bob Krauter
Tom Krauter, Jr. (son of Tom Krauter)
Cheryl Linton (sister-in-law of Joseph Miano)
Mary Jo Loberg
Gary Mantei
Amy Marler (friend of Caroline Moss)
Mary Oberman (friend of Lisa Hager)
Marc Openlander (grandson of Art Williams)
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)
Bob Woodward (uncle of Jerry Bowen)
Norma Young (friend of Alexis Cunningham)

Those Who Mourn: The family and friends of **Elsie Meyer** who died in Lord on July 24th.

Those Who Celebrate: **David and Doris Eggers** upon their 50th wedding anniversary on August 5th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Summer Evening Prayer: Please join us for Holden Evening Prayers services this summer in the small chapel. Services will be held at 6:00 p.m. on the first and third Wednesdays of June, July, and August. Please mark your calendars to attend these brief, but special services! **August 2 & 16**

Grace Chapel Early School, located at 10015 Lance Dr., Bellefontaine Neighbors, MO, is looking for a Preschool Aide (M-TH)/Teacher (F) for about 29 hours/week and a Toddler/Preschool Aide (M,W,TH,F) for about 21 hours/week. Applicants must love Jesus and children and be willing to assist in material preparation, learning activities, child supervision, and bathroom/diaper duties. Also, applicants need to be able to lift children, if necessary. If interested, please contact Lisa Fackler at 314-867-6564 ext. 112 or by email at lfackler@gracechapelstl.org.

Life Team: Please join the Life Team for a pizza lunch after the late service on Sunday, August 6th! We are going to view a short 2-part video series by Focus on the Family that gives some ideas of how to discuss your life affirming views with other people. It is called "Expressing Pro-life Views in Winsome Ways." Please sign up at the welcome desk if you would like to attend.

Don't Throw Out That Bible! Do you have old Bibles and other Christian literature that you could part with? Through the end of the summer, on behalf of **Love Packages**, Chapel will be collecting Bibles, Sunday school materials, and other Christian books to send the Word of God to those who do not have it. Love Packages supports international mission work by sending the Gospel to the ends of the earth by putting donated Bibles and other Christian literature into the hands of people around the world. Bring your donations to the box in the Commons Area by Sunday, August 20. See <https://lovepackages.org> to view an inspiring ministry video!

The Helping Hands Food Pantry is in need of canned meats, canned pastas and canned fruit.

Sunday Fellowship Donuts: We have resumed our order and need people to join our **Donut Delivery Crew!** Old Town Donuts 510 N New Florissant Road Florissant, MO 63031 Sunday 8:00 am. Sign-up at the Welcome Center.

MUSIC

Chapel Bells are in need of some new ringers for the Fall! If you've ever considered joining Chapel's handbell choir, now is the perfect time! Rehearsals won't start until September, but will be each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. If you would like more information, or have any questions, please contact Jen Schmidt or Ryan Meyer. Hope to see you in the Fall!

Summer Choir: Chapel is once again offering a special choir during the summer months. We rehearse through the end of July (we sing through the end of August). Rehearsals will be each Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the choir room located on the lower level. Please contact Ryan Meyer if you are interested in joining us!

LIFE TEAM

Why should anxiety over expenses darken a terminal diagnosis? Why should panic about poverty affect a surprise pregnancy? He who sends mouths also sends meat, even conjuring necessities out of thin air. Our gracious Savior bestows in abundance, and the Body of Christ knows how to share. If God spends His riches on relationships, how can we do any better?

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 2023, 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:

Lynn Freund – August 5
Bill Green – August 6

MAPP GOD’S WORD

1 Corinthians 9:6- “But this I say, He who sows sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he who sows bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposes in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work.”

Coming up at Chapel

Wednesday, August 2
6:00 PM Holden Evening Prayer

Saturday, August 5
5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, August 6
8:30 AM Worship Service
9:45 AM Youth & Adult Bible Study
11:00 AM Worship Service

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Matthew 13:45-46 – “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.” Indeed, Jesus redeemed us, purchased us back from sin and death, with all that He had. We belong to Him now. Our generosity ought to imitate the out-sized generosity of Jesus.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week’s attendance (7/23/2023):
• Worship 192 and 46 visitors

Last week’s offering (7/23/2023):
• General Fund: \$11,389
• Building / Capital Fund: \$571
• 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$62

YTD Offerings:
• General Fund: \$369,654
• Building / Capital Fund: \$30,584

YTD Need:
• General Fund: \$428,220
• Building / Capital Fund: \$52,330