

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

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. Our next prayer service is August 18 at 6:30 pm

Concordia Seminary Concert Series: Come and enjoy the gift of music during the kickoff of our 2021-22 Concordia Seminary Concert Series! The public is invited to participate in the Opening Weekend Hymn Festival at 3 p.m. CT Sunday, Aug. 29 in the Chapel of St. Timothy and St. Titus. The festival will feature Dr. James Marriott, the Kreft Chair for Music Arts, as well as the St. Louis Lutheran Chorale. We hope to see you there! You also can live stream the service at http://ow.ly/KFuz50Fz9yt.Learn more at https://www.csl.edu/.../concordia-seminary-concert-series/.

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, <u>https://lcmsgathering.com/</u>. 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.

The Bach Society of St. Louis will be performing a concert here at Chapel of the Cross on Saturday, October 23, at 3:00 pm. Their concert will be open to the community and free of charge! We are very blessed to be able to host this acclaimed choir – please mark your calendars to attend this special event!

The rose on the altar is in honor of Morgan Gaeke's 28th birthday on August 16th.

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 Tanjila Bolden Shirline Bower Katelyn Bracher Betty Brooks (friend 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 Susanna Gregory (daughter of Gale Damm) Carolyn Hanneman Dr. James Hudson (cousin of Alexis Cunningham) Steve Jones (relative of Alexis Cunningham) Jamie Kirkpatrick (Audrey Luedtke's grandson) Joyce Lackey 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 Darold Pendleton (nephew of Georgia Thomas) Pat Phipps

Karen Rae (relative of Maire Trelz) Ron Rammaha (friend of Robert Cunningham) Mary Jo Reimann (Audrey Luedtke's daughter) **Rataka Rohman** (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Shirley Stroud (friend of Nancy Swoboda) Leona Tellegrino (god-daughter of Alexis Cunningham) Jean Thomas Marcia Turvold 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) Hsea Wells (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Carol Whiteaker (former member and cousin of Mark Petersen) **Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer:**

Cheryl Boehmer (mother-in-law of Christy Boehmer) Lisa Capehart (niece of Art Williams) Mike Datillo (uncle of Jayme Zvirgzdins) Brian Diekgraefe (friend of Mark Petersen) 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) Rocky Rhodes (friend of Nancy Swoboda) Martin Rodgers (cousin of Jerri Bolden) Ellen Saville (friend of Keith Neuber) Lincoln Scott (relative of Alexis Cunningham) Arrion Soll (friend of Jerri Bolden) Eloise Srednicki (cousin of Tim Brown) Debbie Steinbrueck (daughter of Leon Steinbrueck) Chris Turmenstein (friend of Glenn and Joyce Lackey Gloria Uttley Scott Whiteaker (former member and cousin of Mark Petersen) Bob Woodward (uncle of Jerry Bowen)

Those Who Mourn: Mike & Ellen Smythe upon the death of Mike's mother Fran on Wednesday August 11th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Starting Dates for Music Ensembles:

Children's Handbells (grades 3-8) – Begins Wednesday, September 8 at 6:30 pm Chapel Bells (Adult Handbells) – Begins Wednesday, September 8 at 7:30 pm Joyful Noise (**NEW DAY & TIME**) – Begins Thursday, September 9 at 6:15 pm Choral Singers (**NEW DAY & TIME**) – Begins Thursday, September 9 at 7:00 pm

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT CHAPEL OF THE CROSS - FALL 2021

Sunday Mornings:

A. Our Current Lutheran Hour series: *Nourishing Your Faith* if on Forgiveness is on track to conclude August 15. The next weeks will cover Prayer (Intercession, Gratitude, Confession, and Praise) This series continues through September 5.

B. This adult class will pair and extend the content of the Children's study using the topical CPH study titled *Enduring Faith* on September 12, 2021. This class will be led by Bill Rusnak, Seminarians and Rev. Ellory Glenn. This morning class will be in Room #9.

Tuesday Mornings: Women's Study on the first and third Tuesdays at 10:00 am will resume on September 7, 2021. We will use the CPH study this fall titled **Be Thou My Guide**. It is a Bible study on Trusting God. This Tuesday morning study will be in Room #8. Please sign up to attend at the Welcome Center.

Wednesday Evenings: Begins at 6:30pm on September 8, 2021. This study will be a guided interactive discussion on *The Chosen* video Series – Season #1. We will be answering several questions including; "What does it mean to be Chosen"? This Wednesday evening study will be in Room #9. There are no fees for these Sunday, Tuesday, and Wednesday studies. Please sign up to attend at the Welcome Center.

Financial Peace: We have a sign-up for those interested in this Study that may be offered. This class will be led by Tim Taylor on the **Dave Ramsey - Financial Peace University** - the proven plan that helps you pay off debt fast and save more money for your future. Dates, times, room location and fees are yet to be determined. Please sign up to attend at the Welcome Center.

Griefshare: We have resumed this week! Sessions run on Tuesday from 2:00 to 4:00 pm and Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. The four leaders are Bill R., Vanessa Morris, Christy Boehmer, and Jayme Z. The books cost \$15 each for the participants but is not collected from those who can't afford it. The Sessions are all in the Parlor. Please contact Bill Rusnak for more information and to sign up to attend.

LIFE TEAM

Life Thought: We have no Savior to speak of except Him whom Mary's womb conceived and delivered. We have no Gospel message but the one that begins in childbearing (Galatians 4:4-5). As helpless and dependent as any embryo, human beings – any of us – only enter immortality by baptismal birth to become beloved children belonging to the Heavenly Father. Pregnancy is never a sin. Every child is a gift!

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:

James Crosier – August 15 Judy Inman – August 20 Minnie Hein – August 21

M*A*P*P GOD'S WORD

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

Romans 12:21 - "Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good."

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COMING UP AT CHAPEL

Tuesday, August 17 2:00 PM Grief Share

Wednesday, August 18 6:30 PM Evening Prayer Service

Thursday, August 19 6:30 PM Grief Share

Saturday, August 21 5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, August 22 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Youth and Adult Bible Study

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Ephesians 5:6-7 – "Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not associate with them." The wrath of a God is a real thing, and we do well to reflect on this. We want to stay away from anything that would take us away from the Lord. As Mary replied to the angel Gabriel, "I am the handmaiden of the Lord, may it be to me according to your word." We are the Lord's servants, therefore we cling to His Word.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (8/8/2021):

Worship: 164 and 7 visitors

Last week's offering (8/8/2021):

- General Fund: \$10,479
- Building / Capital Fund: \$705
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$44

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$401,683
- Building / Capital Fund: \$42,293

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$456,768
- Building / Capital Fund: \$55,442