

THE CHAPEL Weekly



August 29, 2021

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

Cross Roads: Contributions for the Fall issue are due by Sunday, September 5. Please put them in the Cross Roads box in the church office or mail them to church.

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! 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 Gathering will be held in Houston, TX, July 9-14, 2022. See the website, <https://lcmmsgathering.com/>. As we plan for this event and want to know if you are interested in your child attending. 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 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 2021 Older Adult Retreat is set for October 20-21. See the Welcome center for detailed information, schedule, meal menu and registration forms.

The Mary-Martha Guild Mixin Fixins fundraiser will return this year. Please note we will be taking preorders during the month of September. Please visit the Crocus Bookstore where a list of Mixin Fixins products will be available. Preorders will be available for pickup Saturday, October 30 and Sunday, October 31. Payment will be due when the order is picked up. Thank you for your support.

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
Betty Brooks (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*)
Mardell Brown (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
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
Darlene Franklin (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
Moses Gilliam (*son of Jean Thomas*)
Susanna Gregory (*daughter of Gale Damm*)
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*)
Darold Pendleton (*nephew of Georgia Thomas*)

Karen Rae (*relative of Maire Trelz*)
Ron Rammaha (*friend of Robert 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*)
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*)
Judy Christian (*Rick and Lynda Christian's sister-in-law*)
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*)
Marilyn-Madison Stinebaugh (*friend of Bill & Marilyn Miller*)
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 Celebrate:

Isaiah J. Glenn and his family as they celebrated his 21st birthday on August 23rd.

Those Who Mourn: Audrey Luedtke and her family upon the death of her sister, Annette Domanek who died in the Lord on Sunday August 22nd at the age of 99.

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:

This adult class is using the Lutheran Hour Ministry Nourishing Your Faith Series through September 12. We will have a special Lutheran's for Life Guest leader Kristi Hofferber on September 19th. Then will pair and extend the content of our Children's Sunday School study using the **Enduring Faith** beginning on September 26, 2021. Classes are led by Bill Rusnak, Seminarians and Rev. Glenn.

Tuesday Mornings: Women's Study on the first and third Tuesdays at 10:00 am will resume on September 7, 2021, using the CPH study this fall titled **Be Thou My Guide** - a Bible study on Trusting God. This study will be in Room #8. Please sign up to attend at the Welcome Center by August 29, 2021.

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 and indicate your attendance as In Person or Via Zoom.

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. We will tentatively begin on Thursdays in September at 7:00. Exact dates, 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

The Value of Life: Please join the Life Team for a special presentation by Kristi Hofferber during Bible Study hour on Sunday, September 19th. Kristi Hofferber will be sharing a message about the value of life. She was conceived through rape and incest and speaks about how the gift of adoption spared her life, bringing tremendous joy to her adoptive family. After learning about this, Kristi was compelled to help others and left a ten-year career to go back to school to obtain her master's degree in Social Work. Kristi travels to share her life-affirming story of an unthinkable beginning to a life with purpose. She is an adoptee, wife of a pastor who was also adopted, and together they have two adopted children. Her message is grounded in faith and love and speaks to God's ability to take such an awful situation to bring glory for His purpose. Kristi has also reunited with her birth family, which they stated has brought them closure and healing. This reunion led to an incredibly special part of her story that she will share as well.

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:

Bessie Carpenter – August 29
Jerri Bolden – August 30
Annette Rueckert – August 30
Sandra Laurent – August 31
Fay Snyder – August 31

John Bogdanor – September 2
Grace Green – September 2
Glenn Lackey – September 2
Theresa Miller – September 2

M*A*P*P GOD'S WORD

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

Romans 13:8 - "Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law."

COMING UP AT CHAPEL

Tuesday, August 31
2:00 PM Grief Share

Thursday, September 2
6:30 PM Grief Share
7:00 PM Life Team

Saturday, September 4
10:00 AM Day 3 Seed's Event
5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, September 5
8:30 AM & 11:00 AM Worship Service
9:45 AM Youth and Adult Bible Study

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Deuteronomy 4:6 – "Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.'" There is no wiser, more fulfilling life than a life lived according to the Word of God. We should be encouraged by this when the world tempts us to think that the Word of God is harmful to us. Our Father loves us; so all His Word is meant to bless us. We may have to suffer for upholding the Word of God, as St. John the Baptist did. But the cross the Lord has for us to bear will be far better than any we would create for ourselves.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (8/22/2021):

- Worship: 153 and 18 visitors

Last week's offering (8/22/2021):

- General Fund: \$10,182
- Building / Capital Fund: \$820
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$52

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$416,830
- Building / Capital Fund: \$43,653

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$485,316
- Building / Capital Fund: \$58,924

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