



## 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,

## Announcements

**Discovery Class:** A new Discovery Class has begun meeting each Wednesday. The Discovery Class is for those seeking membership at Chapel of the Cross, but it is also a great review, even for those who have been life-long Lutherans. Please talk to Pastor Laesch or call the church office if you are interested in attending. All are invited!

**Mary-Martha Guild** will hold their annual Salad Supper on Monday, September 11 in room 8 at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is asked to bring a salad to share. All ladies are invited to join us as we announce the agenda for the coming months at a short business meeting.

**Mixin Fixins:** It's time for the Mary-Martha Guild Mixin Fixins fundraiser. We have started taking orders and will continue through Sunday, September 24. Please visit the Crocus Books & Gifts store in the Fellowship Commons to see the list of available items and place your order. Orders will be available for pickup the weekend of October 28-29. Payment is due upon order pickup. Thank you for your support.

**On Sunday, October 22,** Chapel will hold a hymn festival – and the congregation is invited to submit your favorite hymns or songs (up to three)! We will then choose hymns from the top choices to use for the hymn festival. Please leave your submissions in the box at the back of the sanctuary (or return them to Ryan Meyer) **NO LATER than Sunday, September 24.** Please include the title and page number in the Lutheran Service Book (if applicable).

**Hymn Festival:** Good Shepherd Lutheran (1300 Beltline Road, Collinsville, IL) will be celebrating St. Michael and All Angels with a hymn festival on Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Titled *"With Angels and Archangels,"* it will be a celebration of the rich hymnody found in Lutheran Service Book that deals with these special messengers of God. Hymn commentary will be given by Pr. Will Weedon, host of the Lutheran Public Radio podcast *"The Word of the Lord Endures Forever"* along with organist Chris Loemker, orchestra, and choir. The choir will be comprised of singers from local LCMS congregations. For more information, or to register to sing with the choir, please visit the website [www.withangelsandarchangels.org](http://www.withangelsandarchangels.org).

**The flowers** on the altar are in loving memory of Janice Martin, Jen Schmidt's mother on her birthday, September 14.

## In Our Prayers this week...

### Those with Health Concerns:

Jan Arban  
Willie Ball (friend of Alderay Fields)  
Tracy Ball (friend of Alderay Fields)  
Ellen Bauer (food pantry)  
Vivian Berry  
Tanjila Bolden  
Doris Boyd  
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  
Robert Cunningham III  
**Bea Daugherty**  
Linda Edgington  
Kymm Fehrs  
Alderay Fields  
David Funke  
John Gasner (cousin of Gloria Uttley)  
Susanna Gregory (daughter of Gale Damm)  
Carolyn Hanneman  
Rita Hayes (sister of Jim Crosier)  
Darryal Hughes (cousin of Alderay 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  
Malu Martin (sister of Cathy Crosier)  
Bella Matakas (niece of Ken Gerler)  
Duane McCain (uncle of John & Jay Zvirgzdins)  
Peggy Miller  
Katy Moran (friend of Jon Rogers)  
Billy Nelson (food pantry)  
Darold Pendleton (nephew of Georgia Thomas)  
Karen Rae (relative of Maire Trelz)  
B.J. Rohmann (friend of Mark Petersen)  
Henry Scott (friend of Georgia Thomas)  
Bud Shultz  
Gail Shultz  
Mark Shultz (son of Bud & Gail Shultz)  
Agnes Soll (friend of Jerri Bolden)  
Johnnie Spears  
**Donna Stewart**  
Dale Ternapovich (brother of Joyce Lackey)  
Jean Thomas  
Diane Timm  
Joey Totra (grandson of Karen Totra)  
Charles Ward (friend of Alexis Cunningham)  
Michael Wiegand (food pantry)  
Stacy Wiegand (food pantry)  
Terri Zvirgzdins

### Those Receiving Treatment for

#### Cancer:

Tammy Bushman (daughter of Mike and Jean Mueller)  
Lisa Capehart (niece of Art Williams)  
Bob Crecelius (brother of Roy Crecelius)  
Jane Curran (friend of Karen Schaeffer)  
Janet Dickhudt (friend of the Luedtke family)  
Ayla Frushon (friend of Cheryl Balke)  
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)  
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)  
Arriion Soll (friend of Jerri Bolden)  
Candy Summers (friend of Jayme Zvirgzdins)  
Bob Woodward (uncle of Jerry Bowen)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

**Salem Applebutter** orders will be available for pick up beginning September 24. Call Judy (314-839-2157) or Kathy (314-839-0823) to place an order. You can also volunteer to help on Thursday, September 21, 6:00 PM to peel and core apples or Saturday, September 23, 6:00 AM to cook applebutter. All events are held across the street from Salem which is located at 5180 Parker Road in Black Jack.

**The Lutheran Re-Sale Shop** located at 6701 W. Florissant Rd. is desperately looking for volunteers. Please help us keep our doors open! If you can volunteer a few hours a week or even a few hours a month please call Marlene at 314-839-9970

## ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

**Our Ladies Study**, on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, resumes at 10am on Tuesday, September 5. Join us in the lower level - Room 8.

Our **Wednesday Night** study of the Book of Hebrews resumes on September 6th at 6:30 pm in Room 8. We will pick up in the study guide with question #15 on page 76. Hebrews 10:19-39. Copies of Lesson 9 are available 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!

**Music Ministry:** Choirs and ensembles for the 2023-24 season will begin rehearsing the beginning of September! Whether you would like to "sing to the Lord a new song," or come and "make a joyful noise to the Lord," all are welcome to join Chapel's music ministry. We hope to see you there!

Children's Handbells	Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.	Begins September 6
Adult Handbells	Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.	Begins September 6
Joyful Noise	1 <sup>st</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursdays at 6:15 p.m.	Begins September 7
Choral Singers	Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.	Begins September 7

## LIFE TEAM

Abortion doesn't just end unborn lives. It also breaks hearts with grief and guilt. So the Lord doesn't exempt it from condemnation. He commands us to warn our brothers and sisters about its sinfulness. Nor does He exclude abortion from His forgiveness. He would have us apply His absolution as explicitly to this iniquity as to our own.

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:

Gary Horkman – September 16  
Virginia Daugherty – September 19

## MAPP GOD'S WORD

**Galatians 3:13-14** - "Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangs on a tree: that the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith."

## Coming up at Chapel

### Monday, September 11

6:30 PM Mary-Martha Meeting  
7:00 PM Elders Meeting

### Tuesday, September 12

2:00 PM GriefShare

### Wednesday, September 13

6:30 PM Bible Class  
6:30 PM Children's Bells  
7:30 PM Chapel Bells

### Thursday, September 14

6:30 PM GriefShare  
7:00 PM Choral Singers

### Saturday, September 16

5:00 PM Worship Service

### Sunday, September 17

8:30 AM Worship Service  
9:45 AM Youth & Adult Bible Study  
11:00 AM Worship Service

## STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

**Matthew 18:4** – "Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven." What does it mean to have childlike faith? Certainly, Jesus does not want us to have a faith that is childish – we are not called to ignorance or silliness. Rather, we are called to trust the way a child trusts: with complete confidence in the Father. We show that confidence in our lives when we follow His directives for our life. Father knows best, so we'll take His advice!

## HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (9/3/2023):

- Worship 169 and 20 visitors

Last week's offering (9/3/2023):

- General Fund: \$18,576
- Building / Capital Fund: \$2,415
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$78
- Total 1-1-1 in August: \$203

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$439,590
- Building / Capital Fund: \$39,211

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$513,864
- Building / Capital Fund: \$62,776

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