



CHAPEL OF
THE CROSS
LUTHERAN

Living in faith, hope, and love

THE CHAPEL

Weekly

September 5, 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

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 –mark your calendars to attend this special event! Please note that all in attendance will be required to show proof of COVID-19 vaccination or proof of a negative COVID-19 test result within 48 hours of the performance. All audience members will be required to use face coverings regardless of vaccination status.

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.

Homemade Apple Butter will be made by Salem Lutheran Church this fall. To place an order and/or for more information, call Judy at 314-839-2157 or Kathy at 314-839-0823. Order will be available for pick-up beginning September 26.

LWML: Today is Mite Box Sunday! Thank You for your gifts for the mite box in the Commons. Take the bookmark listing the new mission grants selected at the recent convention in Kentucky. Also available is a brochure telling about Lutheran Women's Mission and the Fall Quarterly.

The flowers on the altar are in honor of Grace and Jordan Green's birthdays

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
Jaylen Bolden (grandson of Jerri Bolden)
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
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)

Mary Kuntz (friend of Julie Seibert)
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:

Grace Green as she celebrated her 82nd birthday on September 2.

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:

Donna Hoffmann – September 5
Jean Thomas – September 5
Marilyn Thomas – September 8

M*A*P*P GOD'S WORD

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

1 John 2:5 - "But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him."

COMING UP AT CHAPEL

Monday, September 6
Labor Day – office closed

Tuesday, September 7
10:00 AM Women's Bible Study
2:00 PM Grief Share

Wednesday, September 8
6:30 PM Bible Study
6:30 PM Children's Handbells
7:30 PM Chapel Bells

Thursday, September 9
6:15 PM Joyful Noise
6:30 PM Grief Share

Saturday, September 11
1:30 PM Eleanor Nauss Memorial Service
5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, September 12
8:30 AM & 11:00 AM Worship Service
9:45 AM Youth and Adult Bible Study
12:15 PM Youth Event

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

James 2:2 – "For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in..."
God shows no partiality. Rich and poor alike are called into the Kingdom. And both rich and poor alike have something to contribute to the Kingdom in accordance with the callings God has given them in their lives. This is why both the Old and New Testaments talk about proportional giving – that is giving a proportion of our income to the Lord's work. This makes it possible for rich and poor alike to have the honor of supporting God's work.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (8/29/2021):
• Worship: 141 and 7 visitors

Last week's offering (8/29/2021):
• General Fund: \$7,949
• Building / Capital Fund: \$615
• 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$65
• 1-1-1 August total: \$267

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$424,779
- Building / Capital Fund: \$44,268

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$499,590
- Building / Capital Fund: \$60,665

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