



CHAPEL OF
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THE CHAPEL Weekly

January 28, 2018

BIBLE STUDY

Sunday Education Hour (9:45 AM):

Children & Youth:

- Kingdom Quest; Ages 2 to Gr. 5; Lower Level Classrooms
- Jr. High Confirmation; Room A
- Sr. High Youth; Youth Room

Adult Bible Classes:

- "For the prodigal in all of us..."; Room 8; Class leaders: Orv Mueller and Joel Ziegler
- "Monumental Mountaintops"; Room 9; Class leader: Dave Funke

Weekday Studies:

- Naomi Circle; 3rd Monday, 9:30 AM; Room A
- Women's Study; 1st/3rd Tuesdays, 10:00 AM; Room 8; "Old Testament Gospel and Grace"
- Senior's Study; 2nd/4th Tuesdays, 10:00 AM; Room 8; "That The World May Know"
- Wednesdays, 6:30 PM; "Denominational Differences"

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Youth Super Bowl Nut Sale: The remaining inventory will be discounted to end our annual nut sales.

In Your Offering Envelope Box: you will find an envelope for Lutherans For Life. LFL works to "equip Lutherans to be Gospel-motivated voices for Life" and needs your support to continue to encourage, to educate, and to uplift with a Gospel-centered, Word-based message of hope, forgiveness, and new life. The Chapel Life Team encourages you to give a gift to LFL. Your gift may be given at any time of year, but we hope you will consider a gift in January as Chapel emphasizes the sanctity of human life. Please make your check payable to "Chapel of the Cross Lutheran." All gifts from these offerings will be sent to Lutherans For Life.

CrossRoads: Articles and other submissions for the March/April issue of *CrossRoads* are due Today, January 28th. Please put articles in the *CrossRoads* box in the Church office.

Marriage Anniversary Sunday: Chapel is offering a special opportunity for couples to renew their wedding vows. Join us on Sunday, February 11, 2018, after the 11:00 service. All married couples (and their family and friends) are invited celebrate! A light reception will follow this service. Please sign up at the Welcome Center. Couples are invited to bring a wedding picture to be displayed. This service will start close to 12:30 and last about fifteen minutes.

Mary-Martha Guild: will meet on Monday February 12 at 6:30 in room 9. We will have a Friendship Potluck Dinner. Everyone is welcome to attend and asked to please bring a covered dish or dessert to share. Following the dinner Ken Kreitner will speak about LERT, Lutheran Emergency Response Team. We will then hold a business meeting. We hope you can join us.

Flowers for the Sanctuary: The 2018 flower chart is posted in the hallway past the office complex. Those who wish to donate flowers (in honor or in memory of a loved one) are encouraged to sign up. Center and side arrangements are \$40 each. Roses are \$10 each. Checks or cash can be placed in the offering plate in one of the special envelopes in the pew racks. Let's beautify our chancel area as many Sundays as possible!

NAMI Walk: NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) is holding its annual fundraiser walk on May 5, 2018 at Central Park, Chesterfield Amphitheater. NAMI St. Louis raises awareness and provides essential education, advocacy and support group programs at no cost for people in our community living with mental illness and their loved ones. To register to walk, visit www.namiwalks.org/stlouis.

Thank You: The family of LaVerne Spears acknowledges with sincere appreciation your prayers, visits, and acts of kindness during our time of bereavement. Your thoughtfulness was a great comfort to our family. May God continue to bless you.

The Flowers on the Altar: are given by Bill and Grace Green in celebration of their 57th Wedding anniversary on January 30th, in memory of family deaths, and in honor of family birthdays.

The Rose on the Baptismal Font: is given in honor of the birth of Amiya Marie Green, Bill and Grace Green's great-granddaughter.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...

Those with Health Concerns: Jan Arban, Joan Arban, Linda Edgington, Frank Lehner, Fay Vogel, Edna Cook, Robert Henke, Mary and Jim Maynard, Minnie Hein, Jean Thomas, Lafayette Frederick (*uncle of Jerri Bolden*), Tanjila Bolden-Myers, Neil Bower, Peggy Miller, Makenzie Lenox (*great-niece of Cindy Vogelsang*), Joyce Weidner, Wallace Krueger (*father of Jan Kloppenburg*), Terry Balke (*brother of Cheryl Balke*), Katherine Heckel, Walter Harris, Gene Hale, Elizabeth Cash, Nancy Quigle, Dorothy Bischoff, John Davis (*friend of Jean Wiechert*), and Mardel Lott.

Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer: Sam Johnson, Martin Rodgers (*cousin of Jerri Bolden*), Michael Smythe, Kevin Jaggie (*son-in-law of Ken and Marilyn Kreitner*), Kenneth James, Debbie Schoolcraft (*sister of Kathy Glenn*), Agnes Gray (*friend of Jerri Bolden*), John Grant (*friend of Jerri Bolden*), Calvin Cooksey (*cousin of Alexis Cunningham*), Nick Schmitt (*husband of Rosilyn Cunningham-Schmitt*), Bryan Pines (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*), Joann Williams, Loretta Lakinger, Ronald Rieke (*cousin of Kathy Glenn*), Clifford Balke, Kenneth Leesmann, Jerry Solovitz (*father of Curt and Jean Wiechert's son-in-law*), Bob Woodward (*uncle of Jerry Bowen*), Sandra Boxx (*friend of Bill and Annette Rueckert*), Allen Birk (*brother of Josephine Barthel*), and Paul Barbary (*friend of Keith and Paula Neuber*).

Those Who Mourn: The family and loved ones of Thomas Masa who died in the Lord on Sunday.

Those Who Celebrate: Manfred and Roberta Loesch as they celebrate their 43rd Wedding anniversary on February 1st.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Women's Retreat: Camp Wartburg will once again be having a retreat for women February 16-17. The cost is only \$45 and covers housing, two meals, snacks, and program. We encourage you to join us for an enjoyable time of learning, fellowship, and fun. Information sheets are at the welcome center with information regarding how to register. You can also go to www.campwartburg.com and click on "events."

The Board of Elections: is currently searching for civically-minded and engaged individuals to staff the polls on Election Day. All workers are required to be registered to vote in the state of Missouri, speak and write in English, and attend a training class prior. All workers will be compensated for training if they work. If you would like more information, please call 314-615-1865, or apply online now at vote4stlco.com/pollaccess!

Tours: Pastor Willard and Stephani Meyer of Zion Lutheran Church in Bethalto, Illinois are leading two tours, one this year and the other in 2020. "Discover Croatia, Slovenia and the Adriatic Coast" is a tour departing on October 6, 2018, from St. Louis. This 11-day tour explores Croatia and the countries of the Adriatic. This region features ancient cities, medieval architecture and stunning coastal scenery. There is a \$250.00 discount per person for those registering by the end of March. The 2020 tour will be "11 Day Israel & Oberammergau" from September 8-18, 2020. The Oberammergau Passion Play sells out early, and there are also early registration discounts for this tour. If you are interested in learning about one or both of these tours, you can contact Pastor Meyer by e-mail (revwilly@charter.net) or by phone (618-377-9815).

ADULT MINISTRY:

GriefShare: The next cycle of GriefShare started Tuesday, January 9, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., and Thursday, January 11, from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. 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 special ministry. It doesn't matter how long ago the loss has been. Contact David Funke for more information (741-3737).

MISSIONS & OUTREACH:

Eric & Linda Funke's JANUARY newsletter: is available in the Welcome Center. Be sure to pick up a copy for an update regarding their mission work in Tanzania, and how you can continue to support them. If you would like to correspond with the Funkes their address is: Eric & Linda Funke, P. O Box 252, Shinyanga, Tanzania, East Africa.

FAMILY MINISTRY:

Trivia Night at Chapel: 11 mostly filled tables of players enjoyed a great night of fellowship and fun last Saturday! Many thanks to many people for supporting our January Youth and Family event! Proceeds will help youth attending upcoming events including our June 2018 Creation Museum and Ark excursion and the 2019 National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis, MN.

Youth Night: February 16, 2018 for our February Youth & Family Night. We are looking to play floor hockey and other games from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Sign up at the welcome center for this event - we'll have snacks for all who attend!

M*A*P*P GOD'S WORD:

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

For three weeks we will concentrate on a short passage from Jeremiah, a passage about the confidence we can have in the Lord in the midst of the challenges of life.

Monday – Tuesday

Jeremiah 17:8b It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green.

Wednesday – Thursday

Jeremiah 17:8c It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit.

Friday – Saturday

Combine the two previous passages.

Note: For more information or to receive verses by email weekly, please visit our website or contact the church office.

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COMING UP AT CHAPEL

Sunday, January 28:

8:30 AM Worship
9:45 AM Education Hour (Adult & Youth Bible Study, Confirmation, Kingdom Quest)
11:00 AM Worship

Tuesday, January 30:

2:00 PM GriefShare
6:00 PM Basketball
7:30 PM Choral Singers

Wednesday, January 31:

6:00 PM Children's Choir
6:30 PM Children's Bells
6:30 PM Adult Bible Study
7:30 PM Adult Bells

Thursday, February 1:

6:00 PM Basketball
6:30 PM GriefShare
7:00 PM Life Team Meeting

Saturday, February 3:

5:00 PM Worship

Sunday, February 4:

8:30 AM Worship
9:45 AM Education Hour (Adult & Youth Bible Study, Confirmation, Kingdom Quest)
11:00 AM Worship

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

Feb. 6 Women's Bible Study
Feb. 12 Mary-Martha Meeting
Feb. 12 Board of Elders Meeting
Feb. 16 Youth Night

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (1/21/18):

- Worship: 247 (includes 3 visitors)
- Adult Education Hour: 45
- K. Q. Students & Adults, Confirmation, Senior High: 54

Last week's offering (1/21/18):

- General Fund: \$9,443
- Building / Capital Fund: \$445

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$34,815
- Building / Capital Fund: \$2,782

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$42,822
- Building / Capital Fund: \$5,223