



CHAPEL OF
THE CROSS
LUTHERAN

Living in faith, hope, and love

THE CHAPEL

Weekly

December 16, 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:

- "The Augsburg Confession"; Room 8;
Orv Mueller and Joel Ziegler
- "That The World May Know"; Room 9;
Dave Funke
- "Discovery Class"; Conference Room;
Pastor Laesch

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
Resumes January 9, 2019

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Dollar For Missions: We encourage every member of Chapel of the Cross to give one dollar for missions each week at the special offering box in the narthex. Half of the funds received will benefit Chapel's 2018 mission emphasis; the other half will benefit the English District's mission projects. What a blessing as we work together to give to the work of the Lord!

Poinsettias: We will decorate the church at Christmastime with poinsettia plants *in honor or in memory of a loved one*. If you would like to order a 5-7 bloom plant (\$10.00), which may be picked up after Jan. 6, please use one of the envelopes which you will find in the pew racks or call the church office (741-3737). Make checks payable to "Chapel of the Cross-Lutheran." **Deadline:** Wed., Dec. 19, at noon. Please let the church office know how you want your memorial to read.

Lutheran Witness: It's time for the renewal of your Lutheran Witness subscription for 2019-2020. If you would like to order or renew, please remit \$10.80 to Joanne in the church office by Monday, January 21, 2019.

Taste of the Sem: High School men, Concordia Seminary St. Louis is offering a "Taste of the Sem" as an event to learn how pastors are prepared for service to Jesus and His Church. This is a three day event where you will interact with seminary professors and students, sit in on classes, and prayerfully ask God's guidance in your vocation. It will be held February 16-18, 2019 (President's Day Weekend) at Concordia Seminary St. Louis. To register, go to: <https://www.csl.edu/admissions/visit/taste-of-the-sem/> or for more information contact Rev. Scott Holder at holders@csl.edu or (314) 505-7225.

Extra Calendars Arriving At Your Home?: Consider putting the extras in the Helping Hands Food Pantry Grocery Cart. Many of the clients do not get free ones in the mail.

LCEF Offer: The Lutheran Church Extension Fund is offering for a limited time a 40-month term note at 4.00% interest. Your investments with LCEF help make ministry happen throughout the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The benefits and features of this offering are:

- 4% fixed rate
- \$500 minimum to open an account, \$40,000 maximum per note
- 40-month term note
- Limit one per tax ID
- New money only
- Open to all members of the congregation

Call (800) 843-5233 to learn more or visit lcef.org/40month.

Food Pantry: Is in need of canned fruit and tuna. Thank you.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...

Those with Health Concerns: Jan Arban, Joan Arban, Linda Edgington, Frank Lehner, Fay Vogel, Minnie Hein, Jean Thomas, Lafayette Frederick (*uncle of Jerri Bolden*), Tanjila Bolden-Myers, Makenzie Lenox (*great-niece of Cindy Vogelsang*), Elizabeth Cash, Bob Barthel, Mary Lane (*cousin of Georgia Thomas*), Eugene Hardin (*nephew of Alexis Cunningham*), Joan Wolf (*mother of Alexis Cunningham's brother-in-law*), Elsie Meyer, Irma Kendrick (*aunt of Jerri Bolden*), Penny Carpenter, Alan Schrewe (*friend of Curt Wiechert*), Vicki Rosenkoetter (*friend of Dawn Iborg*), Eleanor Langefeld (*mother of Rich Langefeld*), Joyce Weidner, Xavier Hill, and Marty Albers.

Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer: Gene Hale, Martin Rodgers (*cousin of Jerri Bolden*), Agnes Gray (*friend of Jerri Bolden*), Calvin Cooksey (*cousin of Alexis Cunningham*), Nick Schmitt (*husband of Rosilyn Cunningham-Schmitt*), Bryan Pines (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*), Barbara Kelly (*friend of Alexis Cunningham*), Clifford Balke, Bob Woodward (*uncle of Jerry Bowen*), Sandra Boxx (*friend of Bill and Annette Rueckert*), Paul Barbary (*friend of Keith and Paula Neuber*), Denise Hildebrand, Lisa Capehart (*niece of Art Williams*), Jenny Oliver (*mother of Jim Oliver*), Joy Rodenberger (*daughter of Marcia Hoeman*), Arrion Soll (*friend of Jerry Bolden*), Craig Green (*son of Bill and Grace Green*), Linda Padorski (*friend of Bill and Annette Rueckert*), Marc Openlander (*grandson of Art Williams*), Marguree Jones (*mother of Vanessa Morris*), and Patricia Danner (*friend of Jerry Bolden*).

Those Who Mourn: The Uttley and the James families upon the death of their friend, Karen. The family and loved ones of Maurice Rogers, father of Jon Rogers, who died in the Lord this past Monday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

ADULT MINISTRY:

GriefShare: The next cycle of GriefShare starts Tuesday, January 8, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., and Thursday, January 10, 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 DECEMBER 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:

Sunday School Christmas Program: "What Child is This?" is at the 11:00 a.m. service this Sunday morning.

2019 Cardinal Baseball Calendars: We expect the ordered \$15.00 calendars to be here any day. Calendars and several extra will be available through Christy Uttley between services in the Commons.

Sidewalk Sunday School Spanish Cove Christmas Event: We will meet at the Cove about 5:30 p.m. to start at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 18. People are welcome to join the fun craft activity, hand out treats and sing songs. Please see Bill Rusnak and sign up at the Welcome Center to participate!

Trivia Night at Chapel: Saturday, January 19, 2019 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$15 a person - \$120 for a table of 8. Please, Sign-up as an individual or as a team at the Welcome Center. We're looking for themed gift baskets as donations for the silent auction. See Bill Rusnak for details. This is our major fund raiser for the National Youth Gathering - Thank you for your support.

Youth Basketball Fundraiser Night at McAlister's: We thank Jerry Bowen for again coaching Chapel's youth basketball team. Registration fees are generated by fund raising—therefore on Wednesday December 19, the team is holding a Fundraiser at McAlister's Deli at 2180 N. US HWY 67 in Florissant between 5:00 and 9:00 P.M. 10% of the proceeds come to us. Maybe stop in after church?

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

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

During the Advent and Christmas seasons, Psalm 96 is a beautiful Psalm of praise to the God who came to earth to redeem and save, with all of creation joining in this celebration.

Monday – Tuesday

Psalm 96:1-2 Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.

Wednesday – Thursday

Psalm 96:3-4 Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.

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, December 16:

8:30 AM Worship
9:45 AM Education Hour (Adult & Youth Bible Study, Kingdom Quest)
11:00 AM Worship (Children's Christmas Program)

Tuesday, December 18:

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study
5:30 PM Sidewalk Sunday School

Wednesday, December 19:

6:30 PM Advent Worship

Saturday, December 22:

5:00 PM Worship

Sunday, December 23:

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

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

Jan. 3 Life Team
Jan. 9 Evening Prayer

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (12/9/18):

- Worship: 331 (includes 29 visitors)
- Adult Education Hour: 37
- K. Q. Students & Adults, Confirmation, Senior High: 39

Last week's offering (12/9/18):

- General Fund: \$15,561
- Building / Capital Fund: \$915
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$90.00

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$649,776
- Building / Capital Fund: \$55,697

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$699,426
- Building / Capital Fund: \$85,309