



CHAPEL OF
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THE CHAPEL Weekly

March 4, 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:

- "Left or Right or Wrong"; Sanctuary; Class leader: Rev. Dr. Joel D. Biermann

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:

Prayer Chain: If you have a prayer concern or request, please call Alice Holtgrewe (314)741-3125.

Simply Giving Electronic Giving: Chapel of the Cross offers the convenience of electronic giving. Direct Debt Giving is used to automatically transfer funds from your checking or savings account to the church's bank account. It is convenient for Chapel's members and provides donation consistency for our congregation. Authorization forms and additional information are available at the Welcome Center or from the church office. Call the church office if you have any questions.

Mary-Martha Guild: will meet on Monday March 12 at 6:30 in room 9. Our guest speaker will be Terry Donovan. His topic will be things people can do to make their homes safe and more accessible. Refreshments and a business meeting will follow. All are welcome to attend.

The Singing Saints: the fifty-voice choir of St. Paul Lutheran High School, Concordia, MO, under the direction of Dr. Jerrode Baker Marsh, will present a concert of sacred choral music at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 12345 Manchester Road, Des Peres, MO on Tuesday, March 20 at 7:00 PM.

The Gospel of Mark: The cast – comprised of LCMS pastors and member of Concordia Seminary's Faculty – will enthrall you with St. Mark's words, his images, and his message of rule and reign of God. It will be presented at Immanuel Lutheran Church (115 S. 6th Street, St. Charles, MO) in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, March 27 at 6:30 PM. There is no charge for this event.

Chapel Travelers: have set their annual spring trip for April 24-25 (Tuesday-Wednesday). We will be returning to Branson, and the three main features of the trip will be visiting the College of the Ozarks (more time available than the last trip), seeing "Samson" at the Sight and Sound Theater, and taking a dinner/theater cruise on the Branson Belle. If you are interested in going, we encourage you to begin signing up at the Welcome Center. Fifty people are the maximum. There is more information where you sign up. If you need further information at this point, you can talk to Dave Funke, the Kreitners, Sisteks, Inmans, or Marcia Turvold.

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.

Summer Camp Counselors Needed: Chapel Summer Camp is now accepting applications from anyone interested in being a counselor this summer. Applicants must be at least graduating seniors. There are applications at the Welcome Center. Please contact Summer Camp Administrator, Meagan Schmidt, for questions or more information.

Thank You Chapel: for your strong support of the Mary-Martha Guild when they served as hosts of the Lenten Dinner on Wednesday, February 28. We are grateful that you were able to join us. We also are very appreciative of your generous donations for Chapel's Youth in the amount of \$173.00 for their upcoming convention in 2019. Thank you again for your support in making the evening a wonderful success.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...

Those with Health Concerns: Jan Arban, Joan Arban, Linda Edgington, Frank Lehner, Fay Vogel, Edna Cook, 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*), Wallace Krueger (*father of Jan Kloppenburg*), Terry Balke (*brother of Cheryl Balke*), Katherine Heckel, Walter Harris, Elizabeth Cash, Nancy Quigle, John Davis (*friend of Jean Wiechert*), Bob Barthel, Cindy Vogelsang, Cheryl Hill, Ruth Funck, Dorothy Squires (*cousin of Bessie Mosley*) as she recovers from surgery, and Mary and Rick Lane (*cousins of Georgia Thomas*).

Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer: Sam Johnson, Gene Hale, 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 Give Thanks: Matt and Danielle Koch upon the birth of a son, Nathan James Koch, on February 25th.

Those Who Celebrate: Ellory and Kathy Glenn who celebrated their 43rd Wedding anniversary on March 1st.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Food Pantry: is in need of macaroni and cheese and plastic bags.

Fundraiser Concert: Chapel member and musician Bud Shultz will appear at a fundraiser concert for the Greater Alton Concert Association on Saturday, April 28th in the Hathaway Hall auditorium on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College in Godfrey, IL. The stage will be shared by Bud's "You Can't Beat Experience" Jazz Band and the nationally known Harman Family Bluegrass Band. For tickets contact Bud or Gail Shultz (618-466-6858) or www.Altonconcertconcertassociation.org.

The Lutheran High School Association of St. Louis: is seeking nominations and applications for the following leadership positions: Principal for Lutheran High School South and Principal for Lutheran North Middle School. Candidates interested in these positions can find additional information, as well as the Employment Application, on the Associations website under **Employment Opportunities:** <https://www.lhsastl.org/page/employment-opportunities>. Candidates should email their resume, employment application and cover letter to Sharon Thurman, Human Resources Manager: Sthurman@LHSAstl.org. Nominations should include a letter of recommendation and current contact information for the nominee and should also be emailed to Sharon Thurman at Sthurman@LHSAstl.org.

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 MARCH 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:

Lenten Supper: Family Ministry is serving the *Lenten Midweek Supper* on Wednesday, March 14, 2018. All youth and their families are invited to sign up to prepare and/or serve at the Welcome Center. See Bill Rusnak

Essay Contest: Students in grades 6 to 12 are invited to participate in the Missouri Lutheran's For Life Essay contest and become eligible for cash prizes. *Contest Guidelines* are at the welcome center. Initial drafts should be submitted to Mr. Rusnak by March 8, 2018

March Youth & Family Event! All are invited for a night of fun at **Edison's in Edwardsville**, on Friday, March 9. That is THIS FRIDAY. See Bill Rusnak BY THIS WEDNESDAY, 3/7 to attend. The "All Access Pass" with pizza and soft drinks is \$16. We leave Chapel at 6:30 PM and return about 9:30 PM.

Creation Museum and Ark Encounter Trip: Our June 5-7 trip is open to all families and students. Some of the funds raised through Lenten dinners will be available for those serving participants and the dinner's balance will be set aside for the 2019 National Youth Gathering. The sign-up sheet for this trip in June is at the Welcome Center. We ask those interested in attending to sign in March. The first payment of \$25 is due on May 2, 2018.

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

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

For seven weeks we will focus on most of Psalm 51. This is a powerful Psalm for Lent which points out who we are as sinners, how God works to forgive us, and the response we have to His grace.

Monday – Tuesday

Psalm 51:10 Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Wednesday – Thursday

Psalm 51:11-12 Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

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.

COMING UP AT CHAPEL

Sunday, March 4:

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

Tuesday, March 6:

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study
2:00 PM GriefShare
6:00 PM Basketball
6:30 PM Joyful Noise
7:30 PM Choral Singers

Wednesday, March 7:

11:00 AM Lenten Worship
5:00 PM Lenten Dinner
5:30 PM Children's Choir
5:50 PM Children's Bells
6:30 PM Lenten Worship
7:30 PM Adult Bells

Thursday, March 8:

6:00 PM Basketball
6:30 PM GriefShare

Saturday, March 10:

5:00 PM Worship

Sunday, March 11:

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

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mar. 12 Mary-Martha Guild
Mar. 12 Board of Elders Meeting

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (2/25/18):

- Worship: 278 (includes 12 visitors)
- Adult Education Hour: 60
- K. Q. Students & Adults, Confirmation, Senior High: 47

Last week's offering (2/25/18):

- General Fund: \$12,578
- Building / Capital Fund: \$1,057

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$96,478
- Building / Capital Fund: \$8,403

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$114,192
- Building / Capital Fund: \$13,928