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THE CHAPEL Weekly

April 15, 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:

- "POBLO Ministries"; Sanctuary; Class leaders: Hady and Vickie Matta and Rev. Duane Maas

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:

Needed: a certified medical person to take blood pressures on the 2nd Sunday of the month here at Chapel. Call the office if you would like to volunteer.

Lutheran School Days at the Ballpark: You are invited to join with other Lutheran families at Busch Stadium at 1:15 PM on Sunday, April 22, as the Cardinals take on the Cincinnati Reds. Discounted tickets are just \$20 each (face value \$58). Sign up to sit with friends by indicating the school you want to support on the ticket order form. Order your tickets online at www.lhsastl.org/page/events by April 15. Tickets will be available for pick up from the school you indicated on April 18.

Music at Zion Presents: The Gateway Ringers on Sunday, April 22 at 4:00 PM. Please come and support the music ministry at Zion with your presence.

Concordia Seminary Guild Luncheon: will be held on Friday, May 4. Registration is at 11:30 AM in Koburg Hall and Lunch is at noon. The cost is \$10 per person. Please make checks payable to Concordia Seminary Guild and they must be received by April 20. Send reservations and check to: Mary Jane Autry (7609 Fleta St., St. Louis, MO 63123). You can find the Seminary Guild at Facebook - Concordia Seminary Guild or www.csl.edu/friends/seminary-guild.

Church Safety Seminar: Salem Lutheran Church at 5180 Parker RD, in Black Jack, MO will be sponsoring a church safety seminar on Saturday, April 21, from 9–11AM in the school gym. Members from the St. Louis County Police Tactical Operations Unit will give a presentation on active shooter response. Following this presentation, members of the Black Jack Fire Department will give an overview on Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Automated External Defibrillator (AED) use and response to fire emergencies. All interested people are encouraged to attend. Ushers are especially encouraged to attend. Invite your friends and neighbors. No advance sign-up – FREE ADMISSION!

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.

Lutheran Marriage Encounter: Rekindle the sparks you felt on your wedding day and communicate more intimately with one another in a comfortable and private environment away from family and other responsibilities. The April 20-22, 2018 event take place at Sojourn Retreat Center in Dittmer, MO. Apply today at GodLovesMarriage.org, or contact Tom & Kathy Von Behren at yonbeh@sbcglobal.net or (636) 343-90453 for more information. Pre-registration is required and application deadline is April 15.

The Flowers on the Altar: are given in memory of Charlseia Renken's 20th anniversary in heaven (Rose) by Arnold and Gerry Renken. Centerpiece, arranged by Rebecca Hertwig in thanksgiving to the Triune God for the gift of hearing, music, piano, organs, talent, skill and ability He blesses people with for the enjoyment of others.

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, Bob Barthel, Ruth Funck, Bob Henke, Mary Lane (*cousin of Georgia Thomas*), Dorothy Squires (*cousin of Bessie Mosley*), Jan Hahn, and Fran Bermel and Bill Green.

Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer: Sam Johnson, Gene Hale, Martin Rodgers (*cousin of Jerri Bolden*), Michael Smythe, 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, 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*), Paul Barbary (*friend of Keith and Paula Neuber*), Leslie Timms, Denise Hildebrand, and Rev. Ronald Neustadt and Rich Brown (brother of Tim Brown).

Those who mourn: The family and loved ones of Kenneth James who died in the Lord on Monday.

Those who celebrate: Virginia Schimdt as she celebrates her 90th birthday on April 19.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

ADULT MINISTRY:

GriefShare: Meets on Tuesdays from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., and Thursdays 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 APRIL 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:

Youth Night: Our next night is THIS Friday April 20. 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Sign up at the Welcome Center or email bill.rusnak@chapelofthecross.org for the pizza order.

Sidewalk Sunday School: Dates for Ferguson are four Mondays: April 16, 23, 30 and May 7. Dates at Spanish Cove are Tuesdays May 8, 15, and 22. See the sign-up at our Welcome Center for details.

Kingdom Quest Ministry Partners Lunch Meeting: Sunday April 29, 2018 at 12:30 in Room 8. Come to plan for summer and celebrate the ministry at the Annual Spring Luncheon Meeting. We'll provide drinks and the main dish. Bring a dessert, salad or veggie. Sign up at the Welcome Center! *Bring your calendar.*

Creation Museum and Ark Encounter Trip: Our June 5-7 trip is open to all families and students. The sign-up sheet is at the Welcome Center. Interested attenders first payment of \$25 is due on May 2, 2018.

NEW BIBLE STUDIES STARTING APRIL 22 AT 9:45 A.M.

Discovery Class: This class is for those seeking membership at Chapel of the Cross, but it 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! Led by Rev. Laesch in the Conference Room.

Philippians: Paul wrote this "Epistle of Joy" while under arrest and awaiting trial in Rome. Who of us would be able to lift ourselves out of the most depressing of situations to write a letter filled with such joy and such deep love and longing? Led by Pastor Mueller and Joel Ziegler in Room 8.

Anxious for Nothing: In this video based study Max Lucado explores God's treatment plan for anxiety found in Philippians 4:4-8. God's tools for combating anxiety don't change the situations of life, but they change our attitude towards these situations. Led by Dave Funke in Room 9.

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

Memorize * Apply * Pray * Ponder

For four weeks in the Easter season, we will concentrate on Ephesians 2:1-10. This powerful passage summarizes what God has done for us in Jesus Christ, despite who we are as sinners.

Monday – Tuesday

Ephesians 2:8-9 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith--and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God-- not by works, so that no one can boast.

Wednesday – Thursday

Ephesians 2:10 For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

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, April 15:

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

Monday, April 16:

6:00 PM Sidewalk Sunday School at Versaille Apartments

Tuesday, April 17:

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

Wednesday, April 18:

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

Thursday, April 19:

6:00 PM Basketball
6:30 PM GriefShare

Friday, April 20:

6:00 PM Youth Night

Saturday, April 21:

5:00 PM Worship

Sunday, April 22:

8:30 AM Worship
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11:00 AM Worship

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

Apr. 23 Board of Directors Meeting
Apr. 29 Kingdom Quest Ministry Partners Lunch Meeting

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (4/8/18):

- Worship: 287 (includes 14 visitors)
- Adult Education Hour: 37
- K. Q. Students & Adults, Confirmation, Senior High: 35

Last week's offering (4/8/18):

- General Fund: \$12,185
- Building / Capital Fund: \$1,976

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$192,671
- Building / Capital Fund: \$16,461

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$199,836
- Building / Capital Fund: \$24,374