CHAPEL OF THE CROSS LUTHERAN
Living in faith, hope, and love

THE CHAPEL Weekly

November 29, 2026

BIBLE STUDY

Sunday 9:45 am
"The Parables of Jesus" - Room 9

Youth Confirmation – Room 8

Children's Sunday School –
Rooms 2 & 4

Senior High Youth – Youth Room

Tuesday 10:00 am
(first and third Tuesday)
Women's Bible Study- Room 8
Resumes January 5, 2027

Wednesday 6:30 pm - Room 8
Prophecy Study Resumes 9/8/27
Weekly Epistle Readings - Room 8
Begins 1/6/27

Announcements

Voters' Meeting Chapel of the Cross will be hosting our annual voters' assembly meeting on Monday, November 30 at 6:30 pm. As always, we will be approving the budget and ratifying the new Board of Directors and Board of Elders candidates. Interspersed with our business actions, we will hear from each of our staff ministry leaders. This year, we will also be having a discussion about the recent trends in our congregation's finances. Please try to attend this important meeting as we plan for the future of our church.

CrossRoads articles due on Sunday December 6th for the winter issue.

Stewardship Opportunity: Share your God given musical talent with the Choral Singers by serving as the choir pianist. The choir sings anthems regularly during Sunday services. The pianist would be encouraged, though not required, to attend Thursday evening rehearsals at 7 p.m. If you can help serve the church in this, please connect with Timothy Mars.

Young Adults — Let's Get Together! We're starting something new at Chapel! If you're in your 20s or 30s, we'd love for you to join us for our first Young Adults Gathering on Wednesday, December 16, before Advent worship. Our hope is to create a welcoming community where young adults can connect, build friendships, grow together in God's Word, and find opportunities to serve. This first gathering will be informal. We'll spend some time getting to know one another, enjoying fellowship, and talking about what we'd like this group to become. Whether you're single, married, or raising a family, there's a place for you. Kids are welcome, too! Wednesday, December 16, 6:00pm (Just before service) in the Parlor. No preparation or commitment needed. Just come as you are, and feel free to bring a friend!

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 ($12.00), 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. 16, at noon. Please let the church office know how you want your memorial to read.

In Our Prayers this week…

Those with Health Concerns:
James Cormier *(cousin of Jan Kloppenburg)*
Steve Becker *(friend of John Zvirgzdins)*
Tanjila Bolden
Norma Conley *(friend of Aulderay Fields)*
Morgan Cunningham *(friend of Jon Rogers)*
Cassidy Dansbury *(niece of Alexis Cunningham)*
Virginia Daugherty
Matthew Dina *(relative of the Uttley family)*
Shari Lou Eakins *(friend of Jon Rogers)*
Janelle Edwards *(friend of John Jordan)*
David Eggers
Edam Ekpo
Allan Enstall
Aulderay Fields
Pauletta Fields *(Aulderay Fields sister-in-law)*
Darlene Franklin *(friend of Georgia Thomas)*
John Gassner *(cousin of Gloria Uttley)*
Carolyn Hanneman
Rita Hayes *(sister of Jim Crosier)*
Donna Heinrich
Ashley Hochuli *(grand daughter of Marilyn and Bill Miller)*
Lois Hoffmann
Virgil Hoffmann
Dr.James Hudson *(cousin of Alexis Cunningham)*
Duane Jackson *(friend of Vernida Summers)*
Terry Johnson
Ali Kloppenburg
Joyce Lackey
Matthew Lackey

Betty Leeker
Mel Lefkowitz *(friend of Nancy Swoboda)*
Bill Madison *(son-in-law of Bill and Marilyn Miller)*
Joe Miano, Sr. *(father of Joe Miano)*
Patricia Miano *(mother of Joe Miano)*
Readus Miller *(friend of Alexis Cunningham)*
Frank Mosley
Fred Palmer *(friend of Barbra Newton)*
Ellis Perry
Ann Pricthett *(friend of moms client)*
Olivia Reichgert *(Stan Schwede's nephew's daughter)*
Rosilyn Cunningham Schmitt *(mother of Robert Cunningham)*
Jill Seibert *(mother of Steve Seibert)*
Jim Seibert *(father of Steve Seibert)*
Joan Smith *(friend of Aulderay Fields)*
Johnnie Spears
Jean Thomas
Gloria Uttley
Robyn Walen *(friend of John Jordan)*
Mickie Wallerstein *(friend of Bill & Marilyn Miller)*
Lionel Ward *(friend of Alexis Cunningham)*
Eric Williams *(son of Betty and Les Williams)*

Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer:
Jay Bentzinger *(friend of Nancy Swoboda)*
Terry Balke *(Cheryl Balke's brother)*
Nancy Bratcher*(Teri Zvirgzdins mother)*
Judy Brink *(friend of Kay Medlock)*
Parker Calbreath *(nephew to Ken & Christi Leesmann)*
David Charak *(friend of Nancy Swoboda)*
Liam Cody
Bob Crecelius *(brother of Roy Crecelius)*
Sue Gassner *(cousin of Gloria Uttley)*
Damien Gregory *(great-grandson of Gale Damm)*
Wayne Haas *(friend of Bill & Marilyn Miller)*
Cheryl Hogan *(daughter of Lois Hoffman)*
Adrian Hughes *(cousin of Aulderay Fields)*
Crystal Jackson *(niece of Johnnie Spears)*
Debbie Jenkins *(niece of Vernida Summers)*
Tom Krauter, Jr, *(son of Tom Krauter)*
Cheryl Linton *(sister-in-law of Joseph Miano)*
Shannell McCain *(cousin of John and Jay Zvirgzdins.)*
Rose McKay *(friend of Alexis Cunningham)*
Sandra Morris *(sister-in-law of Vanessa Morris)*
Rosilyn Oldham *(friend of Alexis Cunningham)*
Martin Rodgers *(cousin of Jerri Bolden)*
Ellen Saville *(friend of Keith Neuber)*
Christine Schwepker *(friend of Don Albers & Karen Totra)*
Arrion Soll *(friend of Jerri Bolden)*
Vernida Summers
Gail Theide (sister-in-law of Pauline McFall)

The Elder of the Weekend leads prayer in the Prayer Chapel at 10:45 a.m. each Sunday for those on the prayer list. All are welcome to join him. Please also take the opportunity to pray for those on the prayer list during the week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Our Redeemer Lutheran in Overland, Missouri, invites you to a Service of Sacred Music for the seasons of Advent and Christmas. The service takes place Sunday, December 20, starting at 3 pm. In addition to Our Redeemer's vocal and handbell choirs, guest instrumentalists will enhance the music with strings, oboe, and flute. Together, the choirs and musicians will perform instrumental music, choral works, and congregational hymn settings by composers Carl Schalk, Walter Pelz, Kevin Hildebrand, Jacob Weber, J.S. Bach, Jonathan Kohrs, John Rutter, Henry Gerike, K. Lee Scott, Felix Mendelssohn, and more. Brief devotional commentaries focus on the hymn "Where Shepherds Lately Knelt," a hymn that is the basis of the service theme "A Welcome There for Me."
Our Redeemer is located at 9135 Shelley Avenue in Overland. Contact the church office at 314-427-3444 for more information. A dessert reception follows the service.
Our Redeemer invites the public to enjoy this seasonal service of music. A free-will offering to support Our Redeemer's music ministry will be received.

Boar's Head Christmas Festival: Celebrating our 30th year! Join us for our 2026 presentations; Thursday, December 3, 7:30 p.m., Friday, December 4, 7:30 p.m., Saturday, December 5, 2:30 p.m., and Sunday, December 6, 2:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Peace Lutheran Church, 737 Barracksview Road, St. Louis, MO 63125. (314) 892-5610. A freewill offering will be accepted at each service.

MUSIC

If you're interested in joining Chapel's Choral Singers but 7pm rehearsals on Thursday don't work for you, here's how you can join! This brief survey below allows you to tell me what time during the week you could come and learn the choir's music with me, either one-on-one or in a small group. Scan the QR code to complete the survey, or you can ask me to send it to you via email. Sing boldly! Timothy Mars

LIFE TEAM

"Christmas means we are not alone; the Child who was born to die for us then is with us now as we walkthrough all the joys and sorrows of life." *CMDA weekly devotions, Christian Medical & Dental Associations*

MAPP GOD'S WORD

1 John 2:12 – "I write unto you, little children, because your sins are forgiven you for His names sake."

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Coming up at Chapel

Tuesday, December 1
10:00 AM Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, December 2
5:00 PM Advent Dinner
6:30 PM Advent Service

Thursday, December 3
7:00 PM Choral Singers

Friday, December 4
10:00 AM Men's bible Study and lunch

Saturday, December 5
9:00 AM Christmas Decorating
5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, December 6
Advent 2
8:30 AM Worship Service
9:45 AM Youth & Adult Bible Study
11:00 AM Worship Service

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Deuteronomy 8:3 – "And he humbled you…that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord." The flip side to this statement is what Jesus told us about worrying in Matthew 6:33 "Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." When we put things in the right order – with God, His kingdom and His Word first – everything else falls into place.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (11/22/2026):
- Worship 196 including 14 visitors.

Last week's offering (11/22/2026):
- General Fund: $8,851
- Building / Capital Fund: $287
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: $42

YTD Offerings:
- General Fund: $598,313
- Building / Capital Fund: $135,999

YTD Need:
- General Fund: $712,020
- Building / Capital Fund: $49,679