

BIBLE STUDY

Sunday 9:45 am
“The Miracles of Jesus” – “Parables in the Bible” Room 9

Children’s Sunday School –
Rooms 2 & 4

Senior High Youth – Youth Room

Announcements

Highlighting 60 Years of Chapel Ministries and Organizations – Friends of Mom Ministry. As part of Chapel’s 60th anniversary celebration, we continue to highlight the many ministries and organizations offered here. The purpose is to make you aware of the various opportunities to serve and be a part of Chapel. This month we feature the Friends of Mom Ministry. Friends of Mom was birthed in early 2000, by a group of nurses who recognized that many young mothers were lacking necessities for their children. It has now come to fruition as a well-established Ministry here at COTC dedicated to serving the surrounding community by assisting mothers (and anyone assuming the role) with basic essentials needed for newborns to age 4. All items are donated. Anyone who is in need, pregnant, or raising young children have an opportunity to freely receive clothing, shoes, diapers, toys, blankets, books, foodstuffs from the Baby Boutique. Items such as strollers, tubs, walkers, and other baby gear are also given as they become available. In addition to the materials received, often clients are in need of spiritual counseling; and what better place to receive guidance than here at COC. FOM is a lighthouse here in North County that the clients truly appreciate.

Although FOM have several committed ladies who serve diligently, we can always use more volunteers to assist in other areas that make FOM flow efficiently and effectively. Prayerfully consider volunteering, at your convenience, to this wonderful ministry that helps so many that are in need. For detailed information, please contact Lowanda Johnson, Marsha Geisz, or the Church office. However, any of the ladies who serve in the Friends of Mom Ministry will be willing to assist you. Thank you much. Looking forward to hearing from some of you.

Chapel is looking to hire. The position of Porter has for years faithfully worked opening and closing the building, been helpful in setting up for events, stocking supplies and generally helping the staff and members when needed - especially around our church services on Saturdays and Sundays. If you or someone you know would like to apply to work at Chapel as a Porter, or have any questions, see Bill Rusnak.

Scholarship Fund: You may have noticed the “Scholarship Fund” envelope in your box of offering envelopes. The gifts received for the Scholarship Fund support Chapel’s commitment to help our families with children in Lutheran grade schools and high schools, and men and women in Lutheran colleges or seminaries pursuing church work careers. If you are able, please support Chapel’s Scholarship Fund.

In Our Prayers this week...

Those with Health Concerns:
David Applebaum (*family member of Bill and Marilyn Miller*)
Steve Becker (*friend of John Zvirgzdins*)
Tanjila Bolden
Helga Brown
Gena Burroughs
Norma Conley (*friend of Aulderay Fields*)
Morgan Cunningham (*friend of Jon Rogers*)
Matthew Dina (*relative of the Uttley family*)
Clyde Dempsey (*father of Julie Seibert*)
Shari Lou Eakins (*friend of Jon Rogers*)
Janelle Edwards (*friend of John Jordan*)
David Eggers
Allan Enstall
Aulderay Fields
Pauletta Fields (*Aulderay Fields sister-in-law*)
Darlene Franklin (*friend of Georgia Thomas*)
John Gassner (*cousin of Gloria Uttley*)
Jan Hahn
Carolyn Hanneman
Rita Hayes (*sister of Jim Crosier*)
Donna Heinrich
Ashley Hochuli (*grand-daughter of Marilyn and Bill Miller*)
Lois Hoffmann
Virgil Hoffmann
Alice Holtgrewe
Dr. James Hudson (*cousin of Alexis Cunninham*)
Camille Johnson (*friend of Aulderay Fields*)
Ali Kloppenburg
Joyce Lackey
Mel Lefkowitz (*friend of Nancy Swoboda*)
Bill Madison (*son-in-law of Bill and Marilyn Miller*)

Pam Mains
Peggy Miller
Joe Miano, Sr. (*father of Joe Miano*)
Patricia Miano (*mother of Joe Miano*)
Frank Mosley
Clara Mueller
Fred Palmer (*friend of Barbra Newton*)
Ellis Perry
Olivia Reichgert (*Stan Schwede’s nephew’s daughter*)
Gerri Renken
Rosilyn Cunningham Schmitt (*mother of Robert Cunningham*)
Diane Schwede
Connie Scott
Jill Seibert (*mother of Steve Seibert*)
Jim Seibert (*father of Steve Seibert*)
Gail Shultz
John Simon
Joan Smith (*friend of Aulderay Fields*)
Johnnie Spears
Anthony Starks (*brother of Antoinette Ray*)
Pam Taylor
Jean Thomas
George Tomazi
Gloria Uttley
Kathleen W. (*friend of Alice Holtgrewe*)
Robyn Walen (*friend of John Jordan*)
Stephanie Wallace
Mickie Wallerstein (*friend of Bill & Marilyn Miller*)
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*)
David Charak (*friend of Nancy Swoboda*)
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*)
Bianca Jackson (*friend of Vernida Summers*)
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*)
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*)
Shelby Smith (*friend of Faith Cunningham*)
Arrion Soll (*friend of Jerri Bolden*)
Vernida Summers
Gary Timm

Those Who Celebrate: Jim and Cathy Crosier as they celebrate their 59th wedding anniversary on August 26.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

The Mary-Martha Guild will again this year be taking preorders for Mixin Fixins. Starting on August 8, through September 13, you can place your order at the Crocus Bookstore. A list of Mixin Fixin products we are making this year will be available. The price is the same as last year, \$10.00. You will be able to pick up your orders on Saturday October 31 and Sunday November 1. Fundraiser recipients will be announced later in the Chapel Weekly. Thank you for your support.

CrossRoads: Contributions for the Fall issue of CrossRoads are due by Sunday, September 6.

Operation Christmas Child: “In an effort to spread out our collection of items for Operation Christmas child shoeboxes throughout the year, we will focus on collecting the following items during July and August: CLOTHING t-shirts, shorts, flip flops, skirts, undergarments, socks, simple dresses. SCHOOL SUPPLIES small notebooks, paper, pencils, crayons, markers, colored pencils, scissors, pencil sharpener. Of course we would continue to collect all items from previous months all year long. You can place your donations in the big Christmas box in the welcome center. Thank you for supporting this mission

MUSIC

Choral Singers: “Sing to Him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts” (Psalm 33:3). Regular rehearsals for the Choral Singers will begin Thursday, September 3 at 7:00 p.m. This ensemble practices each week for an hour and a half and sings from September-May. If you are interested in joining us or have any questions, contact Timothy Mars (Director of Music Ministry). Knowing how to read music is *not* a prerequisite! Please come and help lead the people of God in worship and song. Hope to see you there!

LIFE TEAM

“The One who bore our griefs and carried our sorrows is now seated in sovereign authority over all things. He is not pacing the floor of heaven, wringing His hands. He is reigning. And because He reigns, we can have courage and peace even when our world seems like it’s unraveling before our very eyes.” *Rev. Brian W. Thomas – A Life Quote from Lutheran For Life*

We know that God cherishes life at all stages, from embryo to infant to toddler to teenager to adult to old age. Each week during 2026, the Life Team will be recognizing the birthdays of our older members at Chapel of the Cross. If we miss your birthday or if we have the wrong date, please call the church office to get our records corrected. This week, we recognize the birthdays of the following:

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| Linda Moellering-Elmeier – August 27 | Dorothy Oliver – August 28 |
| Penny Carpenter – August 29 | Jerri Bolden – August 30 |
| Annette Rueckert – August 30 | Faye Snyder – August 31 |
| Grace Green – September 2 | M. Glenn Lackey – September 2 |

MAPP GOD’S WORD

James 5:14-15 – “Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: And the prayer of faith shall deliver the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he has committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.”

Coming up at Chapel

Tuesday, August 25
2:00 PM Grief Share

Saturday, August 29
5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, August 30
8:30 AM Worship Service
9:45AM Youth & Adult Bible Study
11:00 AM Worship Service

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT
Romans 12:1 – “I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.”
That’s the order: God’s mercies, then our sacrifice. Since God’s mercies are all-encompassing, so is our sacrifice: a total sacrifice, our total selves placed over into God’s service according to how He has called each of us individually to serve in home, church and society.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week’s attendance 8/16/2026):
• Worship 174 including 11 visitors.

Last week’s offering (8/16/2026):
• General Fund: \$6,313
• Building / Capital Fund: \$3,622
• 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$37

YTD Offerings:
• General Fund: \$417,299
• Building / Capital Fund: \$119,540

YTD Need:
• General Fund: \$489,060
• Building / Capital Fund: \$34,881