

THE CHAPEL Weekly



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THE CROSS
LUTHERAN

Living in faith, hope, and love

April 12, 2026

BIBLE STUDY

Sunday 9:45 am

"The Miracles of Jesus" –
Room 9

Children's Sunday School –
Rooms 2 & 4

Senior High Youth – Youth Room

Confirmation – Room 8

Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Bible study on the Prophet Isaiah.

Discovery Class

First and Third Tuesday 10:00 a.m.

Women's Bible Study- Room 8
"When you've been wronged"

Announcements

Highlighting 60 Years of Chapel Ministries and Organizations – Music 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 Chapel's Music Ministry. This vital ministry carries a long history of amazing moments and personal memories. Chapel's Music Ministry pertains not only to our choirs but also to our instrumentalists and those who contribute special musical talents. Matt McEuen is our Interim Music Director so if you are interested in being a part of this ministry or if you would like to learn more about it, please contact the church office and they will put you in touch with Matt.

Call Extended: During a special meeting of the Voters' Assembly on March 15, Chapel of the Cross voted to extend a Divine Call to Mr. Timothy Mars to serve as our next Director of Music. Mr. Mars is currently a graduating senior at Concordia University Nebraska, so there are several entities involved in this process. Please keep both Chapel and Mr. Mars in your prayers as this process continues.

The Gateway Ringers is auditioned community handbell choir ringing sacred, pop, theme songs, and more. They will be performing at Chapel of the Cross on April 19 at 4:00 PM. All concerts are free and open to the public.

Special Sunday Bible Class: The Rev. Dr. Ely Prieto, Associate Professor of Practical Theology at Concordia Seminary, will lead a special 4-week Sunday morning Bible class starting Sunday, April 19. The class will explore the call and opportunity to minister to people with disabilities in the local congregation. We will discuss the difficult reality and our response, disability in the Old and New Testaments, and people with disabilities - their needs and the Church. Come to Bible class Sundays at 9:45 am in the Sanctuary, starting April 19.

Mary-Martha Guild will hold its next meeting on Monday April 13 at 6:30 pm. Our guests that evening will be the Florissant Barbershoppers. Included in the group are Chapel members Bill Westbrook and Ken Gerler. We will also have an ingathering for Friends of Mom. Items needed are: diapers size 4, 5 and 6, wipes, and new or slightly used Spring and Summer clothes, size 2, 3 and 4. Refreshments and a business meeting will follow. Everyone is invited to come for an entertaining evening.

TJ's pizza orders are ready for pick up this weekend. If you ordered pizzas or desserts you can pick them up in the gym kitchen freezer. Thank you for your support of LAMP mission teams!

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
Kim Bruce (*friend of Dawn Iborg*)
Norma Conley (*friend of Alderay Fields*)
Ruthie Crawford (*friend of Julie Griffith*)
Pam Crecelius (*sister-in-law of Roy & Sharon Crecelius*)
Morgan Cunningham (*friend of Jon Rogers*)
Bob & Carolyn Delohi
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*)
Aulderay Fields
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
Alice Holtgrewe
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*)
Aminius Matthews (*son of Alicia Harris*)
Rose McMurtery (*mother of Doris Eggers*)
Alex Metz (*friend of Steve and Julie Seibert*)
Peggy Miller
Joe Miano, Sr. (*father of Joe Miano*)
Patricia Miano (*mother of Joe Miano*)
Fred Palmer (*friend of Barbra Newton*)
Ellis Perry
Annette Rueckert
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
Pam Taylor
Dale Ternaprovich (*brother of Joyce Lackey*)
Jean Thomas
Gloria Uttley
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*)
Bob Crecelius (*brother of Roy Crecelius*)
Sue Gassner (*cousin of Gloria Uttley*)
Damien Gregory (*great-grandson of Gale Damm*)
Tenisha Hackett (*niece of Carla Rainey*)
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.*)
Peggy Meisch (*friend of Julie and Steve Seibert*)
Bob Novak (*friend of Joe Miano*)
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
Lindsay Wagoner (*friend of Julie Seibert*)

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

Childcare Open House: Bethlehem's Childcare will be hosting an Open House on April 30th, from 3:30pm to 6pm. We are looking for volunteers to help in the 2-, 3-, and 4-year-old classrooms during this time. If you are able to volunteer or have questions, please contact Vicar Chuck.

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 March and April: CRAFTS: small craft kits, sewing kits(dollar tree) stickers, pipe cleaners, beads and string, small fishing kits. SMALL STUFFED ANIMALS: any new, soft and lovable item, squishy, TY beady animals. You can place your donations in the big Christmas box in the welcome center. Thank you for supporting this mission!

Help needed: The Food Pantry needs a secretary four Thursdays a month and an additional two to four hours a week at home updating client information. Duties include answering the phone, reporting donations received from Sav A Lot, Foodbank Schnucks etc., writing letters, filing, placing orders and tracking client attendance. A basic knowledge of Word and Excel is needed. For more information contact Loretta on Thursdays at 314-741-5667, home 314-239-6472, email hhfoodpantry@gmail.com.

CrossRoads Photographer Chapel is looking for someone to take photos of events at Chapel, such as Easter, Christmas, VBS and other events. If you are interested, please see Ken and Marilyn Kreitner or call 314-313-7909.

The 22nd Annual Lutheran Older Adult Retreat This annual event is April 15-16, 2026, at the Pere Marquette Lodge in Grafton, Illinois. Sponsored by Southern Illinois District LCMS, this event offers fellowship, worship, and study for seniors in a scenic riverfront setting. The focus on Fellowship and rejuvenation through Speakers, Sessions, Bible Study and Entertainment. See the Welcome Center display.

Friends of Birthright STL Spring Luncheon Card & Game Party: Come Play Bridge, Dominos, Mahjong, or any Game. Or just come for lunch! Thursday, April 30th 10:00-2:00 PM, St. Clement of Rome Parish Center. Tickets \$40.00. RSVP at: https://etapestry.com/onlineforms/BirthrightCounselingStLouis_1/springcardparty.html.

BIBLE STUDY

Ladies Bible Study/Fellowship - A study on the book "When You've Been Wronged" on the first and third Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning 9:45 Study - "The Miracles of Jesus" - See the Welcome Center desk for more information.

Wednesday Evenings 6:30 pm Bible Study, We will resume covering the Prophet Isaiah on April 8.

LIFE TEAM

Jesus sent out His apostles with His Spirit to be His witnesses, bringing His peace to the world through the forgiveness of sins (John 20:21; Acts 5:32). Through their witness and the witness of the believers who followed, we too have been brought to faith and are therefore blessed even though we have not seen Jesus with our eyes (1Peter 1:8; John 20:29). When we "praise the Lord" (Psalm 148:1) with our Gospel-motivated voices, our neighbors are also brought to see Jesus through us, that they too may believe and "have life in His name" (John 20:31).

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 2025, 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:

Donald Bachmann – April 16
Clara Hampton – April 18

Carolyn Hanneman – April 17
Audrey Spears – April 18

MAPP GOD'S WORD

Hebrews 7:25 – "Therefore he able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever lives to make intercession for them."

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Coming up at Chapel

Monday, April 13

6:30 PM Mary-Martha Guild
7:00 PM Elders

Wednesday, April 15

6:30 PM Bible Study

Thursday, April 16

7:00 PM Choral Singers

Friday, April 17

9:00 AM LHSN Faith in Action

Saturday, April 18

5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, April 19

8:30 AM Worship Service
9:45AM Youth & Adult Bible Study
11:00 AM Worship Service
4:00 PM Gateway Ringers Concert

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

1 Peter 1:3-4 – "He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you." We have an inheritance waiting for perspective on the treasures of this earth. They are fleeting. They come and go. But we can use the treasures of this earth for the work of the kingdom that will not fade away.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (4/5/2026):

- Worship 322 and 32 visitors.

Last week's offering (4/5/2026):

- General Fund: \$42,228
- Building / Capital Fund: \$1,109
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$77

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$204,046
- Building / Capital Fund: \$16,039

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$207,480
- Building / Capital Fund: \$14,798