

Living in faith, hope, and love

April 23, 2023

BIBLE STUDY

Sunday 9:45 am Bible classes: Lower Level Weekly Readings 9:45 am Room #9 Children's Sunday School Room #2 & #4 Senior High Youth Room Youth Confirmation Room #8 Upper Level Luther's Large Catechism Room A,

Woman's Bible study 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 10:00 am In Christ – A STUDY IN THE PROMISES OF GOD Study copies are at the Welcome Center

Wednesday 6:30 pm Hebrews Room #8.

Room #8 May 2 and 16.

Through May.

Announcements

Rummage Sale April 28 and 29, 2023: See the Commons counter display. Helpers needed to sort items on Wednesday 4/26 at 10:00 a.m. Please bring items to the Gym stage from Saturday, April 22, to Wednesday, April 26. Proceeds support our Summer Camp! **Please, mark your calendar to come and shop with your friends!**

The Helping Hands Food Pantry will be a drop off location again for the Girl Scouts April Showers. Our pantry will get to share everything that is dropped off with our clients. If you don't receive an April Showers plastic bag you could donate to the Food Pantry cart located by the office at church. We could also use canned fruit 12-15 oz. cans, canned tuna and jelly. We no longer are accepting egg cartons or plastic bags.

Lutheran Day at the Ballpark: Join us at Lutheran Day at the Ballpark on Sunday, May 7 at 1:15 p.m. for an interleague matchup between the Cardinals and the Detroit Tigers. Tickets are \$25 each and include a jumbo hot dog and soda. Tickets can be picked up at Lutheran North beginning May 1. The first 10,000 kids age 15 and younger with a ticket will receive a long sleeve hooded pullover. Stick around to watch the Crusaders battle Lutheran South following the Cardinal game. Proceeds from the sale of each ticket benefit the Crusader baseball program.

In Need of Prayer? Please know that your Board of Elders is willing and available to pray for you! In addition to our Elder of the Week praying through our prayer list in the Prayer Chapel on Sunday morning at 10:45 a.m., our elders would be happy to receive your prayer requests and lift you up before the Father in heaven. Don't hesitate to call your elder. If you don't know who your elder is, call the church office (314-741-3737).

Invest with LCEF For a limited time, Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) is offering a 6-month fixed-rate term note at 4.5%. The minimum investment to open an account is \$500. This offer is for new money only and is available for Lutheran Church Missouri Synod members. Apply online at www.lcef.org.

Thank you to Pastor Laesch for the special family communion and for the flowers and special wishes from Chapel friends for her 98th birthday, Carolyn Hanneman & family,.

In Our Prayers this week...

Those with Health Concerns:

Jan Arban Joan Arban Willie Ball (friend of Aulderay Fields) Tracy Ball (friend of Aulderay Fields) Vivian Berry Dorothy Bischoff Loretta Bolar (cousin of Alexis Cunningham) Taniila Bolden Mardell Brown (friend of Georgia Thomas) Sharon Casey (friend of Julie Griffith) Ivy Rose Clark (relative of Alexis Cunningham) Kim Cunningham (daughter-in-law to Alexis Cunningham) Robert Cunningham III Donna Dansberry (sister of Alexis Cunningham) Linda Edgington Kymm Fehrs Aulderay Fields David Funke John Gasner (cousin of Gloria Uttley) Susanna Gregory (daughter of Gale Damm) Carolyn Hanneman Rita Hayes (sister of Jim Crosier) Judy Hoelker (aunt of Christy Boehmer) Darryal Hughes (cousin of Aulderay Fields) Angela Jones (friend of Georgia Thomas) Althea Jackson (sister-in-law to Vernida Summers)

LaVoe Jackson (friend of Vernida Summers) Jordan Jones (friend of Ervin Wilson) Jimmie Jordan (brother of John Jordan) Paul Kelly (father of Rosalyn Cunningham Schmitt) Jamie Kirkpatrick (grandson of Audrey Luedtke) Marilyn Koester (Diane Timm's cousin) Jovce Lackev Audrey Luedtke Bella Matakas (niece of Ken Gerler) Elsie Meyer Kirk Mueller Katy Moran (friend of Jon Rogers) Ethel Moreau (friend of Audrey Luedtke) Leona Pellegrino (god-daughter of Alexis Cunningham) Darold Pendleton (nephew of Georgia Thomas) Karen Rae (relative of Maire Trelz) David Schlictmann (father of Craig Schlictmann) Henry Scott (friend of Georgia Thomas) Bud Shultz Gail Shultz Rosilyn Smith (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Agnes Soll (friend of Jerri Bolden) Johnnie Spears Sandy Stephens (friend of Nancy Swoboda) Linda Tavlor Dale Ternaprovich (brother of Joyce Lackey) Jean Thomas Amanda Tocco (friend of Roberta Loesch) Lionel Ward (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Hsea Wells (friend of Alexis Cunningham)

Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer:

Eva Brown (food pantry) Tammy Bushman (daughter of Mike and Jean Mueller) Lisa Capehart (niece of Art Williams) Mike Datillo (uncle of Jayme Zvirgzdins) Janet Dickhudt (friend of the Luedtke family) Diane Goetz-Jordan (step-daughter of Keith Wetzel) Agnes Gray (friend of Jerri Bolden) Tom Hetrick (nephew of Audrey Luedtke) Justin Hodge (friend of Jon Rogers) Bianca Jackson (friend of Vernida Summers) Stan Jones (cousin of Marilyn Miller) Ed Kamphoefner (brother to Kathy Mueller) Bob Krauter Tom Krauter, Jr, (son of Tom Krauter) Ken Leesman (husband of Christy Leesman) Cheryl Linton (sister-in-law of Joseph Miano) Mary Jo Loberg Gary Mantei Mary Oberman (friend of Lisa Hager) Marc Openlander (grandson of Art Williams) Martin Rodgers (cousin of Jerri Bolden) Ellen Saville (friend of Keith Neuber) Arrion Soll (friend of Jerri Bolden) Candy Summers (friend of Jayme Zvirgzdins) Vicki Williams (daughter of Bill & Grace Green) Bob Woodward (uncle of Jerry Bowen) Norma Young (friend of Alexis Cunningham)

Those Who Celebrate:

Heather Meyer and Trent Broeker as they were united in marriage on April 22.

Eve Zvirgzdins who celebrates her 9th birthday on April 23.

For Seminarians and their families: As they receive their calls and vicarage placements this week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Dear Chapel of The Cross Family: I want to express my thanks and appreciation for your constant prayers, calls/text, and beautiful cards. All of you lifted my spirit more than I could ever express. I am Blessed that God listened to your prayers and I am grateful to be a member of this "Awesome" congregation. Grateful and amazingly Blessed, Bessie L Mosley

OUTREACH

Chapel Travelers: Join us on our next Branson outing on Tuesday, June 6 and Wednesday, June 7. The itinerary has us leaving on the Chartered Bus from COTC at 7:00 am on June 6 and returning June 7 at 5:00 pm. The cost as of this week with a full bus of 55 - is \$239 for double occupancy and \$283 for single occupancy. Contact Ken Kreitner or Bill Rusnak for details. Register by Monday, May 15. Itineraries are available at the Welcome Center, next to the sign-up sheet. Limited spaces remain.

Salem Strongmen: Feeling sluggish? Feeling weaker than you once were? Is that true for your body and for your faith? Do something about it! Join us every Monday this summer, beginning on June 5. This group has five goals. 1) To encourage men to pray for and with one another. 2) To encourage good stewardship of the body. 3) To strengthen relationships among Christian men. 4) To hold one another accountable in the Christian walk. 5) To begin developing greater discipline that extends beyond physical activities. Each routine lasts 30 minutes and will begin and end with prayer. You need no equipment other than shoes and clothes that work for you. All fitness levels are welcome! We meet at 5:15 AM on the track behind Salem Lutheran School, 5190 Parker Rd, Black Jack, MO, 63033.

SUMMER CAMP

Summer Camp Counselors Needed: 2023 Chapel Summer Camp is May 30 through August 4. We are now accepting applications from those interested in being a counselor. Applicants must be at least graduating high school seniors. Please contact Summer Camp Interim Director, Bill Rusnak, to get your application.

Thrivent Members: In preparation for Summer Camp 2023, we are needing 7 more Thrivent Action Team gift cards for specific areas. If you are willing to help in this way speak with Bill Rusnak!

LIFE TEAM:

The resurrected and compassionate Jesus made Himself present in His loved ones' sadnesses. Our Lord is not absent but all the more active in difficulties like surprise pregnancy or terminal diagnosis. He redeems us and our sufferings to usher us into His exceeding glory. Not only do His words and ways deliver souls from death, but He also undertakes to relieve all tears from their eyes.

Coming up at Chapel

Monday, April 24 7:00 PM Board of Directors

Wednesday, April 26

6:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Children's Handbells 7:30 PM Chapel Bells

Thursday, April 27 7:00 PM Choral Singers

Friday, April 28 6:00 PM Rummage Sale

Saturday, April 29 9:00 AM Rummage Sale 5:00 PM Worship Service

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

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

1 Peter 1:18-19 - "You were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot." Christ ransomed us and bought us back from the slavery into which we were born. We do not belong to ourselves, to the devil or to the world. We belong to Jesus. Therefore, we live our lives not in accordance with our own wisdom. but in line with God's Word.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week's attendance (4/16/2023):

Worship 171 and 22 visitors

Last week's offering (4/16/2023):

- General Fund: \$10,239
- Building / Capital Fund: \$1,030
- 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$51

YTD Offerings:

- General Fund: \$200,716
- Building / Capital Fund: \$15,508

YTD Need:

- General Fund: \$228,384
- Building / Capital Fund: \$27,856

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