

BIBLE STUDY

Sunday 9:45 am
The Epistle from the Weekly Readings – Room 9

Children’s Sunday School – Rooms 2 & 4

Junior and Senior High – Youth Room

Wednesday 6:30 pm
Study of David – Room 9
Discovery Class – Room A

First and Third Tuesday
Women’s Bible Study-Biblical Heroines of Faith. – Room 8

Announcements

Highlighting 60 Years of Chapel Ministries and Organizations – Operation Christmas Child Shoebox 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 Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry. Chapel members Ellen and Mike Kehe lead this ministry at Chapel and actively reach out to Chapel members and friends to donate small gifts which fit into a shoebox for needy children around the world. The Operation Christmas Child organization partners with local congregations to share the saving message of Jesus Christ with these children. 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 Ellen and Mike.

TODAY is the final date to make a reservation for Chapel’s 60th Anniversary Potluck Celebration. The weekend of October 18/19 we will celebrate Chapel’s 60th anniversary in our church services where Pastor Mark Koschmann will be our guest preacher and Ryan Meyer will be our guest organist. Then on Sunday, October 19 the celebration will continue with a Potluck Luncheon in the gymnasium following the late service. Our guest speaker for the luncheon will be Dave Funke, Chapel’s retired Director of Adult Ministry. [Signup sheets are available in the Fellowship Commons.](#) Please provide your name, telephone number, number attending, and whether you will bring a salad, side dish, or dessert. TODAY is the deadline. We hope you will join us for this milestone occasion.

Thanksgiving Donations: The Helping Hands Food Pantry will be giving out Thanksgiving boxes to families in need. Chapel members are invited to donate food items to help give families a complete Thanksgiving dinner. Please take one or more food cards from the table in the Commons and bring in the food items by Sunday, November 9. You may donate cash in lieu of purchasing food. Make checks out to Helping Hands Food Pantry and place in the offering basket or bring to the church office. Thank you for helping to bring joy and Thanksgiving to families in need!

Director of the Week Earl Wendt is a charter member of Chapel. He is married to Sandy and they have 4 children and 5 grandchildren. He is retired from financial and IT Consulting. He was president, vice-president and currently secretary on the board of directors; served on board of elders, personnel committee chairperson; stewardship committee chairperson, finance committee; head usher, Men’s Club President, 50th Anniversary Chairperson; Gift Development team and Lutheran Senior Services Board Chairperson.

In Our Prayers this week...

<p>Those with Health Concerns: John Almstedt (food Pantry) David Applebaum (family member of Bill and Marilyn Miller) Steve Becker (friend of John Zvirgzdins) Tanjila Bolden Mardell Brown (friend of Georgia Thomas) Ivy Rose Clark (relative of Alexis Cunningham) Ruthie Crawford (friend of Julie Griffith) Morgan Cunningham (friend of Jon Rogers) Heather Drew Hannah Diamond Matthew Dina (relative of the Uttley family) Clyde Dempsey (father of Julie Seibert) Shari Lou Eakins (friend of Jon Rogers) Aulderay Fields Darlene Franklin (friend of Georgia Thomas)) John Gassner (cousin of Gloria Uttley) Ruthanna Garrison (friend of Joanne Fansin) Bill Graser (food Pantry) Carolyn Hanneman Rita Hayes (sister of Jim Crosier) Donna Heinrich Ashley Hochuli (grand-daughter of Marilyn and Bill Miller) Virgil Hoffmann Dennis Iborg (brother-in-law of Dawn Iborg) Marlo Johnson Shirley Johnson (friend of Jon Rogers) Jordan Jones (friend of Ervin Wilson)</p>	<p>Gerry Kettenbach (friend of Jeff Arnold) Ali Kloppenburg Joyce Lackey Audrey Luedtke Bill Madison (son-in-law of Bill and Marilyn Miller) Arminius Matthews (son of Alicia Harris) Alex Metz (friend of Steve and Julie Seibert) Joan Milligan (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Peggy Miller Joe Miano, Sr. (father of Joe Miano) Patricia Miano (mother of Joe Miano) Magnolia Morrow (food pantry) Karen Rae (relative of Maire Trelz) James Rogers (brother of Jon Rogers) Annette Rueckert Jill Seibert (mother of Steve Seibert) Jim Seibert (father of Steve Seibert) Edna Shanklin (friend of Alexis Cunningham) Gail Shultz John Simon Johnnie Spears Pam Taylor Dale Ternaprovich (brother of Joyce Lackey) Jean Thomas Anne Walkenhorst (friend of Steve and Julie Seibert) Mickie Wallerstein (friend of Bill & Marilyn Miller) Eric Williams (son of Betty and Les Williams) Celita White (co-worker of John Jordan) Curtis Young (food Pantry)</p>	<p>Those Receiving Treatment for Cancer: Jay Bentzinger (friend of Nancy Swoboda) Lisa Capehart (niece of Art Williams) Barb Carroll (friend of Don Albers & Karen Totra) Bob Crecelius (brother of Roy Crecelius) Sue Gassner (cousin of Gloria Uttley) Helen Gioia (cousin of Julie Griffith) Tenisha Hackett (niece of Carla Rainey) Wayne Haas (former member) Cheryl Hogan (daughter of Lois Hoffman) Adrian Hughes (Aulderay Fields) Sonja Hughes (friend of Adrienne Burton) Bianca Jackson (friend of Vernida Summers) Crystal Jackson (niece of Johnnie Spears) 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) 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</p> <p>Those Who Mourn: The family and loved ones of Henry Austin who died in the Lord on Sept. 22</p>
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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

The Flowers on the altar are in thanksgiving for my 86 years and for the love of family and friends. Clara Mueller

The Rose is in honor of Heather Broeker’s 29th birthday. Steve and Julie Seibert

The Radio Broadcast is being sponsored by the Mary-Martha Guild in honor of LWML Sunday.

The Mary-Martha Guild will hold its next meeting on Monday October 13 at 6:30 p.m. We will meet in room 8. Our guest speaker will be Dan Fuller, a historian from Bellefontaine Cemetery. His topic will be Notorious Women. Refreshments and a business meeting will follow. All ladies are invited to attend.

Children’s Ministry Partner Needed! Help share the Good News about Jesus with the children at Chapel! There are several ways you can become involved:

- Teach or help with Sunday School
- Bring a Sunday School snack
- Prep crafts for Sunday School
- Help with the Children’s Christmas Program and/or other special family events

Contact Mary Laesch (marylaesch@gmail.com or 314-704-6906). Thank you!

Family Night Thank you to everyone who made our first Family Night such a success! We were blessed to come together with our community to share a time of fellowship .Mark your calendars! Our next Family Night will be Tuesday, October 28th from 5:30-7:30pm. We are looking for volunteers to help with the children’s Bible time and for one person to take the lead on preparing the meal (don’t worry, there are already volunteers signed up to help you!) If you’re interested or have questions, please reach out to Vicar Chuck at vicarchuck@chapelofthecross.org or 985-852-7958.

Thank you for continuing to fill the Christmas Box for Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry! We are fast approaching our Packing Date of Sunday November 2 after the Late Service in the Gym! While you can donate any listed item for the shoeboxes at any time. October’s emphasis will be focused on donations for the shipping of the boxes. They can be placed in an envelope indicating that it is for Shoebox ministry. Thank you again for blessing children around the world, and we look forward to Packing Day, November 2!

The Friend of Moms closet is need of NB-size 4 socks. Thank you for your support.

BIBLE STUDY

GriefShare: We meet on Tuesdays from 2:00 pm. Join Vanessa Morris and Bill Rusnak in the Parlor as we walk together through the journey from mourning to joy.

Wednesday Bible Study: Join us on Wednesday evenings in Room #8 at 6:30pm. Our study of David focuses on the life and faith of this man “after God’s own heart” as one committed to God’s will and commands. Bring your Bible as we too, seek to align our desires and actions with God’s.

Men’s Small Group Study: Friday, October 17, 31, November 7, 21 10:00 a.m. in the parlor. Men, please bring a photo or two of your father.

LIFE TEAM

Fatherhood embodies the gift and the work of God Himself. In bringing forth life from their very bodies, our Heavenly Father makes men into His instruments and agents. He expects a strong love from them because He has endowed them with His own. Let us encourage them to protect their children, even when inconvenient, and provide for mothers, even if difficult.

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:

Catherine Allen – October 9

Thomas Krauter – October 15

MAPP GOD’S WORD

Revelation 1:3 - "Blessed is he that reads, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand."

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Coming up at Chapel

Tuesday, October 7
10 AM Women’s Bible Study
2:00 PM Grief Share

Wednesday, October 8
6:30 PM Bible Class

Thursday, October 9
7:00 PM Choral Singers

Saturday, October 11
9:30 AM Women’s Fellowship
5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, October 12
8:30 AM Worship Service
9:45 AM Bible Study
11:00 AM Worship Service

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Luke 17:10 – “So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.’” We can never put God in our debt. Even if we lived in perfect compliance with the Law, we would still only be unworthy servants. Our giving to the Lord’s work in the church is a sign that we recognize our role as servants. Furthermore, we give because we recognize our own need for that work of the Lord in the church. And what a blessing it is to give to the church so that the ministry of His Word and Sacraments may reach all in our community.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week’s attendance (9/28/2025):
• Worship 186 and 14 visitors

Last week’s offering (9/28/2025):
• General Fund: \$8,966
• Building / Capital Fund: \$605
• 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$53
• Total 1-1-1 for September: \$176.00

YTD Offerings:
• General Fund: \$452,080
• Building / Capital Fund: \$56,247

YTD Need:
• General Fund: \$580,560
• Building / Capital Fund: \$41,520