



THE CHAPEL Weekly

November 9, 2025

BIBLE STUDY

Sunday 9:45 am

The Epistle from the Weekly Readings – Room 9

Children's Sunday School – Rooms 2 & 4

Senior High Youth – Youth Room
Confirmation – Room 8

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 – Chapel's Children's Program.

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 Children's Program. Mary Laesch serves as Chapel's Children and Family Ministry Coordinator and is instrumental in leading our Sunday School program, directing the Children's Christmas Program, coordinating the Vacation Bible School with neighboring churches, along with a variety of other children-related activities. 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 Mary.

From the Call Committee: As we seek to call our next Director of Music we are asking our congregation for candidates they know who may be available to fill this important position. Please contact Call Committee Chair, Patrice Skellett (prskellett@att.net) or 314-306-4540 or Pastor Laesch with the potential candidate's name, phone number, and any other pertinent information, or if you have questions about the process. The deadline for submissions is November 23, 2025. The committee is looking forward to your participation and contributions in our process to call our next Director of Music

Food Pantry Update We give thanks to God for Diane Timm and her many years of service to the Lord and His people through her work at Helping Hands Food Pantry. As Diane is transitioning away from leadership at the pantry, we also thank God for raising up other leaders to help and serve. Julie Griffith is now taking over as director. Please keep Diane, Julie, the pantry, and those the pantry serves in your prayers during this transition. To contact Julie, or to volunteer and help, email her at njgriffy1947@gmail.com

Voters' Meeting The annual Voters Assembly meeting will be held on Monday, December 1, 2025. The meeting will start shortly after that evening's Service of Confession and Absolution. We expect the meeting to start at approximately 7:00 pm. During this meeting we will hear from the staff ministry leads and conduct several important items of business including the ratification of next year's Board of Directors and Board of Elders, acceptance of Chapel's 2026 budget and voting on Chapel's new endowment bylaws. Please plan to attend to hear about your church in action and to vote on these important congregational matters.

The Flowers on the altar are in memory of loved ones from Julie Griffith and in honor of Marie Niedringhaus' birthday on November 10 from her family.

The Radio Broadcast is being sponsored by Ken Gerler in celebration of his wife, Karin Schubert-Gerler's 85th birthday.

In Our Prayers this week...

Those with Health Concerns:

Marty Albers
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*)
Norma Conley (*friend of Alderay Fields*)
Ruthie Crawford (*friend of Julie Griffith*)
Morgan Cunningham (*friend of Jon Rogers*)
Heather Drew
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*)

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
Rosilyn Cunningham Schmitt (*mother of Robert Cunningham*)
Diane Schwede
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*)
Curtis Young (*food Pantry*)

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*)
Damien Gregory (*great-grandson of Gale Damm*)
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*)
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*)
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

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

Praise be to God-167 boxes packed! Thank you to all the volunteers that helped fill the boxes for Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry! Please pray for the children who will receive these boxes-that they may know the love of God for them. We are still accepting donations toward the shipping of the boxes; a donation of \$10 covers the shipping of one box to its destination. We will learn of the destination of the boxes and share it in the coming months. Thank you for being a blessing to children around the world.

Crocus Gifts & Books are open for the holidays. Please visit and find Thanksgiving cards, Christmas cards, gift ideas for everyone. Check out the discount table also.

The Mary-Martha Guild will meet on Monday November 10, in room 8 at 6:30 pm. Mary-Martha member Jennifer Krupp will tell us about her mission trips to Kenya and Uganda. We will have a Monetary Ingathering for Concordia Seminary Food Bank. (Please make any checks out to Mary-Martha Guild). Refreshments and a short business meeting will follow.

Nate Laesch Senior Recital Chapel member, Nate Laesch, will be giving his senior recital today, Sunday, November 9, at 12:00 p.m. at the Chapel of Christ Triumphant, Mequon, WI. The senior recital is a trumpet and voice performance and represents the culmination of repertoire studied at Concordia University Wisconsin. Chapel of the Cross has supported Nate in his Lutheran Music Education program. If you would like to watch the recital, it will be live streamed at: www.cuw.edu/stream/index.html?id=recital

Family Night: Our next Family Night is coming up on Tuesday, November 25, from 5:30–7:30pm! This month’s gathering will look a little different - we’ll be sharing a special Thanksgiving Dinner together! We’re looking for volunteers to help with cooking, serving, and clean-up. If you’d like to help or have any questions, please contact Vicar Chuck at vicarchuck@chapelofthecross.org or 985-852-7958. You can also sign up at the Welcome Center.

Immanuel Boar’s Head Christmas Festival: The 37th Boar’s Head Festival, will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church in St. Charles, December 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th. There will be a 7:30 performance each evening with afternoon performances at 4:00 pm both Saturday and Sunday. Tickets will be available on a first come, first served basis starting at 8:00 am on Monday, November 3 by calling the church office at 636-946-2656. There is no charge for the tickets, but there is a limit of 5 per person.

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.

LIFE TEAM

Even in a formless, dark and empty early universe, God made Himself present and powerful. Nothing and no one came into existence apart from the will and the Word of the Lord. And He extended His own glory and honor to the youngest, littlest, and weakest among us. Jesus clearly confirms the divine desire at work in surprise pregnancies: “Your child will live.”

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:

Carolyn Faerber – November 14
Stan Schwede – November 16

Paul Freund – November 16
Alice Holtgrewe – November 17

MAPP GOD’S WORD

Revelation 7:16-17 - "The shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun strike them, not any heat. For the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."

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Coming up at Chapel

Monday, November 10
6:30 PM Mary-Martha Meeting
7:00 PM Elders Meeting

Tuesday, November 11
2:00 PM Grief Share

Wednesday, November 12
6:30 PM Bible Class

Thursday, November 13
7:00 PM Choral Singers

Saturday, November 15
5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, November 16
8:30 AM Worship Service
9:45 AM Bible Study
11:00 AM Worship Service

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Mark 12:44 – “For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.” From Old Testament times right through to today the Lord has urged us to give to His work in the church in proportion to how He has blessed us. He has also called us to sacrificial giving, that is, giving that actually costs us something. That’s the shape of true Christian generosity.

HIS LOVE, OUR RESPONSE

Last week’s attendance (11/2/2025):
• Worship 180 and 10 visitors

Last week’s offering (11/2/2025):
• General Fund: \$14,589
• Building / Capital Fund: \$932
• 1-1-1 Dollar for Missions: \$24

YTD Offerings:
• General Fund: \$526,892
• Building / Capital Fund: \$62,003

YTD Need:
• General Fund: \$653,130
• Building / Capital Fund: \$46,710