

**What's Happening at
Chapel of the Cross**
Sunday, December 7, 2014

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Chapel's Elders are there for You

As a member of Chapel of the Cross, you have a person working for you whose duties are to "Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care" (1 Peter 5:2) If you have questions, concerns, or if you or someone you love are simply having difficulties and aren't sure if you need pastoral care, please pick up the phone and call your elder.

If your last name begins with:	Your Elder is:	Contact Number:
G, T-Tho	Chris Becker	636-288-3664(C)
A, R	Wyatt Gross	636-459-5496
S-She	Dan Heidelmeyer	636-240-1951
H	Roger Kutschkau	636-926-0986
Ti-Tu, W	Martin Koeneman	636-916-3507
F, I, N, O, Q	Art Goltz	636-978-3990
C,	Wade McKee	636-928-3699
Shr-Sw	Bill Miller	636-272-7578
M-Men, Z	Michael Moellering	314-922-7405
B-Be, D	Dave Riedemann	636-447-2427
K, X, Y	Doug Seifert	636-278-2782
Bi-By	Duane Theilen	636-387-3683
J, P, U	Bob VanGilder	314-650-2053
E, Mey-My	Richard Matt	636-970-2196
L, V	Justin Yockey	314-973-6618

Elder Chairman is Dan Heidelmeyer 314-623-0745(C)

Vice-Chairman is Duane Theilen

Chapel's First Fruits of Faith

Income: Weekend of November 30, 2014	This week	Yr to Date	'13 YTD
Budgeted Income Required:	\$ 13,848.70	\$ 664,737.60	—
Actual Budget Funds:	\$ 12,498.71	\$ 679,865.77	\$ 674,796.93
Electronic Giving (included in line above)	\$ 2,695.00	\$ 165,466.50	
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Abundant Giving:	\$ 267.50	\$ 22,504.00	
CRC India: Began 6/1/13	12.00	5,601.05	
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Attendance: Week 48	'14 Actual	'14 Wkly Ave	'13 Actual
	482	484	528
			'13 Wkly Ave
			479

And they did not do as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us in keeping with God's will."

"2 Corinthians 8:5

PRAYER CHAIN: Do you wish to have the Prayer Chain started for yourself or a loved one? Please call Marion Harris at 636-922-1278 or Ruth Koeneman at 636-916-3507. You are always welcome to join us as a Prayer Partner of the Prayer Chain.

Our Sunday Bible Studies Begin at 9:30am

Adults in the Education Wing:

“The Book of Acts” led by Rev. Mark Hoehner in Rm A.

“I Am Not Afraid: Demon Possession and Spiritual Warfare”
led by Rev. James Uglum in Rm B

Women’s Bible Study led by Anita Clausing in the lower level Education Wing

Chapel Youth in the Sunday School Classrooms

“The Story: Part II” for Chapel high school youth led by DCE Andrew Nelson in Daniel’s Den.

“The Book of Romans” for 8th grade youth led by Liz Riedemann and Clarice Sage in Rm 6.

“Confirmation Class” for 6th-7th grade youth led by Pastor Jim Prince in Rm 3.

Sunday School (Age 3-5th Grade) begins with opening in the Sanctuary at 9:25 AM.

Our Weekday Bible Studies

- Tue:** **Ladies Tuesday Morning Bible Study will return in Sept and will meet** every first and fourth Tuesday at 9:30 am in Rm 12. You are welcome to join us at any time. Any questions? Call Linda Little at 636-272-2701.
- Wed:** **Early Morning Bible Study** with Bob VanGilder at 6:30am at Bob Evans on Zumbahl Road. Our new topic is “Proverbs”. For more information, call Bob VanGilder 314-650-2053.
- Wed:** **Evening Adult Bible Study** meets in Rm A at 6:30 PM: “Creation, New Creation” with Pastor Bob Hoehner.
- Wed:** **Chapel High School Youth Group Bible Study** meet downstairs from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm for Open Gym, Games, Bible Study & Prayer.
- Sat:** **Men’s Bible Study.** We meet the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month from 7:30-9:00am on the lower level. A light breakfast is served at 7:30am. Our study begins at 8:00am. Questions? Call Butch Schleicher 636-946-3681.

Daily Bible Readings for 2 yr. Reading Plan

(may be started at any time)

"Today's Light" Bible is available from CPH. Daily readings are accompanied by study notes.

DEC	8:	PROVERBS	1-3	DEC	11:	PROVERBS	7
DEC	9:	PROVERBS	4	DEC	12:	PROVERBS	8
DEC	10:	PROVERBS	5-6	DEC	13:	PROVERBS	9

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL children learn about when "An Angel Visits Joseph." Just as the angel proclaimed to Joseph that Mary would bear an infant who is the Son of God, the Savior, so God proclaimed to us in His Word that this same Jesus is our Savior from sin and death. Parents could ask, "What important message did the angel give Joseph? What important message do we hear in God's Word?"

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JESUS EVENT- THIS SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

All Chapel families are invited to attend our annual Birthday Party for Jesus event featuring food, fun, and prizes! Beginning at 11:00 AM (following rehearsal for the Christmas Program) we will gather in the gym for a hotdog lunch, fun and game stations, a LIVE, interactive Christmas story, and birthday cake. While this event is specifically designed with our Sunday School age families in mind, all are welcome. Best of all, the event is FREE! We look forward to celebrating with you.

CHAPEL YOUTH HAPPENINGS

NO HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY UNTIL AFTER CHRISTMAS

Due to out midweek worship services, there will be no Chapel Youth Midweek until after the holiday season. All youth and families are encouraged to attend our soup suppers and worship services on Wednesday nights.

HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP—SUMMER 2015

We are still accepting registration forms for our summer mission trip to Camp Concordia in Gowen, Michigan this summer, July 5-11. Please return the registration form and your \$75 deposit to DCE Andrew Nelson by **Today, December 7**.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JESUS/YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

Middle school youth are encouraged to assist with our annual Birthday Party for Jesus event on **Saturday, December 13** from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. High School Youth will have their annual Christmas Party at 2:00 PM that afternoon. Among other things, we will have a \$1 Store gift exchange and a prize drawing for all youth wearing a Christmas sweater (the tackier the better).

“RE-MIX” HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH WINTER RETREAT-Jan 2 & 3

Join us for this overnight retreat with the youth group from Bethany Lutheran (Cedar Rapids, IA). There will be food, games, off-campus events, and time in worship and Bible study. The cost is \$20 for the weekend (covers all food, activities, etc.). The event will begin **Friday night, January 2 at 5:00 PM, ending around lunchtime on Saturday, January 3**. There will be an optional additional event Saturday afternoon. Registration opens this week!

CHAPEL’S YOUTH GROUP PAMPERED CHEF FUNDRAISER

Shop from your seat not your feet this Christmas, and support Chapel's Youth Group. Chapel's Youth Group is raising funds for their Mission trip to Camp Concordia in Michigan. Deadline for Pampered Chef orders is **Monday, December 8**. All orders will be back in time for Christmas. Need a gift shipped? We can Direct Ship your gift anywhere in the US. Ask Andrew Nelson for a catalog or go to pamperedchef.biz/barbcooks4u to see the full online catalog and place your order. Show name is "Chapel Youth". For questions, call Barb Woodworth at 636-577-1233, barbcooks4u@yahoo.com.

OTHER CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL MITTEN & GIVING TREES

Dear Chapel Family, we want to share with you that from **Sunday, November 23 through Sunday, December 14**, you will have the following opportunities to share the love of Christ for the 2013 Christmas Season:

MITTEN TREE: Help inner city adults and children and Seminary families by decorating our tree, which is placed in the narthex, with mittens, gloves, hats and scarves.

GIVING TREE: Help families who are in need by taking an ornament and purchasing a gift card. Some of these families the Pastors will have been working with, but we are also asking you to share with us if you know of any families that are in need.

THANK YOU!!

YOUNG AT HEART

Sunday, December 14: St. Charles Community Concert at First Baptist Church of St. Charles on Muegge Road, 8:00PM; cost \$10.

Thursday, December 18: "Young at Heart" potluck lunch at noon.
If you have any questions, please call Paul Ludy at 636-278-3881.

PAUL MAIER BOOK DISCUSSIONS COMING IN DECEMBER

Shelli Junkel and Kim Knouse will be leading book discussions on two of Dr. Maier's fiction books this December. On **Sunday, December 14th**, "**More Than A Skeleton**" will be discussed and on the next **Sunday, December 21st**, "**The Constantine Codex**" will be covered. Mark your calendars, start reading and plan to join in the lively conversation as we meet in Room B between services. Both books can be found in the church library.

SERVICE FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

Sunday, December 14, Chapel will have the next worship service geared for families with special needs children. This service will begin at **11:00 AM** in **Room A** of the new education wing. It will have all components of a regular worship service, but it will be a shorter and more interactive service that meets the learning needs of children with special needs. If you have any questions about this service please call Pastor Mark Hoehner. If you know of anyone who may benefit from such a service, please invite them to come.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Christmas season is right around the corner. This is an important time to celebrate the birth of our Savior. Nancy Seifert has again volunteered to lead the Children's Christmas Program for her 20th year. This year's Christmas program is called *Signs of Christmas*. Through the children's words and song we will again relive the blessed Christmas story. This important program will be presented on the evening of

Sunday, December 14 at 6:30 PM. This presentation is not just for the children and their parents and family, but for the entire Chapel of the Cross congregation. Please plan on joining us.

Important Dates and Practices:

Sundays	Dec. 7-13	Practice songs during Sunday School opening
Saturday	Dec. 13	9:00-11:00 am Full Program Practice
Sunday	Dec. 14	9:25-10:45 am Full Dress Rehearsal
Sunday	Dec. 14	6:15 pm Children arrive; 6:30 pm Show Time
Sunday	Dec. 21	Regular Sunday School

We encourage all children to participate. Children must attend practices to have an individual part. Individual parts will be assigned in Sunday School. Please see your child's Sunday School teacher for more details.

YOUTH MUSICIANS

Are you interested in playing pre-service music for the Sunday School Christmas Program on **Sunday, December 14th**? If so, please contact Nancy Seifert (seifert53@aol.com, 636-272-2782). Let her know what instrument and song you would like to play. If you have more than one song that you could play, please list them in order of your favorite first.

CHAPEL CIRCLE NEWS

The December meeting of the Chapel Circle will be held **Tuesday, December 16**, beginning at noon with a brown bag lunch. Hostesses for the day are Judy Wiegand and Jo Scheer. Debbie Theilen will give the devotion. All ladies attending are asked to bring a \$5 goft for the gift exchange.

CHAPEL CIRCLE COOKIE SALE TODAY!

Please help support Chapel Circle mission projects by purchasing a plate of cookies after each service. Cookies are \$7.00. Thank You!

HEARING ASSIST DEVICE HAS STOPPED WORKING

If you are hard of hearing, or wear a hearing aid or some other hearing device, we would like to hear from you. On **Sunday, December 14**, between services, we will hold a brief meeting in the Conference Room starting at 9:00 AM. We would like to understand what type of hearing technology you are using so that we can purchase the right system to serve your needs. If you have any questions, please contact Brad Biggers at 636-875-3757.

ANOTHER FIFTEEN

The following students have been in Sunday School TEN times this year: Quentin Brandt, Xavier Brandt, Anna Carroll, Pete Duffy, Christopher Durrell, Peter Hibbeler, JJ Hollowood, Reagan Marshall, Ezmae Pitzer, Hazel Pitzer, Camden Rodriguez, Brenden Schwarzen, Jonah Uglum, Mackenzie Uglum, and Brynna Walgate. The Youth and Family Life Council sends CONGRATULATIONS and thanks their parents for bringing them to Sunday School.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Continuing **Tuesday evenings through December 16**, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM there will be a meeting in Room B for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one. GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one. Our group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and want to help you through the difficult days ahead. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Mark Hoehner.

GROCERY, GAS, RESTAURANT & RETAIL GIFT CARDS FOR SALE

You are going to buy groceries anyway, so why not support our Benevolent Fund (to help those in need)? Buy gift cards from Chapel Scrip and a portion of the proceeds will come back to Chapel. See the sign behind the Scrip counter for a list of what we can get for you. We do offer some cards available for immediate sale or you can order cards and they will typically be in the following Sunday. Thank you for your support of the Scrip Gift Card Program. Our hours are: **Sundays from 9:00 to 10:30 am and the 2nd Monday of the Month from 7:30 to 8:10 pm.**

VENDING MACHINE TO BENEFIT BENEVOLENT FUND

Chapel now has a drink vending machine downstairs in the lower level lobby. The cost is \$0.75 per item. What a great way to quench your thirst and help those in need.

REMEMBER ARTICLES FOR THE NEXT WEEK'S WHAT'S HAPPENING ARE DUE IN THE OFFICE OR AT office@chapelofthecrosslutheran.org BY NOON ON THE WEDNESDAY BEFORE. THANK YOU!

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

(SEE BULLETIN BOARD FOR FURTHER INFO ON ANY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES/AREA EVENTS)

MUSIC AT ZION PRESENTS: "LESSONS AND CAROLS"

An evening of Music and Reflection preparing our hearts for Jesus, this evening **Sunday, December 7**, at 7:00 PM. Preservice music begins at 6:45 PM. Music by Zion's Choirs, Handbells, and Instrumentalists.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

Lutherans for Life, in partnership with the schools and churches of St. Charles County, raised funds to set up the *Adoption Initiative*. This fund was set up primarily to assist families in or near St. Charles County who are working through the adoption process. If you or a family you know of is currently adopting or looking at adoption as a possibility, and would like some financial assistance, please contact Delores Desemone at 636-447-3133.

KFUO RADIO: 90 YEARS IN 90 DAYS

Your Lutheran Radio Station KFUE Radio 850AM is celebrating its 90th Anniversary of broadcasting the Good News of Jesus Christ. This week, we focus on FAMILY, which we know the Bible emphasizes and we desire to as well. Our world today needs continued attention to stronger, healthier, God blessed family life, so this week we emphasize: the Holy Family, the Church Family, and the KFUE Family. Find us at kfuo.org and follow us at [Facebook.com/KFUOradio](https://www.facebook.com/KFUOradio).

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

TOPS is a nonprofit, noncommercial, weight-loss support and wellness education organization with thousands of chapters in the US and Canada. TOPS does not pay celebrities to endorse their group, and they don't promise quick fixes or promote unrealistic images of the "perfect body".

Instead they focus on HEALTH! True health is not a flat stomach, a certain pants size, or even a number on a scale. Health is having the energy and stamina to do the things you love with the people you care about. It is about enjoying the life you are living in the body you work hard to take care of - no matter how "imperfect" that body may seem.

Weekly TOPS meetings, on **Wednesday mornings**, led by volunteers, focus on making small, steady lifestyle changes that provide lasting weight loss and better health. Weigh-ins start at 8:15am and the meeting begins at 10:00am.

For more information call Sue Hill, Leader at 636.928.7131 or Linda Wilcox, Area Captain at 636.447.9056.

Sun.	12/07/2014	8:00 AM	CommunionWorship Service
		9:00 AM	Andrew Pelley Library Open
		9:00 AM	To 10:30 & 11:45 to 12:25 Chapel Scrip
		9:30 AM	Sunday School & Bible Classes meet
		10:45 AM	Communion Worship Service
		6:30 PM	AI-A in Rm 13
Mon.	12/08/2014	12:00 PM	Young at Heart Bowling
		1:00 PM	Needles and Hooks in Conf Room
		5:30 PM	Select Team Volleyball Practice in Gym
		6:30 PM	Church Council Mtg in Conf Room
		7:00 PM	CommunionWorship Service
		7:30 PM	Chapel Scrip
Tues.	12/09/2014	9:30 AM	Quilt Tacking in Lower Level Lobby
		6:00 PM	Refit Fitness in Gym
		7:00 PM	GriefShare in Rm B
		7:00 PM	Boy Scout Mtg in Room 13
		7:00 PM	Chapel Bells in Choir Loft
Wed.	12/10/2014	6:30 AM	Wed Early Morning Bible Study at Bob Evans
		8:30 AM	TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) in Rm A
		11:00 AM	Worship Service
		6:00 PM	Soup Supper in Gym
		7:00 PM	Advent Worship Service
		7:30 PM	Adult Choir Practice in choir loft
		7:30 PM	Select team Volleyball Practice in Gym
Thur.	12/11/2014	10:00 AM	To 4:00 PM Home School in Lower Level
		10:30 AM	AI-A in Room B
		1:00 PM	Comfort Group in Room A
		6:00 PM	Refit Fitness in Gym
		7:15 PM	Community Core in Room 13
Fri.	12/12/2014	6:00 PM	Boy Scout Lock –in in Gym
Sat.	12/13/2014	6:00 AM	Boy Scout Lock-in in Gym ends
		7:30 AM	Men’s Ministry Bible Study in Room 13
		9:00 AM	RefitFitness in Gym
		9:00 AM	Children’s Christmas Program Rehearsal
		9:00 AM	God & Me in Room B
		9:45 AM	AA in Rm A
		10:00 AM	Set up for Birthday Party for Jesus in Gym
		11:00 AM	Birthday Party for Jesus-All invited
Sun.	12/14/2014	8:00 AM	Worship Service
		9:00 AM	Andrew Pelley Library Open
		9:00 AM	To 10:30 AM Chapel Scrip in Coffee Shop
		9:30 AM	Sunday School and Bible Classes
		10:45 AM	Worship Service
		6:00 PM	AI-A in Rm 13
		6:30 PM	Sunday School Christmas Program

**CHAPEL'S
EVENTS
FOR
DECEMBER 7
through
DECEMBER 14**

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Week Beginning Sunday, December 7		
GREETERS:	8:00	Joanne Goers Bev Cossey
	10:45	Cornel & Margo Savala
ACOLYTES:	8:00	Emily Albers Ellie Clausing
	10:45	Amber Budd Anna Carroll
NURSERY:		Katie Krull
USHERS:	8:00	Bill Hankins* Beverly Hankins Kathy Collins Rich Minasian Janet Minasian Gary Obernuefemann Brent Pitzer
	10:45	Kim Woodworth* Doug Broste Bob Carter Randy Goltz Casey Goltz Tim Meyer Al Schuettpelz Roger Kutschkau Larry Diehl Mike Conant
ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION:	8:00	Roger Kutschkau Duane Theilen Richard Matt Wade McKee
	10:45	Bill Miller Dan Heidelmeyer Michael Moellering David Riedemann
	7:00	Wyatt Gross Chris Becker
ELDER ON DUTY:		Roger Kutschkau
TRUSTEE:		Tim Weber
COUNTERS:		Duane & Debbie Theilen Rich & Janet Minasian John & Joy Lomax

Week Beginning Sunday, December 14		
GREETERS:	8:00	Gary & Margie Urban
	10:45	Marty & Sherry Wittmus
ACOLYTES:	8:00	Madelynn Eaker
	10:45	Lauren Kemper
NURSERY:		Sammie Savala
USHERS:	8:00	Steve Junkel* Rodney Bloese Bill Clark John Harnagel Butch Schleicher Robert Vangilder Gary Gorline
	10:45	Bill Miller* Bob Cason Dan Kroehnke Dave Larussa Dale Ledford Paul Goris Tim Goessling Fred Budd
	7:00	Dan & Jake Newsham
ELDER ON DUTY:		Richard Matt
TRUSTEE:		Brian Hubbell
COUNTERS:		Bob & Jacquie Vangilder Stephanie Vangilder Mary Ann Ronan Jack Muckey

ALTAR GUILD

For December: Mary Jane Obernuefemann,
Renee Lubbering, Kim Harnagel
Mondays: Ruth Conant & Hannah Wilhelm

Service Coordinator: Ruby Kramer

COFFEE HOSTS

BULLETIN Bob Renken, Ruby Kramer,
FOLDERS: Betty Choate, Jim Burrows,
Joyce Gaugh, Dotty Willis,
Bev Cossey, Edith Duke