

**What's Happening at  
Chapel of the Cross**  
Sunday, December 14, 2014

<p>Church Office: 907 Jungermann Rd, St Peters, MO 63376</p> <p>Ph: 636-928-5885 Fax: 636-926-3421</p> <p>Email: office@ chapelofthecrosslutheran.org Web: chapelofthecrosslutheran.org</p> <p>Our Staff is here to assist you.</p> <p>Rev. Dr. Mark Hoehner Hm: 636-922-2774</p> <p>Rev. James Uglum Cell: 636-577-7539</p> <p>Andrew Nelson, DCE Youth &amp; Family Life Director Cell: 636-577-9888</p> <p>Emilie Phillips, Music Cell: 636-634-0577</p> <p>Bev Piehl, Office Manager Office: 636-928-5885 Hm: 636-244-2692</p>	<p><b>TODAY AT CHAPEL:</b></p> <p><b>Sunday School Christmas Program Tonight at 6:30 PM</b></p> <p><b>Everyone is Invited!</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>VISITING WITH US TODAY?</b></p> <p>Please sign our guest book in the Narthex (Lobby) and the Fellowship Book that is in the pew.</p> <p><b>Coffee</b> is served from 9:00—9:30am in the Coffee Shoppe</p> <p><b>Family Room</b> is available for you, located just off the Coffee Shoppe if you feel your children are restless during the service, you can go here to see &amp; listen to the service in comfort.</p> <p><b>"Doodle Bags"</b> are hanging on the wood post in the narthex and are for your child's enjoyment during the church service. Parents: Please see that the bags get returned to the basket in the narthex at the end of the worship service. Thank you!</p>
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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 December 7, 2014	This week	Yr to Date	'13 YTD
Budgeted Income Required:	\$ 13,848.70	\$ 678,586.30	—
<b>Actual Budget Funds:</b>	\$ 17,514.98	\$ 697,380.75	\$ 689,494.88
Electronic Giving (included in line above)	\$ 5,220.00	\$ 170,686.50	
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Abundant Giving:	\$ 3,330.50	\$ 25,834.50	
CRC India: Began 6/1/13	247.00	5,848.05	
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<b>Attendance: Week 49</b>	<b>'14 Actual</b> 485	<b>'14 Wkly Ave</b> 484	<b>'13 Actual</b> 485
			<b>'13 Wkly Ave</b> 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:

**“Christian Basics”** led by Rev. Mark Hoehner in Rm B.

**“The People of the Nativity” December 14 & 21;**  
**“FAQs” December 28** led by Rev. James Uglum in Rm A.

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

**Chapel Youth** in the Sunday School Classrooms

**“The Advent Conspiracy”** for Chapel High School Youth led by DCE Andrew Nelson in Daniel’s Den.

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: “The Book of Psalms” with Pastor Bob Hoehner. This class will begin again January 7.

**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. This class will resume in January,

**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	15:	PROVERBS	10-11	DEC	18:	PROVERBS	16-17
DEC	16:	PROVERBS	12-13	DEC	19:	PROVERBS	18-19
DEC	17:	PROVERBS	14-15	DEC	20:	PROVERBS	20-21

**SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS**

**TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL** children rehearse for the Sunday School Christmas Program in the Sanctuary.

**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.

**"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 id \$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!

## OTHER CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 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:

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.

### 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.

### **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.

### **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.

### **LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Do you enjoy reading the Lutheran Witness? The Lutheran Witness contains enlightening articles, letters to the editor, official notices of the LCMS and more. Now is the time to subscribe or renew your subscription.

**The annual cost for 11 issues is \$9.75.** If you ordered this on your own, the cost would be \$23. Here is your chance to save \$13.25 by ordering through us. We need your payment by **Monday, January 12, 2015.** You can use the Lutheran Witness envelope that you receive in the mail with your regular offering envelopes or a blank envelope, just mark "Lutheran Witness" on it please. **Please make your check payable to: "Chapel of the Cross."**

### **SIXTEEN JOIN THE TEN SUNDAYS CLUB**

The Youth and Family Life Council CONGRATULATES the following 16 students who are now members of the TEN SUNDAYS CLUB: Aaron Biggers, Jordan Brake, Tyler Brake, Logan Collins, Lucas Collins, Megan Eaker, Casey Goltz, Eliot Hummer, Samuel Hummer, Kayla Kroehnke, Amber Lawrence, Seth McKee, Reagan Moellering, Daniel Rensing, Natalie Rensing, and Reagan Rodriguez. We also thank 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](mailto: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)

#### **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.

#### **CULVER'S NIGHT FOR LHS**

Start off 2015 by taking the family to Culver's Night on Monday, January 5, 2015. the 2015 LHS Grad Night will be at Culver's on Muegge Road from 5 to 10 PM. Give yourself a break and help the 2015 Seniors of LHS. Hope to see you there!

#### **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 celebrate our 90th Birthday with a special Chapel Service on Monday, December 15th preached by President Matthew Harrison and followed by an Open House event. The chapel will be broadcast at 10 AM central time. You are welcome to come and enjoy some Anniversary cake after chapel, visit our studios and see our KFUE exhibit. Find us at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and at 1333 S. Kirkwood Road, St. Louis, MO.



### **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.



## HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### **Sunday School Christmas Program**

Sunday, December 14, 6:30 PM

### **Advent Services**

Wednesday, December 17

11:00 AM      Worship Service

7:00 PM      Worship Service

(begins with hymn Sing at 6:45 PM)

Preceded by Soup Supper at 6 PM

### **Lessons and Carols**

Sunday, December 21, 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM

Monday, December 22, 7:00 PM

### **Christmas Eve, Wednesday, December 24**

3:00 PM      Communion Service

7:00 PM      Candlelight Worship Service

11:00 PM     Candlelight Communion Service

### **Christmas Day, Thursday, December 25**

9:30 AM      Worship Service

### **Sunday Worship, December 28**

8:00 AM      Worship Service

10:45 AM     Worship Service

### **New Year's Eve, Wednesday, December 31**

3:00 PM      Communion Service

Sun.	12/14/2014	8:00 AM	Worship Service
		9:00 AM	Andrew Pelley Library Open
		9:00 AM	To 9:30 & 11:45 to 12 B;lood Pressure Checks
		9:00 AM	To 10:30 & 11:45 to 12:25 Chapel Scrip
		9:30 AM	Sunday School & Bible Classes meet
		10:45 AM	Worship Service
		6:30 PM	Sunday School Christmas Program
		6:30 PM	AI-A in Rm 13
Mon.	12/15/2014	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
		7:00 PM	Financial Control Board Mtg in Conf Room
		7:00 PM	Worship Service
Tues.	12/16/2014	12:00 PM	Chapel Circle Mtg in Gym & Rm A
		6:00 PM	Refit Fitness in Gym
		7:00 PM	GriefShare in Rm B
		7:00 PM	Chapel Bells in Choir Loft
Wed.	12/17/2014	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
		7:00 PM	Trustees Mtg in Conf Room
		7:30 PM	Adult Choir Practice in Choir Loft
		7:30 PM	Select team Volleyball Practice in Gym
Thur.	12/18/2014	10:00 AM	To 4:00 PM Home School in Lower Level
		10:30 AM	AI-A in Room B
		11:30 AM	Young at Heart in Gym
		6:00 PM	Refit Fitness in Gym
		7:15 PM	Community Core in Room 13
Fri.	12/19/2014	6:00 PM	Boy Scout Lock-in in Gym
Sat.	12/20/2014	6:00 AM	Boy Scout Lock-in in Gym ends
		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
		11:00 AM	Lessons & Carols Rehearsal in Sanctuary
Sun.	12/21/2014	8:00 AM	Worship Service Lessons & Carols
		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 Lessons & Carols
		6:00 PM	AI-A in Rm 13

**CHAPEL'S  
EVENTS  
FOR  
DECEMBER 14  
through  
DECEMBER 21**

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Week Beginning Sunday, December 14		
<b>GREETERS:</b>	8:00	Gary & Margie Urban
	10:45	Marty & Sherry Wittmus
<b>ACOLYTES:</b>	8:00	Madelynn Eaker
	10:45	Lauren Kemper
<b>NURSERY:</b>		Sammie Savala
<b>USHERS:</b>	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
<b>ELDER ON DUTY:</b>		Richard Matt
<b>TRUSTEE:</b>		Brian Hubbell
<b>COUNTERS:</b>		Bob & Jacquie Vangilder
		Stephanie Vangilder
		Mary Ann Ronan
		Jack Muckey

Week Beginning Sunday, December 21		
<b>GREETERS:</b>	8:00	Gus & Pearl Vogelsang
	10:45	Marty & Kim Macke
<b>ACOLYTES:</b>	8:00	Tyler Brake
		Alex Lubbering
	10:45	Amanzhol Kashenov
		Russell Nelson
<b>NURSERY:</b>		Katie Krull
<b>USHERS:</b>	8:00	Robert Klos*
		Diane Klos
		Chris Brooks
		Kyle Goltz
		Jack Muckey
	10:45	Brandon Kemper*
		Ryan Kemper
		Dianna Carroll
		Emily Carroll
		Rosalyn Cunningham
		Jim Harris
	7:00	Mike & Ruth Conant
<b>ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION:</b>		
	8:00	Robert Vangilder
		Duane Theilen
		Bill Miller
		Doug Seifert
	10:45	Michael Moellering
		Dan Heidelmeyer
		Dave Reidemann
		Justin Yockey
	7:00	Art Goltz
		Bill Miller
<b>ELDER ON DUTY:</b>		Robert Vangilder
<b>TRUSTEE:</b>		Rod Landers
<b>COUNTERS:</b>		Paul & Rosa Ludy
		Ruby Kramer
		Bob Renken
		Mathilda Reinhardt

### ALTAR GUILD

For December: Mary Jane Oberneufemann,  
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