

**What's Happening at
Chapel of the Cross**
Sunday, December 21, 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 Heidelberg	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 Heidelberg 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	\$ 692,435.00	—
Actual Budget Funds:	\$ 13,268.84	\$ 710,649.59	\$ 707,308.74
Electronic Giving (included in line above)	\$ 2,795.00	\$ 173,481.50	
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Abundant Giving:	\$ 3,132.50	\$ 28,967.00	
CRC India: Began 6/1/13	79.81	5,927.86	
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Attendance: Week 49	'14 Actual	'14 Wkly Ave	'13 Actual
	472	484	493
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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.

“The Bible 101” in January

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 636-94633681.

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	22:	PROVERBS	22-23	DEC	25:	PROVERBS	28-29
DEC	23:	PROVERBS	24-25	DEC	26:	PROVERBS	30-31
DEC	24:	PROVERBS	26-27	DEC	27:	ECCLESIASTES	1-2

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL our children learn about the joy of the first Christmas and celebrate Jesus' birth in different unique ways in their Sunday School classrooms. Next week (December 28), children and adults of all ages will meet in the Sanctuary at 9:25 AM for a Christmas Carol sing-a-long before our children go downstairs for special Christmas activities.

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.

MIDDLE SCHOOL GAME NIGHT: DECEMBER 30

6th—8th Grade Youth and friends are invited for fun and games at church on **Tuesday, December 30** from 6-9 PM. The event will feature active and non-active group games, open gym time and pizza! The event is FREE, but youth are asked to sign up by Sunday, December 28 with DCE Andrew Nelson.

“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.

OTHER CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

PAUL MAIER BOOK DISCUSSION

The Constantine Codex book discussion has been cancelled for today.

BIBLE STUDIES FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28

Next weekend, there will be an adjusted schedule for adult and youth Bible studies. Children, youth and adults will meet in the Sanctuary at 9:25 AM for a Christmas Carol sing-a-long.

ASK YOUR PASTOR for Adults and High School Youth will meet in the Sanctuary and begin following the sing-a-long.

SUNDAY SCHOOL for children PK-8th Grade will be downstairs following the sing-a-long, and include a Christmas themed game, activities, and learning!

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.”**

CHAPEL YOUTH TRIVIA NIGHT: JANUARY 24

Chapel Youth is hosting their annual Trivia Night fundraiser on **Saturday, January 24**. The event begins at 7:00 PM, with door opening at 6:30 PM. Admission is \$15 per person, and includes free pretzels, popcorn, and soda. Tables are encouraged to bring their own snacks. Please help support our youth and their summer mission trip to Michigan in July.

FIVE MORE TENS

The Youth and Family Life Council announces that five more students have been in Sunday School TEN times. We send our CONGRATULATIONS to Adam Durrell, Brenden Hummer, Logan Jackson, Lane McKee, and Shane Sare, and our thanks to their parents for bringing them to Sunday School.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT THANK YOU

The Advent by Candlelight committee would like to extend our sincerest thanks to the following: to our **Table Hostesses**, who are gracious and extremely creative, to the **Black Tie Hosts**, who made the evening so special with their attentive service and willingness to help “pack-up” the event, to **Peggy Clemens and Pia Brooks** and all the **Trustees**, who made sure that the building was ready for us on the inside and out, to **Jerry Mortenson and Brad Biggers**, for covering the audio aspects of the program, to **Emilie Phillips, Stephanie Vangilder and Shelli Junkel**, who all shared their gift of music with us, to **Phyllis Carter** and the **Bell Choir**, who spent time preparing for the evening, you all are truly “royal” in our eyes even without the crowns, to **Andrew Nelson**, who lead us in prayer, to **Dennis Knouse, Tim Meyer, Bill Hankins and Bob Vangilder**, for being our patient “stage hands”, and to **Bev Piehl**, for allowing us to interrupt her busy schedule with all of our small details and tasks.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT MISSION OFFERING

Thank you to all who participated in the mission offering for Our Lady’s Inn at this year’s Advent by Candlelight. We collected \$1,121.00 which will be used to purchase car seats for the residents of this maternity home. Your generosity will truly be well received by those who call Our Lady’s Inn home.

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)

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!

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

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
9:30 AM Christmas Carol Sing-a-long and
Activities for Children and Adults
10:45 AM Worship Service

New Year's Eve, Wednesday, December 31

3:00 PM Communion Service

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR SPECIAL DAYS IN DECEMBER

December 24 3:00 PM Communion Service

GREETERS: Jodie Schneider
Judy Wiegand

ACOLYTES: Madelynn Eaker
Adam Prince

USHERS: Robert Klos' & Brandon Kemper's Teams

COMMUNION ELDERS:
Michael Moellering, Bob Vangilder, Wyatt Gross, David Reidemann

December 24 7:00 PM Service

GREETERS: Bob & Joyce Gaugh

ACOLYTES: Emily Albers

USHERS: Mike Conant's & Ruby Kramer's Teams

December 24 11:00 PM Communion Service

GREETERS: Chuck & Judy Weigand

ACOLYTES: Olivia Brooks
Emily Hibbeler

USHERS: Richard Matt's & Bill Hiner's Teams

COMMUNION ELDERS:
Roger Kutschkau, Doug Seifert, Justin Yockey, Richard Matt

December 25 9:30 AM Service

GREETERS: Ruby Kramer
Dorothy Pauley

USHERS: Brandon Kemper's Team

December 31 3:00 PM Service

USHERS: Ruby Kramer's Team

Sun.	12/21/2014	8:00 AM	Communion Worship Service Lessons & Carols
		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 Lessons & Carols
		6:30 PM	AI-A in Rm 13
Mon.	12/22/2014	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	Communion Worship Service Lessons & Carols
Tues.	12/23/2014	9:30 AM	Ladies Tuesday Morning Bible Study in Rm 13
		6:00 PM	Refit Fitness in Gym
		7:00 PM	Boy Scout Mtg in Rm 13
		7:00 PM	Chapel Bells in Choir Loft
Wed.	12/24/2014	6:30 AM	Wed Early Morning Bible Study at Bob Evans
		8:30 AM	TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) in Rm A
		3:00 PM	Family Service with Communion
		7:00 PM	Candlelight Worship Service
		11:00 PM	Candlelight Communion Service
Thur.	12/25/2014	9:30 AM	Worship Service
Fri.	12/26/2014		
Sat.	12/27/2014	7:30 AM	Men's Ministry Bible Study in Rm 13
		9:00 AM	RefitFitness in Gym
		9:45 AM	AA in Rm A
		10:00 AM	OASIS Volunteer
Sun.	12/28/2014	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

**CHAPEL'S
EVENTS
FOR
DECEMBER 21
through
DECEMBER 28**

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Week Beginning Sunday, December 21		
GREETERS:	8:00	Gus & Pearl Vogelsang
	10:45	Marty & Kim Macke
ACOLYTES:	8:00	Tyler Brake
		Alex Lubbering
	10:45	Amanzhol Kashenov
		Russell Nelson
NURSERY:		Katie Krull
USHERS:	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
ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION:		
	8:00	Robert Vangilder
		Duane Theilen
		Bill Miller
		Doug Seifert
	10:45	Michael Moellering
		Dan Heidemeyer
		Dave Reidemann
		Justin Yockey
	7:00	Art Goltz
		Bill Miller
ELDER ON DUTY:		Robert Vangilder
TRUSTEE:		Rod Landers
COUNTERS:		Paul & Rosa Ludy
		Ruby Kramer
		Bob Renken
		Mathilda Reinhardt

Week Beginning Sunday, December 28		
GREETERS:	8:00	Chuck & Judy Weigand
	10:45	Gladys Smart
		Sherry Carter
ACOLYTES:	8:00	Cara Lawrence
	10:45	Grace Goris
NURSERY:		Sammie Savala
USHERS:	8:00	Mike Conant*
		Bob Gaugh
		Joyce Gaugh
		Bob Jones
		Don Sugar
		Kathy Wilson
	10:45	Ruby Kramer*
		Paul Ludy
		Rosa Ludy
		Phyllis Zeuschel
		Vivian Kaesser
	7:00	Paul & Beth Standiford
ELDER ON DUTY:		Wade McKee
TRUSTEE:		Tim Meyer
COUNTERS:		John Middendorf
		Leon Heitgerd
		Rachelle Lilge
		Phyllis Richoz
		Virgil Schlough

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