

**What's Happening at
Chapel of the Cross**
Sunday, December 6, 2015

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TODAY AT CHAPEL:

Join us for new Bible Classes!

VISITING WITH US TODAY?

Please sign our guest book in the Narthex (Lobby)
and the Fellowship Book that is in the pew.

Coffee is served from 9:00—9:30am in the Coffee Shoppe

Family Room 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 & listen to the service in comfort.

Nursery is open from 9:25am until the end of the late
service and is located in the Family Room

"Doodle Bags" 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 blue tub in the narthex at the end
of the worship service.

Thank you!

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
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Chapel's First Fruits of Faith

Income: Weekend of November 29, 2015	This week	Yr to Date	'14 YTD
Budgeted Income Required:	\$ 14,519.23	\$ 696,923.04	—
Actual Budget Funds:	\$ 12,051.20	\$ 678,342.13	\$ 679,865.77
Electronic Giving (included in line above)	\$ 3,085.00	\$ 173,130.00	
Abundant Giving:	\$ 202.50	\$ 21,905.50	
SoulThirst	\$ 20.00	\$ 785.00	

Attendance: Week 48

'15 Actual	'15 Wkly Ave	'14 Actual	'14 Wkly Ave
475	483	482	484

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 Letters of John**” led by Rev. Mark Hoehner and Rev. James Uglum
in Rm 224 (Room A)

“**Christianity and the Competition**” led by Rev. Robert Hoehner
in Rm 222 (Room B).

“**Year with Jesus**” led by DCE Andrew Nelson in the Youth Room

Beginning December 6: “Pew Sisters” Bible Study in Room 129 (Room D)

Chapel Youth in the Sunday School Classrooms

For Chapel High Youth led by DCE Andrew Nelson in Daniel’s Den

For 8th Grade Youth led by Liz Reidemann and Clarice Sage in Rm 112

Confirmation Class for 6th-7th grade youth led by Pastor Jim Prince in Rm 105

Sunday School (Age 3 through 5th Grade) begins with opening in the
Sanctuary at 9:25 am

Our Weekday Bible Studies

Tue: Ladies Tuesday Morning Bible Study Every Tuesday Morning
9:30-11:00AM in Rm 224. Will resume in January.

OR

Wed: Ladies Wednesday Evening Bible Study Every Wednesday
Evening 6:30-8:00PM in Rm 224. Will resume in January.

Wed: Evening Adult Bible Study meets in Rm 224 at 6:30 PM:
Will resume on January 6 with “A Man Named Martin”.

Wed: Early Morning Bible Study with Bob VanGilder at 6:30am at
Bob Evans on Zumbahl Road.
For more information, call Bob VanGilder 314-650-2053.

Wed: Chapel High School Youth Group Bible Study meet
downstairs from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM for Open Gym, Games, Bible Study
and Prayer. 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 Schleichner 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	7:	1 PETER	1	DEC	10:	1 PETER	5
DEC	8:	1 PETER	2	DEC	11:	2 PETER	1-2
DEC	9:	1 PETER	3-4	DEC	12:	2 PETER	3

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS:

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL, CONFIRMATION, AND YOUTH BIBLE CLASS!

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL: The children will meet to practice music for the Christmas Program and then gather in their classes for the remainder of the hour.

CONFIRMATION & YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

Sixth and seventh graders meet with Pastor Prince for "God's Action Plan" as they study and discuss the Old and New Testament. Eighth grade youth meet with Mrs. Liz Riedemann & Mrs. Clarice Sage as they study how God's Word applies to our lives today through various units and lessons.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH BIBLE CLASS returns to our "Year with Jesus" Bible study series this morning as we examine teachings from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount from Matthew 5. DCE Andrew Nelson will lead this class in Daniel's Den.

CHAPEL YOUTH HAPPENINGS:

CHAPEL HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP MEETS TONIGHT

Sunday night Youth Group IS **tonight, December 6** from 6:30-8:00PM. Bring a friend and come for hang time, devotions, and games.

NO R.E.A.P. UNTIL JANUARY

High School R.E.A.P. Bible study will take a break until 2016 due to worship services and soup suppers in the holiday season. This week, join us for soup suppers and worship beginning at 6:00PM. Chapel Youth host the Soup Supper on **December 16!**

YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY—DECEMBER 20

Chapel Youth (6th-12th Grade) will celebrate the Christmas season together on **Sunday, December 20** from 3:00-5:00PM. Join us for some Christmas fun! More details coming soon.

OTHER CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL MITTEN & GIVING TREES

Dear Chapel Family, we want to share with you that from **Sunday, November 22 through Sunday, December 13**, 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.

BEYOND THE GIVING TREE: Anyone who would like to Adopt a Family for Christmas, please see one of the Pastors!

THANK YOU!!!!

YOUNG AT HEART ACTIVITIES

If you are 55 or better, please come join us in Christian fellowship.

- On **Wednesday, December 9**, we are having a pot luck at noon in the gym. It will be a fun end of year get-together as George Nelson, our Music Director, will be leading us in singing Christmas Carols. We ask everyone to bring a side dish or dessert—meat, bread and drinks will be provided. If you are interested or have questions, please call Paul Ludy at 636-278-3881 as we need to know how much meat to purchase.
- **Friday, December 11**: Dean Christopher Band 7:00 pm at St. Peters Cultural Arts Center, \$14 each.
- **Sunday, December 20**: St. Charles Symphony Orchestra at 6:00PM at St. Charles First Baptist Church. Tickets are \$10.00.

If you have never joined us before, please come. It is a great way to meet other Young at Hearts (YAHs) and also celebrate Christmas.

ADVENT SOUP SUPPER HOSTING SCHEDULE:

December 9—Board of Elders

December 16—Youth and Confirmation Class

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JESUS!!! MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Chapel's Family Ministry hosts our annual Birthday Party for Jesus event on **Saturday, December 12** from 11:00AM to 1:00PM. Families with elementary age (and younger) children are welcome to attend. Join us for a hot dog lunch, carnival games, prizes, and birthday cake! Parents, please attend this event with your children, thank you!

SERVICE FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

The next service will be held **Sunday, December 13**. Chapel will have the next worship service geared for families with special needs children. This service will begin at 11:00 AM in Room 224 of the new education wing. It will have all the 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.

2015 SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM—SUNDAY DECEMBER 13

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 21st year. This year's Christmas Program is called, *Christmas, Play by Play*. 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 13** at 6:30 PM. This presentation is not just for the children, their parents and family, but for the entire Chapel of the Cross congregation. Please plan on joining us.

IMPORTANT DATES AND PRACTICES:

Sundays	Dec. 6-13	Practice songs during Sunday School opening
Saturday	Dec. 5	9:00-11:00 am Full Program Practice
Saturday	Dec. 12	9:00-11:00 am Blocking Rehearsal
Sunday	Dec. 13	9:25-10:30 am Full Dress Rehearsal
Sunday	Dec. 13	6:15 pm Children arrive 6:30 pm Show Time
Sunday	Dec. 20	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. If your child has musical talents, they may be able to play music before the Christmas program begins. Please see your child's Sunday School teacher for more details.

CHAPEL CIRCLE NEWS

The Chapel Circle will meet **Tuesday, December 15th** at noon. Lunch will be provided by the Board and dessert by hostesses Jo Scheer and Judy Wiegand. Entertainment will be lead by George Nelson, Chapel music director. Please bring a wrapped \$5 gift for the gift exchange. All ladies of the congregation are welcome to attend!!

REMINDERS—We will package cookies for the Cookie Sale on **Friday, December 11** and the Sale will be on **Sunday, December 13**.

DEADLINE FOR 2015 BUDGETED ITEMS

Please have your Payment Authorization forms to Dianna no later than **Monday, December 21st** for processing under the 2015 budget.

NEW TEN SUNDAYS CLUB MEMBERS

The Youth and Family Life Council announce the following students have attended Sunday School TEN times this school year: Josiah Borchert, Matthew Borchert, Lucas Collins, Pete Duffy, Adam Durrell, Cora Harms, Kayla Kroehnke, Sandi Matson, Camden Rodriguez, Wyatt Schmidt, Brynna Walgate, and Emmet Walgate. We wish them CONGRATULATIONS and thank their parents for bringing them to Sunday School.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who took the time to pack a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child. This year we collected 309 shoeboxes. That means 309 children will receive a gift that wouldn't have otherwise and more important, they will hear about Jesus Christ and what He has done for them! The committee is amazed by your generosity, especially given that we surpassed last year's collection by 107 boxes.!

THANK YOU

The Silent Auction Committee would like to extend a heartfelt "Thank You" to all the members of Chapel of the Cross for helping make our auction such a success this year. Because of your generosity, we were able to raise over \$3,200. This money will be donated to Sparrow's Nest Maternity Home to provide a CHRIST centered shelter and to educate homeless, pregnant and parenting young women by providing a wide range of services that empower them to make positive and healthy life decisions for themselves and their babies. God bless each and every one of you. The Silent Auction Committee

THANK YOU!

Where to start? Thanking everyone who came to the visitation, the funeral, and the luncheon and all the people in the kitchen who were so busy with all the food, it was delicious. We want you to know how deeply thankful we are for all of you. It meant so much to our family. Also, the people who gave gifts to the church and sent so many cards. We are overwhelmed with your genuine care and prayers. May God bless you all.

Doris & Tim Cooper and Family

RUMMAGE SALE UPDATE

Chapel of the Cross will **not** be holding our annual Rummage Sale in 2016. Please use your items to bless OASIS Food Pantry Thrift Shop, St. Vincent DePaul, Goodwill, Salvation Army or the charity of your choice.

CHAPEL SCRIP GIFT CARD SALES EXPANDED HOURS FOR CHRISTMAS

To serve you better during this busy time of year, our Chapel Scrip counter will be open on Sundays, from 9am-10:35am and again from 11:50am-12:15pm. You are going to shop anyway, why not help out people in need by picking up gift cards for your purchases? Any questions, stop by the scrip counter and see our friendly volunteers who will be happy to assist you.

CHAPEL SCRIP NOW HAS MCDONALD'S GIFT CARDS!

Stop by the scrip counter in the Coffee Shoppe to purchase \$5 and \$10 gift cards for McDonald's. Chapel receives 5% back from your purchases. Thank you for your continued support of Chapel Scrip and our Benevolent Fund.

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.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

GRAD NIGHT FUNDRAISER AT CULVER'S

The 2016 Grad Night committee is having a fundraiser at Culver's on **Tuesday, December 22**. Please plan on dining at Culver's (2750 Muegge Rd, St. Charles) between 4:30 and 9:00 pm and let a LHS Senior wait on you. Instead of cooking, enjoy a night out with family and friends while supporting LHS students.

LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Lutheran High School invites children and their parents to “St. Nick Nite” on **Friday, December 11** from 5:30-7:30pm. In addition to enjoying boys’ and girls’ Cougar basketball games, you will have the opportunity to have your picture taken with “Jolly Old St. Nick”! Unwrapped toys or monetary donations will be collected to benefit the Ablaze! Lutheran Sidewalk Sunday School Ministries.

The Sapphire Affair Auction Committee of LHS has partnered with parents and friends to offer you the chance to shop for your favorite products until **December 15**. Whether you haven’t been to a party lately and are looking for a particular item, or if you want to browse and find something new and different, these companies (including Pampered Chef, Tastefully Simple, Nerium, Trades of Hope, and more!) offer a great selection. A portion of all purchases benefit the auction. For more information, visit lutheranhighstcharles.com/support.

Tennis Coaching Opening: Lutheran High School is currently accepting applications for the position of JV Tennis Coach for the Spring 2016 season. Please submit a letter of interest, resume, and two letters of recommendation specifically noting leadership strengths and teaching/coaching experience to Doug Kuhlmann, Activities Director at dkuhlmann@lhssc.org or 314.497.3014.

Advent Services

Wednesdays, Dec 2, 9, 16
11:00am & 7:00am Worship Service
(6:00pm Soup Supper)
(6:45pm Hymn Sing)

Christmas Eve

Thursday, December 24
3:00pm Communion Service,
Music led by Erin Bode
7:00pm Candlelight Service
11:00pm Candlelight with Communion

Christmas Day

Friday, December 25
9:30am Worship Service

New Year’s Eve

Thursday, December 31
3:00pm Communion Service



Sun.	12/06/2015	8:00 AM	Communion Worship Service
		9:00 AM	Andrew Pelley Library Open
		9:30 AM	Sunday School & Bible Classes
		9:30 AM	To 10:30 Chapel Scrip
		10:45 AM	Communion Worship Service
		5:00 PM	Private Event in Rm 224
		6:30 PM	AI-A in Rm 114
Mon.	12/07/2015	1:00 PM	Needles & Hooks in Rm 225
		5:30 PM	Select Team Volleyball Practice in Gym
		6:00 PM	AA in Rm 113
		7:00 PM	Communion Worship Service
Tues.	12/08/2015	9:30 AM	Quilt Tacking in Lower Level Lobby
		1:00 PM	Friendly Visitor Cookies in Kitchen
		6:00 PM	Refit Fitness in Gym
		6:30 PM	Chapel Bells in Choir Loft
		6:30 PM	Christian Care & Connect Mtg in Rm 225
		7:00 PM	Boy Scout Mtg in Rm 114
Wed.	12/09/2015	6:30 AM	Wed Early Morning Bible Study
		8:30 AM	TOPS Mtg in Rm 224
		11:00 AM	Worship Service
		6:00 PM	Soup Supper
		7:00 PM	Advent Worship Service
		7:30 PM	Select Team Volleyball Practice in Gym
Thur.	12/10/2015	9:00 AM	Home School Class in Lower Level
		10:30 AM	AI-A in Rm 222
		1:00 PM	Comfort Group in Rm 224
		6:00 PM	Refit Fitness in Gym
		6:30 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal in Choir Loft
Fri.	12/11/2015	11:00 AM	Chapel Circle in Kitchen
		1:00 PM	Cookie Sale Setup in Coffee Shoppe
		6:00 PM	Boy Scout Lock-in Gym
Sat.	12/12/2015	7:00 AM	Boy Scout Lock-in (finished)
		7:30 AM	Men's Ministry Bible Study in Rm 114
		9:00 AM	Children's Christmas Program Rehearsal
		9:45 AM	AA in Rm 224 & Rm 129
		11:00 AM	Birthday Party for Jesus in Gym
Sun.	12/13/2015	8:00 AM	Worship Service
		9:00 AM	Andrew Pelley Library Open
		9:00 AM	To 9:15 AM & 11:45 to 12 Blood Pressure Checks
		9:30 AM	To 10:30 Chapel Scrip
		9:30 AM	Sunday School & Bible Classes
		10:45 AM	Worship Service
		6:30 PM	Sunday School Christmas Program—All Invited
		6:30 PM	AI-A in Rm 114

**CHAPEL'S
EVENTS
FOR
DECEMBER
6
through
DECEMBER
13**

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Week Beginning Sunday, December 6	Week Beginning Sunday, December 13
GREETERS: 8:00 Gary & Margie Urban 10:45 Bill & Doris Braudis	GREETERS: 8:00 Gus & Pearl Vogelsang 10:45 Jon & Harriet Allman
ACOLYTES: 8:00 Lauren Kemper Cody Matson 10:45 Shelby Dannegger Jack Dannegger	ACOLYTES: 8:00 Tyler Brake 10:45 Logan Podhorsky
NURSERY: Katie Krull	NURSERY: Lydia Harms
USHERS: 8:00 Bill Hankins* Beverly Hankins Kathy Collins Rich Minasian Janet Minasian Gary Oberneufemann Brent Pitzer 10:45 Kim Woodworth* Doug Broste Randy Goltz Casey Goltz Roger Kutschkau Tim Meyer Al Schuettpelz 7:00 Bob & Cissy Wadlow	USHERS: 8:00 Steve Junkel* Rodney Bloese Bill Clark Gary Gorline John Harnagel Butch Schleicher Bob Vangilder 10:45 Bill Miller* Fred Budd Bob Cason Tom Goessling Dan Kroehnke Dave LaRussa Dale Ledford Jimi Matson 7:00 Dan Newsham Larry Diehl
ELDERS ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION: 8:00 Chis Becker Duane Theilen Doug Seifert Dan Kroehnke 10:45 Wade McKee Michael Moellering Mark Borchert Roger Kutschkau 7:00 David Reidemann Justin Yockey	ELDER ON DUTY: Dan Kroehnke TRUSTEE: Harry Nelson COUNTERS: Bob & Jacquie Vangilder Edith Duke Mary Ann Ronan Jack Muckey Sandy Schleicher
ELDER ON DUTY: Wyatt Gross TRUSTEE: Tim Meyer COUNTERS: Duane & Debbie Theilen Rich & Janet Minasian John & Joy Lomax	

ALTAR GUILD: For December: Harriet Allmon,
 Pat Middendorf, Mathilda Reinhardt
Mondays: Ruth Conant, Bob & Cissy Wadlow
Wednesdays: Pat Middendorf

BULLETIN FOLDERS: Bob Renken, Ruby Kramer,
 Jim Burrows, Joyce Gaugh,
 Chris Brooks, Edith Duke,
 Bill Miller