



A Time for Rest, Renewal, and Prayer: A Pastoral Note About an Upcoming Sabbatical

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I want to share with you about an upcoming season in the life of our congregation and in my own ministry. Starting on May 5th and continuing through July 4th, I will be taking a sabbatical for a period of rest, renewal, and study. I'm grateful to our church leadership for encouraging this time, and I wanted to explain a bit about what a sabbatical is and why the Church has long seen it as a gift.

The idea of sabbatical rest comes directly from the rhythms God has given His people in Scripture. From the very beginning, after six days of creation, God rested on the seventh day (Genesis 2:2-3). That rhythm of work and rest was not given because God was tired, but to show His people that life ultimately depends on Him and not on our constant striving.

Later, in the Old Testament, God extended that same rhythm to the land itself. In Leviticus 25, the people were instructed to farm the land for six years and then allow it to rest in the seventh year. This "sabbath year" reminded them that the Lord was the one who

sustained them while also giving the land itself a chance to rest and be renewed. The sabbath year was a reminder that their security did not come from endless labor, but from trusting God's provision.

A pastoral sabbatical follows that same biblical wisdom. It is not simply time off or a long vacation. Rather, it is a period intentionally set aside for rest, prayer, study, and spiritual renewal so that a pastor may return refreshed and strengthened for the work of ministry. In 2024, Chapel's leadership provided a plan to offer a Sabbatical to her pastors every seven years.

Throughout the Scriptures we see that even those whom God called to serve needed seasons of renewal. The prophet Elijah was given time to rest when he was exhausted (1 Kings 19). Jesus Himself regularly withdrew to quiet places to pray (Luke 5:16). These moments of stepping away were not signs of weakness, but part of how God sustained His servants.

During my sabbatical, I hope to spend extended time in prayer,

reading, and study, as well as time with my family. My prayer is that this season will deepen my own faith and ultimately strengthen the ministry we share together as a congregation.

I also want you to know that the life and mission of the church will continue as it always does while I'm away. Worship, teaching, and pastoral care will be faithfully carried out with the help of our church staff, leaders, and guest pastors. The church has never depended on one person, because Christ Himself is the head of the Church (Colossians 1:18). He is the one who guides and sustains us.

I am deeply thankful for the opportunity to serve you as your pastor, and I'm grateful for your encouragement in this season. I ask for your prayers while I'm away, just as I will be praying for you. I look forward to continuing the joyful work of proclaiming Christ and serving alongside you for many years to come.

In Christ,
Pastor James Uglum

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Worship Times

Sundays @ 8:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.

Sunday School & Adult Bible Class @9:15 a.m.

Mondays @ 7:00 p.m.

Wednesdays @ 11:00 a.m.



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As the family at Chapel of the Cross,
our mission is to
SHARE the Gospel,
SEEK the Lost,
STUDY God's Word and
STRENGTHEN one another.



Adult Bible Studies

Sunday Morning Bible Classes 9:15–10:00 a.m.

Adult Bible Studies Ending April 5th.

Adult Bible Study The Chosen, Season 5

Starting in Lent on March 29th one of our adult Bible studies will be discussing the events of Jesus ministry through The Chosen. This Bible study will meet in room 224 and be led by Pastor James.

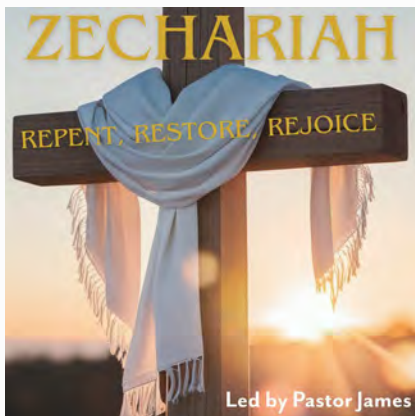


Journey Through Lent: Exploring the Appointed Scriptures

Join Pastor Mark in the Sanctuary for a meaningful Lenten Bible study exploring the Scripture readings appointed for each week of the season. Discover why the Church has returned to these passages year after year—and how they shape our journey toward the cross. Come, listen, and grow together in God’s Word.



New Bible Studies beginning April 12th.



Zechariah: Repent, Restore, Rejoice

Join Pastor James in Room 224 for a study on Zechariah.

Zechariah is one of the most vivid and complex books in the Old Testament—it’s a blend of historical rebuilding and wild, apocalyptic visions. No book of prophecy has more to say about the Messiah, or points more clearly to Jesus. Join us on the Sundays after Easter as we hear again God’s call to Israel and His call to us!

Discerning God’s Will in Difficult Times

Join Pastor Mark in the sanctuary for an encouraging Bible study on *Discerning God’s Will When Bad Things Happen*. Together, we will explore passages throughout Scripture that reveal how God works through suffering for His purposes—and for the ultimate good of those who are in Jesus.



No matter our circumstances, we can learn to live out godly principles that continually point us to the goodness and grace of God revealed in Christ Jesus

All are welcome—come grow in faith and understanding with us!



Tuesday Bible Study for men and women Matthew: The Kingdom of God is at Hand Come and Follow Me

You may join us at any time of the year. Our studies have 3 facets: homework to be completed at home as you are able, small group discussion time and a teaching lecture. Men and women meet separately, but complete the same lesson. Both morning and evening classes follow the same schedule, so you may attend either one. Class concludes on May 5th. Watch the What's Happening for details on the next class.

CLASS TIMES:

Women: Tuesday mornings 9:30-11:00 a.m. Room 224
Wednesday mornings on Zoom 9:00-9:45 a.m.

Men: Tuesday mornings 9:30-11:00 a.m. Lower Level

Women: Tuesday evenings 7:00-8:30 p.m. Room 224



Register at: <https://forms.gle/RiwhAzLxhXogVNU38>, use the QR code above or contact Margaret Hibbeler at: St_charles_hibbelers@yahoo.com



“Strong and Courageous Women” LWML Prayer Bible Study and luncheon

Date: Thursday April 16th

Where: Chapel of the Cross

Room: 224 upper level

Light lunch at noon – no cost

Bible Study at 1pm

All ladies are welcome to join us

You don't have to be a member

Contact Sue Hoehner for more information

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Our New Website is Live!

Check it out at Chapelstpeters.org. All of the staff also have new email addresses as well so be sure to update your contacts! Those new emails can be found on page 3 of the E-News and our weekly What's Happening bulletin insert.

Big thanks are due to the team that has been working on this: Megan Niemeyer, Justin Ohmie, Bev Piehl, Stephanie Seifert, Doug Seifert, James Uglum and Rachel Weinhold. Also thanks to Brad Biggers and Austin Seifert for their contributions as we were making the switch from the old website and emails to the new ones!

OUR NEW WEBSITE IS LIVE!

www.ChapelStPeters.org



**A HUGE THANK YOU TO EVERYONE INVOLVED!
THEIR DEDICATION MEANS OUR CHURCH CAN
NOW REACH MORE PEOPLE ONLINE.**

Second Quarter
Voters Assembly
Meeting
May 17th following
late service in
Room 224.

Election of Officers,
Elders and Board Chairs.

Pizza will be served.



Our retiree group is called OWLS (Older Wiser Lutherans.) They meet the 2nd Friday of each month at 11:30 a.m. either at church or on the road. If you are 60 years old or older, please join us for fellowship and fun.

Running Group Returns – April 9

Looking for a simple way to move, connect, and enjoy time outdoors with others? COTC'S Running Group returns on April 9th. Everyone is welcome!

New Adult Changing Table



We are grateful to share that our facility now includes an **adult changing station located in the bathroom in our Family Room off the Coffee Shop.**

We meet on Thursdays at 6:30 PM at Laurel Park (by the flagpole). Whether you prefer to run, walk, or just bring the kids to play, this is a relaxed group focused on movement and community.

We go for about 30 minutes, with time afterward to talk and catch up. It's a great way to build friendships while getting exercise.



This space is designed to support individuals with disabilities and those who care for them, offering greater comfort, safety, and dignity. We give thanks for this improvement and for the congregation's continued commitment to being a place of



VIP DAY

Chapel of the Cross
Lutheran Preschool



On Friday, March 13, Chapel of the Cross Preschool had the joy of welcoming over 80 loved ones to our school. Guests enjoyed engaging activities in the gym before gathering in the sanctuary for a special performance and a meaningful chapel service. It was a wonderful time of fellowship and celebration!



O.A.S.I.S. YOUTH FOOD CHALLENGE

Outreach Assistance Serving
Individuals in St. Charles County

Thank you for your generous support in donating items for the 2026 O.A.S.I.S. Youth Food Challenge! This year, we collected over 3,100 items to give to people in need. Thank you for blessing our community with these gifts. And a special thanks to our youth and families that helped sort, count, and deliver these donations to O.A.S.I.S. each week.

Ministry Fair

Children, Youth, & Adults Welcome!

Use Your Gifts to Serve One Another
1 Peter 4:10

Sunday, 5/31 • 9:15-10:00 • Gym

We are having a "Ministry Fair" on Sunday, May 31 from 9:15-10:00 held in the Gym in place of Bible Class & Sunday School. This will be a time to see what volunteer and ministry opportunities we have at Chapel of the Cross. Show up and see how your God-given gifts fit with the ministry opportunities here at Chapel. This event is open for ALL children, youth, and adults to attend.

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another,
as good stewards of God's varied grace"
(1 Peter 4:10)

GIRLFRIEND GATHERING 2026 RECAP



Over 100 women gathered together in fellowship at this year's Girlfriend Gathering: Standing on the Rock! Our keynote speaker, Donna Snow, encouraged us in our walk with Christ as she shared stories of the unshakeable faith of David, Mary Magdalene, and Joseph.



We collected toiletry items and were able to raise over \$1,500 for our mission LERT, Lutheran Early Response Team.

Thanks to everyone who made this event possible, including the planning committee, the Black Tie Hosts, Holly Stansberry, Nancy Siefert, and Bev Piehl!



Thank you for your support of the Nigerian Refugees.

They were able to distribute food items to 25 elderly people as they prepare for Easter. They were so thankful to Pastor Mark and the members of Chapel of the Cross!



EPHPHATHA SERVICE
Chapel of the Cross E-Service

Our monthly E-Service is held in room 224 on the second Sunday of each month. This service is designed for adults and children with special needs. The service is usually followed by a small luncheon. If you know a family that would be blessed by this experience, please invite them to come and experience this amazing fellowship. If you have questions about this service, please contact one of the pastors.

Vacation Bible School 2026



Save the Dates: Monday, June 22 — Friday, June 26 | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Mark your calendars for VBS 2026: "Tropical Trek." Join us for a Tropical Trek where we will learn how Jesus came to seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10)! As we traverse fun and exciting places, like a dormant volcano and island caves, we'll discover how God finds us and helps us in every challenge we face. We welcome all Preschool — 5th Graders to join us for an island adventure this summer! Register your child(ren) according to their grade for the 2026-2027 school year.

Register or Volunteer for VBS here: vbsmate.com/chapelstpeters

For the third year in a row, we are providing an amazing opportunity for our 6th & 7th graders to participate in service projects in our community. These opportunities will take place at the same time as our normal VBS programming. Register your 6th or 7th grader for this opportunity below. Register your child(ren) according to their grade for the 2026-2027 school year.

Register for 5th & 6th Grade Service Team here: bit.ly/vbs26serviceteam





April Mtg.

Thursday, April 16th
Bring your brown bag lunch at Noon to Room 224.

We are hosting a Prayer/Bible Study.
See page 5 for details.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Saturday, April 18th
St Charles Zone Spring Rally
at Immanuel Lutheran, Wentzville
8:00am-Reg./Breakfast
9:00am-noon - Program the theme is: EMBRACED: "We love because He first loved us." 1 John 4:19

May Mtg.

Thursday, May 21
Bring your brown bag lunch at Noon to Room 114.

Our speaker is Doug & Nancy Seifert speaking about LERT (Lutheran Early Response Team).

June 12-14

**LWML MO District Convention
Cape Girardeau, MO**

Chapel Circle is looking to send two voting delegates to the District Convention this summer. Early Registration is now open through the end of April. If interested, please call or text Paulette at 989.239.6815

Save the Date!

June 8-11, 2027

**LWML (Nat'l) Biennial Convention,
Oklahoma City, OK**

May 31st

Mission Fair

DCE Josh Eckstein has asked Chapel Circle to participate in the Mission Fair on Sunday, May 31st from 9:15-10:00am. This is for all ages (children, youth and adults).

LWML Chapel Circle would showcase how we serve at Chapel of the Cross to other congregation members and possibly recruit new teammates in the process.

Missions

Eyeglasses Ministry

Collection box located in the coatroom in Narthex. Eyeglasses and sunglasses are needed

Stamp Ministry

LWML continues collecting cancelled stamps. They are collecting all kinds of stamps, even those marked Forever stamps. Please leave at least 1/2" border around the stamp. There is a bin in the coat room off of the Narthex marked STAMPS.

Wacky Tackers

Volunteers meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month in the lower level.

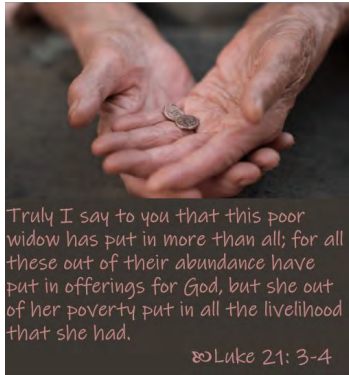


LWML Vision Statement

The LWML is the leading group for LCMS women where each woman is welcomed and encouraged to use her unique God-Given gifts as she supports global missions and serves the Lord with gladness.

The Mite Box

Based on the Biblical account of the widow’s mite (Luke 21: 1-4) the Mite Box is intended for regular contributions of “mites” - offerings above and beyond the support given to congregations and the LCMS. Mite Box contributions amount to millions of dollars that fund district and national mission grants. Mite Boxes are distributed to every women in a society and often to each member of the congregation. Throughout the decades, Lutheran women have stepped out in faith, setting goals and trusting God to move the hearts of His people to give generously to LWML to proclaim the Gospel.



February was a busy month!

Thank you from the Girlfriend Gathering Chair, Megan Niemeyer, for the cookies. They were greatly appreciated and were enough for Saturday as well! Job well done ladies!

At the Feb. Mtg, the ladies assembled and mailed 25 cards to the shut-ins. Thank you Barb Tebeau for making the lacey holders for the Psalm 23 message and the envelopes.

At the March Mtg, guest speakers were Amanda Schmidt and Christina Lloyd presented on Parkinson’s Disease, covering diagnosis, care planning, healthy living, brain health and adaptive equipment. After the presentation, Cheryl Niebling gave the devotion. We were reminded that all ladies present had one thing in common, and that is our faith we having in God. Christians living with Parkinson have a positive eternal future beyond this disease.

Also at the March Mtg, it was recommended and approved for donations of \$200 to Kari and Chau Vo Vietnamese mission and \$200 to Child of God Lutheran School to support the special education teacher.

LWML Mission Statement

As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

LWML Chapel Circle meets monthly for spiritual growth, fellowship, and to discuss mission work and special projects.

All ladies are warmly invited to join us! If you’re unable to attend every month, you’re always welcome to come whenever you can.

You do not need to be a member to attend—**all are welcome!**

Don’t forget your mites!

Closing Thought

Romans 5:3-4

“We also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance, and perseverance character, and character hope.”

God the greatest Giver
 So loved the greatest motive
 The world the greatest need
 That He gave the greatest act
 His only Son the greatest gift
 That Whosoever the greatest invitation
 Believes in Him the greatest opportunity
 Should not perish the greatest deliverance
 But have eternal life. the greatest joy



Chapel of the Cross YOUTH

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APRIL



Easter Egg Hunt Volunteering

- 4/4 | 9:00a-12:00p
- Chapel of the Cross

Middle and High School Youth are invited to volunteer at this year's Easter Egg Hunt. Help set up, run, and tear down the activities at the event. If you are interested in helping, sign up below:

- **RSVP:** bit.ly/egghunt26



MO District Youth Gathering

- 4/17-4/19
- Cross Pointe Retreat Center
- STBD

The MO District Youth Gathering will be happening from 4/17-4/19. Join us for worship, main sessions together, topical break out sessions, fun recreational activities, opportunities to build relationships centered around God's Word with others in Missouri, and more!

- **RSVP:** bit.ly/modyg26

Youth Group

4/26 6th-12th Grades
11:30-2:00

Youth Group

- 4/26 | 11:30a-2:00p
- Gym & Daniel's Den

ALL Middle & High School youth (and friends) are welcome to come to Youth Group. We'll share a meal, build relationships with some fun activities, and spend some time in God's Word. We would love to see you there!

- **RSVP:** bit.ly/yg260426

Graduate Milestone

We will recognize our graduating seniors during the 10:15 service on Sunday, May 5 and host a lunch for seniors and their parent(s) afterwards. Those who choose to participate will receive a personalized bath towel to use in their dorm, apartment, or at home in the coming years. To participate, please fill out this form:

- **Graduate Milestone RSVP:** bit.ly/graduate26milestone

MAY



Ding Dong Ditch Dinners

- 5/2 | 2:00p-4:00p
- Gym & Walmart

Help provide some groceries to those in need - in a FUN way! After gathering grocery lists and making a trip to Walmart, we'll leave meal ingredients on the doorsteps of neighbors in need. Sign up to participate below:

- **RSVP:** bit.ly/ditch26dinners



Graduate Milestone

- 5/3 | 10:15a & 11:30a-1:00p
- Gym & Daniel's Den

We will recognize our graduating seniors during the 10:15 service on Sunday, May 3 and host a lunch for seniors and their parent(s) afterwards. Those who choose to participate will receive a personalized bath towel. To participate, please fill out this form:

- **RSVP:** bit.ly/graduate26milestone

Youth Group

5/17 6th-12th Grades
11:30-2:00

Youth Group

- 5/17 | 11:30a-2:00p
- Gym & Daniel's Den

ALL Middle & High School youth (and friends) are welcome to come to Youth Group. We'll share a meal, build relationships with some fun activities, and spend some time in God's Word. We would love to see you there!

- **RSVP:** bit.ly/yg260517

VBS Volunteering

We need your help to make this year's VBS a reality! VBS dates this year are: 6/22-6/26. To be notified when VBS volunteer registration is available, please sign up through the form below:

- **VBS Volunteer Registration:** vbsmate.com/chapelstpeters



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Our annual Trivia Night fundraiser was a huge success this year! Not only did we have more tables participate this year, but our Trivia Night event raised over \$5,800! WOW! It is such a wonderful blessing to be able to have these funds set aside to help cover the cost of our summer youth Mission Trips and for the LCMS Youth Gatherings. Thank you again for your generous support.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Study God's Word with your brothers and sisters in Christ! We have education opportunities for all ages each Sunday morning at 9:15 AM. Look and see which classes you and your children can attend.

Nursery

- Room 108

Preschool - Kindergarten

- Room 112

1st-3rd Grades

- Rooms 113 & 114

4th & 5th Grades

- Room 105

Middle School

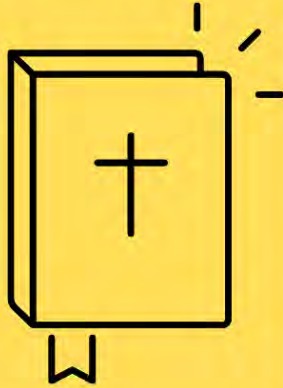
- Room 222

High School

- Daniel's Den (Youth Room)

Adult Bible Studies

- Sanctuary & Room 224



ELEMENTARY SCHEDULE

- 04/05** Easter Sunday (NO SS)
- 04/12** Saul's Conversion pt. 1
- 04/19** Saul's Conversion pt. 2
- 04/26** A Philippian Jailer pt. 1
- 05/03** A Philippian Jailer pt. 2
- 05/10** Christ Returns pt. 1
- 05/17** Christ Returns pt. 1
- 05/24** Memorial Day Weekend (NO SS)
- 05/31** Ministry Fair (Please Attend!)



PLAY & PRAISE

Third Wednesday, 4/15 & 5/19 - 5:00p-6:30p

Families with children in 1st Grade and younger are invited to our Play & Praise nights at Chapel of the Cross. This special time includes fun play and fellowship, a child-friendly worship service, and a simple family meal. We will be meeting at the Preschool entrance & participate in activities to start off the night.



SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays in the Summer - 6/7-8/9 - 9:15a-10:00a

Sunday School and Bible Class will continue in the summer! Children, youth, and adults will all have opportunities on Sunday mornings to study God's Word and be reminded of the love He has for us in Jesus. Children and youth will go to Sunday School classes based on their grade for the 2026-2027 school year.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Monday, June 22 — Friday, June 26 from 9:00a-12:00p

Mark your calendars for VBS 2026: "Tropical Trek." Join us for a Tropical Trek where we will learn how Jesus came to seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10)! We welcome all Preschool — 5th Graders to join us for an island adventure this summer! Register your child(ren) according to their grade for the 2026-2027 school year.

- vbsmate.com/chapelstpeters





Highlights

Learning the Faith
Ages 3-5
5 families participated

Deepening the Faith
10th - 11th Grade
7 families participated



This book belongs to:



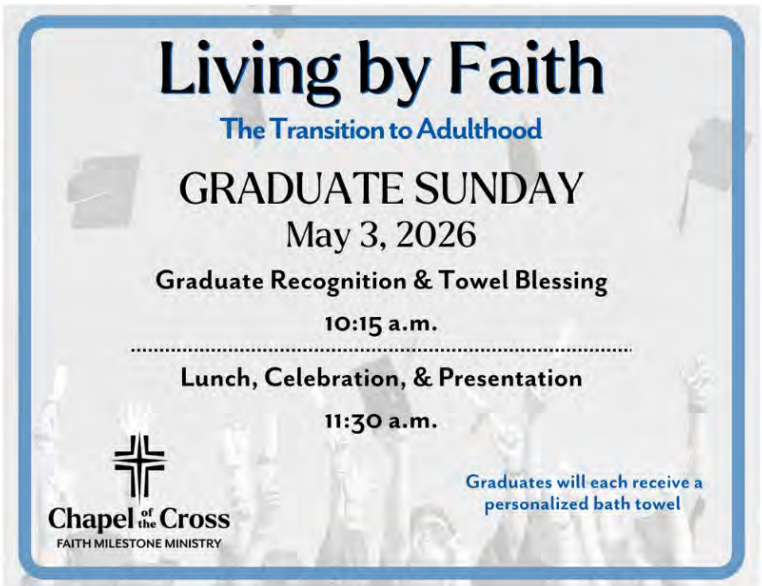
Seasons of the Church Year




REGISTER HERE

chapelstpeters.org/e/faith-milestone-living-by-faith

The Parent Training focus is on releasing your emerging adult child into the world and learning to influence their faith from a distance. It contains practical advice for encouraging them through questions and support as they create vision for the future. Graduates receive a bath towel with their name and a baptismal Biblical reference embroidered onto it. Graduates also have a separate time for discussion and encouragement with another facilitator.



Living by Faith
The Transition to Adulthood
GRADUATE SUNDAY
May 3, 2026
Graduate Recognition & Towel Blessing
10:15 a.m.
.....
Lunch, Celebration, & Presentation
11:30 a.m.



Chapel of the Cross
FAITH MILESTONE MINISTRY

Graduates will each receive a personalized bath towel

Church Bags



We recently updated our Church Bags! These bags include bigger clipboards & coloring pages, a drawing board, and new Bible story books for all ages! We hope these provide the tools you need to help you parent in the pew.

New Sensory Items →

Looking for resources to keep your elementary aged child engaged in the service! Check out the activities on the Narthex Counter!



Thank You

Erin Hoehner
Melanie Kozel
Shannon Morrow
Nicole Laskowsky

UPDATE FROM PASTOR SAM THOMPSON

Dear Friends at Chapel of the Cross,

Thank you so much again for your generous support towards mission work in India. Your love for the Lord and concern for His ministry in India are so encouraging to us. Your prayerful and sacrificial support enables us to share the love of Christ with children, young adults, and families in different parts of India each day. THANK YOU!

Our missionary, Shal Soman, continues to lead mission work in Kerala, South India. In December, CRC organised Christmas evangelism programs for children. The following are some other special programs held over recent months.

Children's Evangelism Programs: From January to March 2026, we conducted 6 children/teenager seminars across different parts of Kerala. Around 300 participants attended these programs. The topics covered were the fundamentals of Christian faith and Character formation.



University Campus Ministry: Our workers conducted workshops on three university/college campuses in Trivandrum, India. This includes a Teacher Training College, CSI Christian College, and John Cox Memorial Institute of Technology. We engaged with 250 students with the gospel of Jesus Christ. This program was conducted in partnership with Christian student groups working on these campuses.

Leadership Development Programs: We thank God for the two leadership seminars conducted during this reporting period, in Trivandrum and Kochi. More than 100 Sunday School teachers were trained. The topics include understanding children and teaching Bible stories and memory verses effectively.

Our missionary Albert Shine coordinates ministry in the North Indian states.

Village Ministries: He often travels to different villages in North India. He has visited Pathankott and Palam Pur villages in Punjab and Hisar and Sirsa in Haryana. We have children and their families come to hear the Gospel at this house and sometimes in open-air ministries. Most adults are illiterate, but Bible stories and songs provide a great opportunity to engage them.



Regular Ministries: There are four weekly bible clubs during the school year in different neighbourhoods in Delhi. Albert also conducted a couple of special programs for refugees from Nepal and Burma. He regularly preaches in different churches and promotes outreach and mission among children and village ministries.

Upcoming Ministries: The summer holidays start in India from late March to the end of May. It is a busy ministry season with Vacation Bible Schools and special training workshops. Kindly do remember our two missionaries and our volunteer workers who are involved in these ministries.



Thank you once again for your friendship and partnership with us. You are always in our prayers, and we continue to thank God for your love and generous heart for the gospel work in India.

God's Blessings,

Pastor Sam Thompson, on behalf of CRC mission workers in India.

March 2026



SOUP'S ON - PART TWO

Thank you to those who participated in our second Soup's On of 25/26 winter season. We are so grateful for those who took time out on Saturday, February 7th to make soup. Our Pastors and Staff then share the soup with those who could use a warm bowl of goodness. We also made two pots for the warming shelter to use when they were on call. Our unhoused neighbors really appreciated a warm meal.



Our New Church Bus is Here!

Our Sunday morning riders are so grateful for the new ride.

The aisle is wider and the ceiling is taller making it easier to maneuver around the bus. Our Youth Group is looking forward to taking it to the Missouri District Youth Retreat.

We are in the process of getting bids to add lettering/wrap to the bus.

Thank you to the Voters for making this a reality!



Special Lenten Soup Supper Serenade

On Wednesday, March 4th, we were blessed to hear Rakhimzhan Baspayev and our member, Amy Kashenov play for our Lenten Soup Supper! Mr. Baspayev is a distinguished multi-instrumentalist and conductor who maintains a prominent presence on the major stages of Kazakhstan and abroad. A rare talent in the classical world, he is equally accomplished as a concert cellist and a pianist, frequently appearing as a soloist with the country's leading symphony orchestras.

In addition to his instrumental mastery, Mr. Baspayev is a respected conductor known for his technical precision and expressive leadership on the podium. His international career includes acclaimed performances in Moscow and Italy, alongside significant work with premier institutions such as the Astana Opera and the Kazakh State Philharmonic. His artistry spans both symphonic and chamber music repertoire, establishing him as a versatile and refined figure in the global musical community.

What an honor it was to have them perform at Chapel of the Cross.



Executive Council

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April

Happy Birthday

Dave Bangert,	04-02	Marty Wittmus,	04-13	Diana Harte,	04-23
Dean Hoff,	04-02	Kuralai Kashenov,	04-14	Leila Cowan,	04-23
Judy Duncan,	04-03	Rachel Weinhold,	04-14	Connor Fujinaka,	04-24
Nate Underwood,	04-03	Zachary Hume,	04-14	Matt Peimann,	04-24
Jackson Stroup,	04-04	Amy Maier,	04-14	Andrew May,	04-24
Mark Hoehner,	04-05	Diane Hiner,	04-14	Quentin Brandt,	04-24
Paulette Allwardt,	04-05	Molly Kamphoefner,	04-14	Jan Metzler,	04-24
Nolan Smith,	04-05	Chris Durell,	04-15	Amberly Hume,	04-25
Chris McDonald,	04-06	Web Noel,	04-15	Amy Spangenberg,	04-26
Madeline Good,	04-08	Dan Wiederkehr,	04-15	Emma Crutchfield,	04-26
Asher Kemper,	04-08	Kevin Harms,	04-16	Penny Hobbs,	04-26
Liz Riedemann,	04-08	Lacey Kirksey,	04-16	Judy Johnson,	04-26
Barbara Rellmann,	04-08	Julianna Veit,	04-16	Deb Ross,	04-26
Isaac Newsham,	04-08	Kristen Spangenberg,	04-17	Trevor Holovics,	04-27
Kevin Harms,	04-09	Sharyl Doctorman,	04-17	Brenda Durrwachter,	04-27
Nicole Becker,	04-09	James Jones,	04-17	Adrienne Collins,	04-27
Ray Granger,	04-09	Amy Brake,	04-18	Kari Bowers,	04-27
Isaiah Hoehner,	04-09	John Middendorf,	04-18	Drake Harris,	04-28
Reagan Moellering,	04-09	Heather King,	04-19	Niki Noel,	04-28
Holly Jarus,	04-09	Dee Zumbahl,	04-20	Meghan Kester,	04-28
Haley Meinhart,	04-09	Richard Stroup,	04-20	Bob Carter,	04-29
Will Sills,	04-09	Becky Bromberg,	04-20	Tara Linneman,	04-29
Janice Pine,	04-10	Steve Linde,	04-20	Amber Holovics,	04-29
Eugene Zajac,	04-10	Joe Ostermeyer,	04-20	Lolita Cavender,	04-29
Barb Biggers,	04-10	Eliza Good,	04-21	Jean Bangert,	04-29
Sherry Wittmus,	04-10	Erica Lindsay,	04-21	Adam Peanick,	04-30
Karrin Nettles,	04-11	Gabriel Wesche,	04-22	Dennis Guyott,	04-30
Shirley Diehl,	04-11	Stephen Bain,	04-22	Tom Holovics,	04-30
Steve Junkel,	04-12	Loretta Schrieber,	04-22		
Brian Rensing,	04-12	Ryan Failla,	04-22		
Sandy Goecke,	04-13	Kim Harnagel,	04-23		

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Paul and Rosa Ludy,	04-02	Jenae and Spencer Mason,	04-18
Brian and Kelly Tschannen,	04-03	Tim and Emily Good,	04-20
Lance and Mary Ann Mueller,	04-04	Kathleen and Stephen Dwyer,	04-21
Phil and Angela Clayton,	04-06	John and Joy Lomax,	04-22
Virgil and Pat Schlough,	04-13	Richard and Betty Stroup,	04-27
Dale and DeeDee Brommelhorst,	04-14	Doug and Nancy Seifert,	04-28
Randy and Sherri Goltz,	04-16	Tim and Kathy Weber,	04-29
Stephen and Rachel Beck,	04-18	Deb and Allen Ross,	04-30

May

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Jane Ohmie,	05-01	Jayne Lindemann,	05-11	Sophia Cowan,	05-23
Gina Zajac,	05-01	Nolan Wilson,	05-12	Randy Goltz,	05-23
Janet Hessler,	05-02	Aaron Freed,	05-12	Quinn Young,	05-24
Keith Nelson,	05-02	Kenn Luecke,	05-12	Matt Crutchfield,	05-24
Rick Rodriguez,	05-03	Nolan Seifert,	05-13	Rachel Beck,	05-24
Peggy Clemens,	05-04	Michael Prince,	05-13	Benjamin Kamphoefner,	05-24
John Bain,	05-04	Billy Clemens,	05-13	Thomas Podhorsky,	05-25
Chuck Wiegand,	05-05	Samantha Savala,	05-13	Rod Bloese,	05-25
Rachelle Lilge,	05-05	Curtis Brooks,	05-14	Kristin Young,	05-25
Erlys Lein,	05-05	Emmet Walgate,	05-14	Don Randolph,	05-26
Michael Henson,	05-06	Ona Cooper,	05-14	Hannah Beck,	05-26
Tami Pack,	05-06	Jonah Uglum,	05-15	Joyce Whittington,	05-26
Sarah Brown,	05-06	Michael Nichols,	05-15	Walker Noel,	05-27
Jay Hollowood,	05-07	Charles Miller,	05-16	Shana Sam,	05-27
Stephanie Matt,	05-07	Erin Severson,	05-16	SmokeyScott Sheeley,	05-27
Jordan Brake,	05-07	Jordan Floyd,	05-17	Emmett Holovics,	05-28
Cooper Schmidt,	05-07	Janice Kirkiewicz,	05-17	Mackenzie Thomas,	05-28
Mary Ann Mueller,	05-07	Kathy Baum,	05-18	Andrew Sides,	05-28
Erik Diehl,	05-07	Joanne Scheer,	05-18	David Laskowsky,	05-29
Tyler Mann,	05-07	Sherri McKee,	05-18	Joseph DeWitt,	05-30
Ethan Clausing,	05-08	Katie Crites,	05-18	Ryan Kemper,	05-30
Heidi Holovics,	05-08	Harriet Allmon,	05-18	Mary Ann Stuckstede,	05-30
Mia Freed,	05-09	David Ruprecht,	05-18	Don Boettler,	05-31
Austin Freed,	05-09	Emily Good,	05-19	Doug Seifert,	05-31
Geoff Karstens,	05-09	Megan Niemeyer,	05-19	Elena Oberneufemann,	05-31
Terry Eaker,	05-10	Brynna Walgate,	05-20	Xavier Brandt,	05-31
Trina Nichols,	05-10	Pat Briley,	05-20	Daniel Rensing,	05-31
Katie Harris,	05-10	Christy Schaefer,	05-21	Natalie Rensing,	05-31
Sheryl Munz,	05-11	Claire Robinson,	05-21	Virgil Schlough,	05-31
Joel Collins,	05-11	Joyce Todd,	05-22	Ethan Freed,	05-31
Emily Hasson,	05-11	Henry Tschannen,	05-22	Stephen Whittle,	05-31
Sam Thompson,	05-11	Phyllis Carter,	05-22	Ariel Tschannen,	05-31

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Rick and Debra Rodriguez,	05-02	Ed and Melissa Leppert,	05-18	Steven and Margaret Hibbeler,	05-24
Dan and Karen Heidelmeyer,	05-04	Joel and Adrienne Collins,	05-18	Alex and Casey Mick,	05-25
Mark and Erin Hoehner,	05-05	Jim and Cynthia Harris,	05-18	Dale and Dawn Septeowski,	05-25
Jason and Jennifer Wareing,	05-05	Dale and Debbie Plegge,	05-19	Brad and Barb Biggers,	05-28
Tim and Cindy Connoley,	05-05	Ron and Pat Hoormann,	05-20	Rich and Bev Piehl,	05-30
Nicole and Matthew Hearty,	05-08	Bob and Joyce Gaugh,	05-21	Rod and Wenonah Landers,	05-30
Dennis and Charlene Hass,	05-12	David Ruprecht and Linda,	05-21	Emily and Drake Knight,	05-31
Kevin and Ariel Tschannen,	05-13	Keith and Dianne Nelson,	05-22	Jennifer and John Book,	05-31
Sam Thompson and Shana Sam,	05-14	James and Dorothy Marsh,	05-22		
Luke and Lindsey Weidner,	05-16	John and Pat Middendorf,	05-22		
Zachary and Erin Hume,	05-17	Dale and Jane Obermoeller,	05-22		



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