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WEDNESDAY ON FIRE

Wednesday ON FIRE meets weekly at 7:09 pm. This informal time of worship includes contemporary Christian music led by our own Worship band, short video clips with an inspirational message, a Christ based message by one of your peers, and time for prayer. Are you interested in playing an instrument or singing? Please mark your interest sheet or speak with a member of the Wednesday ON FIRE team.

Chapel Chatter



Flowers on the altar today are given by Cheryl and Denny Rapson in celebration of family birthdays.

Christ - Students - Community Coming Together

“INTRODUCTIONS” GATHERING Are you new to Martin Luther Chapel? Would you like to learn more about what this congregation is all about? You are invited to a one-hour lunch gathering after worship on February 11. We will share a meal and talk about the mission and ministry of Martin Luther Chapel. You will meet some leaders from the congregation, have a chance to ask questions, and find out how you can help us reach this community with the love of Christ. For those who are interested, we will discuss next steps in formally joining the congregation. Talk to Pastor Curt for more information. RSVP's are appreciated, but not required; just show up!

CAMPUS MINISTRY LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2018! Join The Lutheran Campus Mission Association (LCMA) for the 2018 Campus Ministry Leadership Conference, February 9-10 at The Dunes Learning center! The



Campus Ministry Leadership Conference presents speakers who share insights about campus and mainstream culture, disciple-building, peer ministry and outreach—all in a distinctive grassroots setting. Fellowship, spiritual formation and a dynamic devotional spirit characterize this two day intensive event. Along with the speaker, college students from across the nation gather to network and share their common experience of leading Christ's mission on a college campus. The cost of the event is free

for students. For more information, check out the posters around the chapel, or visit <http://www.immanueldekalb.com/www/campus-ministry-leadership-conference-cmlc/>.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY Today, January 28th, after the 10:30 AM worship service, please stay for a Congregational Meeting. Everyone involved in the ministry of the congregation in any way is encouraged to attend this meeting. We anticipate taking a vote at this meeting to decide to call a new, full-time Associate Pastor, and also voting to begin the process by calling a candidate from one of the Seminaries. If a suitable candidate is not located at one of the Seminaries, we would begin the process of calling a pastor who is currently serving in another congregation. If you have any questions or comments about the process, please feel free to contact Pastor Curt or Katrina.



GIVING STATEMENTS The 2017 Giving Statements will be mailed on Monday, 1/29. We hope these are helpful in your tax preparations. The Financial Secretaries have been diligently recording your gifts; however, if you have a question, please contact Anne Owens, Office Administrator, at 517-332-0778 or email mlc@martinlutherchapel.org.



SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY On Sundays at 9:30 am, Pastor Curt is leading a class on “Gospel Words” – looking at the words and metaphors used to describe and convey what it is that God has done for us in Christ.



MINI RETREAT FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS will be held at Martin Luther Chapel Friday, February 2, from 8:00 pm – midnight. There'll be food, games, devotions, and lots of opportunity to get to know each other. The mini bus will run through campus beginning at 7:30 pm. If you'd like to come, mark your interest sheet. If you have any questions, ask Laura Hohnstadt or Tim Mowers.

A MESSAGE FROM THE STEWARDSHIP TEAM

Thank you to those who have attended our Blessing Sessions as we focus on “Sharing Ourselves, Serving Our Lord, Shaping Our Ministry.” There are two remaining sessions if you have not yet been able to attend: today (Sunday, 1/28) from 12:30-2 pm in the Fireside Lounge at Martin Luther Chapel, hosted by College Students and led by Andy Barrus, and Thursday, 2/1, from 7 to 8:30 pm at the Seeley's home in East Lansing, hosted by Betsy Seeley and led by Sarah AcMoody. If you would like to attend, please sign up in the welcome area. If you are unable to attend, feel free to pick up one of the green “Blessing Session” folders available in the welcome area.

Next Sunday, February 4, is Stewardship Sunday. We will be collecting response cards from the Blessing Session packets during worship on Sunday.



SERVANT EVENTS Two groups of students (ten each) will be serving people in need over Spring Break. One group will be in El Paso/Juarez building a home for a family that currently doesn't have one. The other group will be going to Rockport, Texas, helping rebuild and recover from Hurricane Harvey. They will leave Saturday, March 3, returning Saturday, March 10. On Friday, March 2, at 5:30, we will have a commissioning service for them. If you wish to financially support these trips, please mark your contribution “Mission Trips.”

MARTIN LUTHER CHAPEL ENDOWMENT FUND

Were you aware that the Chapel has an Endowment Fund? The purpose of the Endowment Fund is to establish permanent funds that generate income to support the on-going mission, outreach, and programs of Martin Luther Chapel outside of the annual operating budget. Tax-deductible gifts can be made any time and come in many forms in addition to cash: securities, land, real estate, charitable trusts, memorials, life insurance, or gifts-in-kind. If you would like to make a gift to the Endowment Fund or would like to discuss this program, please speak with Pastor Dave.

This Week at Martin Luther Chapel

SUNDAY—1/28

8:45 am Staff Prayer
9:30 am Bible Study
10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30 am Congregational Meeting
12:30 pm Blessing Session (MLC)
5:30 pm Sunday Supper
7:00 pm Worship (Sanctuary)
8:00 Wednesday ON FIRE Rehearsal

MONDAY—1/29

10:45 am Prayers for the Ministry
7:00 pm 20s and 30s Bible Study

TUESDAY—1/30

1:00 pm Strike a Pose Art Class
7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Training Class

WEDNESDAY—1/31

7:09 pm Wednesday ON FIRE
8:00 pm College Student Bible Study

THURSDAY—2/1

5:00 pm Worship Planning
6:00 pm English Conversation Class
7:00 pm MLC Book Group
7:00 pm Blessing Session (Seeley's)
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY—2/2

8:00 pm Spring Mini Retreat

SUNDAY—2/4

8:45 am Staff Prayer
9:30 am Bible Study
10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)
4:30 pm Tell Me About Jesus
5:30 pm Sunday Supper
7:00 pm Worship (Sanctuary)
8:00 Wednesday ON FIRE Rehearsal

NEW SIGN UP SHEETS AVAILABLE Sign up on your interest sheet or at the prayer desk if you'd like to purchase a \$35 floral arrangement in memory of or in honor of a loved one.

20S & 30S 2018 SCHEDULE Faith & Fellowship at Crunchy's (254 W. Grand River, East Lansing) on Mondays at 7 pm on February 5th, March 5th, and April 2nd. Bible Bible study dates are January 29, February 12 & 26, March 12 & 26, and April 9 & 23, at 7 pm in the Fireside Lounge.

SOUP KITCHEN AT CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH Want to help serve lunch at the soup kitchen at Christ Lutheran Church, 122 S. Pennsylvania, Lansing? Martin Luther Chapel will be serving the meal Saturday, February 17, from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm. Sign up on the interest sheet if you'd like to participate or would like more information.

BIBLE STUDY We are beginning a new Bible study called "Tell Me About Jesus," organized by Becky Armstrong and Pastor Dave. This group will meet every other week, and is especially designed for our friends who have cognitive or developmental challenges. The next meeting will be February 4 at 4:30.

MLC BOOK GROUP selection for February is *The Golden Son* by Shilpi Somaya Gowda. Copies are available for pick up now in the Chapel office. The next meeting will be this Thursday, February 1st. Please mark your interest sheet if you would like to be added to the email list.

CALLING ALL MINISTRY MINDED COOKS AND ASSISTANTS We are in need of cooks and assistants for Sunday during the spring semester (January thru April). If you are available and willing to cook, please mark your interest sheet or sign up on the poster on the bulletin board in the copier room. Questions? Contact Cindy Winter (thewintercrew@yahoo.com). Your help would be greatly appreciated! Dates available: 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 3/11, 3/25, 4/8, 4/22, and 4/29.

SUNDAY SUPPER Sunday Supper takes place tonight hosted by Reed and Sally Kalso. Gather on the lower level at 5:30 pm for home-cooked food and fellowship before the evening worship service. Vegetarian option is always available. A mini bus run begins at 5:00 pm for those who live on campus with return runs at 6:30 & 8:00 pm.

SUBMITTING ARTICLES If you would like to submit an article to Chapel Chat-ter for your group or event, please send it to the office by Thursday morning.

PRAYER REQUESTS If you have special concerns that you would like included in the prayer during the service, please write them on the Prayer Request sheet on the wooden prayer desk in the entryway.

COLLEGE STUDENT BIBLE STUDY meets Wednesday nights at 8:05 pm after Wednesday ON FIRE. It's a great place to get to know other students and discuss topics relevant to young adults and learn what the Bible has to say about them.

ESL SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS We are holding a Bible class this morning in the Education room downstairs for English language learners (children of students from our international community.) We are looking for volunteers to lead the class in the weeks to come. Please speak with Pastor Curt if you have interest in participating.

MINI BUS Need a ride to Chapel from campus and back? We have a mini bus that runs before and after morning worship, Sunday Supper, evening worship, Wednesday ON FIRE, and other Chapel events. The schedule can be found online at <http://martinlutherchapel.org/about/mini-bus-schedule> or on the shelf in the Welcome Area.

MARTIN LUTHER CHAPEL STUDENTS is a public Facebook group that helps connect students from MSU and the surrounding East Lansing area and keeps them up to date on events happening at the Chapel.



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