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# CHAPEL CHATTER

*Christ - Students - Community - Coming Together*

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### Thought for the day

“Out of the sighs of one generation are kneaded the hopes of the next.”

~Machado de Assis

Special thank you to Chris Behrens, for leading us with worship on the piano.

Flowers on the altar today are in celebration of Jeanne Anne Fitzgerald’s 100<sup>th</sup> birthday, February 11. by her daughter, Yatidi Lightfoot.



### Ash Wednesday Worship

Begin the season of Lent by participating in one of our Ash Wednesday worship services on Wednesday, February 22. Both services will include the imposition of ashes.

**12:00 p.m. - MSU Alumni Chapel**

5:45 p.m. Soup & Bread meal

**7:00 p.m. - Martin Luther Chapel**

Everyone is encouraged to participate in the Lent BOOTCAMP and join a group to discuss and pray with others.

### Joining Jesus on His Mission

During Lent, we will go through a BOOTCAMP to prepare us to be better missionaries to our friends, neighborhoods, communities, and campus. Utilizing the book “Joining Jesus on His Mission”, by Greg Finke, a series of videos from the author and Pastor Curt, and small group meetings, we will reflect on our current world, see what Jesus is doing around us, and look for ways we (individually and as a congregation) can join His mission to redeem the world.

Everyone is encouraged to read the book which is available at church or can be purchased on Amazon. A reading schedule will be available before Ash Wednesday when we will begin this journey together.

As we read the book together, Pastor Curt will post video reflections on the Martin Luther Chapel YouTube channel of ways to apply the readings to our ministry. A video curriculum developed by the authors will also be posted through the season.

Everyone is also encouraged to find a group of friends to meet with for discussion, encouragement, and brainstorming. If you would like to start a group, let Pastor Curt know where and when you will be meeting. We can also share that information with the congregation to encourage others to participate.

### Bible Readings this week

In addition to our chosen scripture during worship, take a look at these lessons sometime this week:

**Deuteronomy 30:15 - 20**

**1 Corinthians 3:1 - 9**

**Matthew 5:21 - 37**

## This Week at Martin Luther Chapel

### SUNDAY - 2/12

9:30 am Confirmation Class (Lower Level)  
9:30 am First Communion Class (Lower Level)

### 10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)

11:30 Bible Study Group (Fireside Lounge)  
5:30 pm Christian Faith Class  
**7:00 pm Worship (Sanctuary)**  
8:00 pm Student-Led Bible Study (Fireside Lounge)

Tuesday - 2/14 *Happy Valentine's Day*

6:30 pm Spiritual Care & Growth Meeting (Zoom)  
7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Leaders Meeting (Zoom)

### SUNDAY - 2/19

9:30 am Confirmation Class (Lower Level)  
9:30 am Choir Rehearsal  
**10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)**  
5:30 pm Christian Faith Class  
**7:00 pm Worship (Sanctuary)**  
8:00 pm Student-Led Bible Study (Fireside Lounge)

Wednesday - 2/22

12:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service MSU Alumni Chapel  
5:45 pm Soup and Bread meal  
7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary)



The start of a new year can offer a clean slate from our grueling end-of-year holiday schedules, providing an opportunity to reset and create resolution. Even with the optimism of a new year, many of us struggle to cope in a post-pandemic world as we face economic difficulties, work-related burnout, gun violence, social justice challenges as well as national and worldwide unrest.

If you are struggling with the winter blues, life's difficulties or crises, Stephen Ministry at Martin Luther Chapel is here to carry out Christ's commandment to "love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12) in a powerful and practical way. With Stephen Ministers, people who are hurting have a caring Christian presence providing emotional and spiritual support. If you would like to receive the care of a Stephen Minister, please contact one of the Stephen Ministry Referrals Coordinators: Rev. David Dressel 517-285-4166 | Betsy Seeley, Stephen Leader 517-420-5692



### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of a variety of volunteer positions like ushers, preparation & assisting with communion and bus drivers. Sign up on the Interest sheet for any of our volunteer needs at Martin Luther Chapel. Bus drivers must be 21. Training is provided for all volunteer positions.



*The church prays, "We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us--our selves, our time, and our possessions." We do much more than support the work of our congregation as we make our contributions. We actually reorient ourselves toward what we possess and what we value the most. God's word speaks to us about this fundamental realignment of our lives.*

***"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."***

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