

THE Chapel Bell

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**DINNER,
FELLOWSHIP,
MUSIC, AND
WORSHIP
WOW!**

Drop in on
Wednesdays for dinner between
5:30-6:15 pm Fellowship Hall.

Dinner will be
catered by Carolyn's.

Worship to follow at 6:15 pm.

Bring A Friend!

Cost

Adults \$10

Students (10-17) \$5

Children (under 9) are free

Please RSVP at 314-993-4771 ext 0.

February 28, 2018

Taste of the Hill
spaghetti, toasted ravioli, salad,
garlic cheese bread, ice cream

Family Worship will be led by
Rev. Melanie Smith and the
Confirmands in Fellowship
Hall.

**DID
YOU
KNOW...**

Ladue Chapel members sometimes perform ministry informally. Last week for the Organ recital, Ladue Chapel women seeing a need for recital refreshments met in one of their homes and made 12-14 dozen delicious cookies. They shared the work, exchanged baking tips, enjoyed friendship, and served us all.

Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

~John 12:26

Two Sunday's ago, our confirmation lesson was about prayer and the different forms it can take: prayers of thanks, confession, praise, petitions, prayers where we tell God about our days—we talked about how listening is a form of prayer, then we discussed lament.

Lament is a way of expressing pain and heartache that have come up because of immediate situations in life. It's also a way of recognizing that what's happening in the world or in our own lives, doesn't quite seem to fit with our understanding of who God is. In their book "Rachel's Cry", Kathleen Billman and Daniel Migliorie write that, "while the prayers of lament arise out of very different dangers and disasters, common to them all is the perceived dissonance or 'incongruity' between the promises of God and experienced reality."

We see these prayers throughout the Psalms:

"How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever?

How long will you hide your face from me?

How long must I bear pain in my soul,

And have sorrow in my heart all day long?" Ps. 13.1-2

We also hear a prayer of lament from the lips of Jesus as he hangs from the cross:

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Matt. 27.46.b

Lament is powerful because it allows us to recognize that something is deeply and profoundly wrong and what we have experienced or witnessed in the world is the exact opposite of God's kingdom.

As I write this, news is still breaking about the 17 people who were killed at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, and the 19 year old gunman. In the wake of such tragedy it's hard to find words that can express the depths of pain, fear, heart ache, anger and profound loss. I've found myself turning to the prayers of lament—because while lament allows us to express our pain and heartache, through it we also address the one we believe not only hears our cry but has the power to bring about change as well.

By the time you read this, more details will be known and the debates will be continuing about how to bring about change so that our students, teachers and loved ones are safe. As we debate, I hope we will continue to lament together—to address our pain and heartache to God with the steadfast, confident hope, that God hears us and is at work in the world, in our communities, even in us, bringing about change, so that one day lament will only be a thing of the past.

Peace,





Bridge Bread

On **Sunday, February 25**, Ladue Chapel will have Bridge Bread baked goods (cinnamon rolls, bread, brownies, sweet rolls, and bagels) for sale in the Gathering Place after worship. Ladue Chapel is joining together with 60 area churches and supporting the work of Bridge Bread by selling their baked goods. For more information about what Bridge Bread does for our community, go to bridgebread.org.

Easter Baskets Needed

The Women's Association is gathering Easter baskets filled with goodies **appropriate for preschoolers ages 3 and under**. These baskets will be donated to Cornerstone Nursery. This is a tradition the Women's Association has supported for many years. In order for the children to receive their baskets by Easter, please bring your Easter basket donation to the office **by noon on Palm Sunday, March 25**. We appreciate your kindness!



Electronic Recycling March 9 & 10



Clayton's Public Works Department and Republic Services will co-sponsor the annual electronic recycling event on the south side of Shaw Park on Friday, March 9 from 7:30 a.m. to noon and Saturday, March 10 from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Businesses and residents may dispose of computers, printers, phones, pagers, fax machines, small appliances, copy machines, and metal items. Everything that plugs into a wall or runs off a battery will be accepted. Fees will apply to CRT monitors, televisions, and Freon-containing items.

Cares & Concerns

Recently Hospitalized or Recovering at Home: If you are aware of a member in the hospital or anticipating a hospitalization, please call the church office at 993-4771 ext 0 or speak to one of the pastors. We are available to offer a ministry of care, compassion, and prayer in times of need.

We offer our Christian love and sympathy to Holly & Mark Thomas and Family on the death of Holly's father, Ben Williams, on Tuesday, February 13.

CALENDAR

An extended calendar is available at www.laduechapel.org

Thursday, February 22

9:30 am	Theology Group	Leutwiler
1:00 pm	Photo Sessions	Fireside
6:30 pm	Chapel Ringers	Choir Rm
7:00 pm	Youth Committee	Library
7:30 pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Rm

Friday, February 23

7:00 am	Food Bank	Service Bldg
7:30 am	Lenten Bfast & Speaker	FH
1:00 pm	Photo Sessions	Fireside

Saturday, February 24

10:00 am	Photo Sessions	Fireside
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Sunday, February 25

8:15 am	Infant Care	Nursery
8:30 am	Worship	Sanctuary
9:45 am	Adult Education	Various
9:45 am	Youth Education	Youth Rms
9:45 am	Confirmation	FH
9:45 am	Sunday School	Edu Wing
11:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Rescheduled Annual Congregational Meeting	Sanctuary
4:00 pm	Carillon Ringers	Choir Rm
5:30 pm	Youth Group	FH

Monday, February 26

7:00 am	Food Bank	Service Bldg
9:30 am	DISCIPLE IV	Leutwiler
1:00 pm	Women's Book Club	Library
1:30 pm	Kindermusik	Choir Rm
4:00 pm	Children's Snack	FH-N
4:15 pm	Route 345	Youth Rm
4:15 pm	Chorister Choir	Choir Rm
5:00 pm	Carol Choir	Choir Rm
5:45 pm	GenRev Ringers	Choir Rm
7:00 pm	Mission Committee	Leutwiler

Tuesday, February 27

9:30 am	Program Staff Mtg	Staff CR
9:30 am	Mailing Angels	Gulick
10:30 am	WA Bandages	FH-N
12:00 pm	WABrown Bag Lunch	FH-N
1:00 pm	Women's Study Grp	Library
7:00 pm	Stephen Ministry	Leutwiler

Wednesday, February 28

8:00 am	Men's Bible Study	Leutwiler
8:15 am	Directory Committee	Bickel
12:00 pm	Grief Support Group	Library
5:30 pm	WOW Dinner	FH-N
6:15 pm	Family Worship	FH
7:00 pm	Session	Leutwiler

Thursday, March 1

5:30 pm	Lord's Supper	Supper FH
6:30 pm	Chapel Ringers	Fireside
7:30 pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Rm

Adult Education

For Sunday, February 25

Choose from these classes:

- *An Overview of the Hydrologic Cycle and its Relevance to Man* (Fireside Room) presenter – Robert Criss
- *Christian Pilgrimage* (Gulick Room) - presenter - Edie Tashma
- *Skills for Biblical Interpretation* (Leutwiler Room) presenter – Rev. Anastassia Sharpe
- *Discover Your Oasis!* (Mellow Library) presenters – Sharon Hales and Debbie Abbot

Details for each class can be found on the Welcome Table or online at laduechapel.org/learn/adulteducation.

March dates now available!

2018 Pictorial Directory

In honor of our 75th anniversary, we're putting together a new member directory, but we can't do it without you. Ladue Chapel photography sessions are scheduled for **February 20-24 and March 13-17**. Remember, appointments are first come, first served. Sign up online today or online at laduechapel.org/2018-directory/ to reserve your photo session.



Women's Association March Program

If you enjoy Antiques Roadshow, you will want to join the Women's Association on **Tuesday, March 6 at 11:00 a.m. in Fireside**. We are delighted that Ladue Chapel member Julie Nicolai will be at the helm that day. Julie, a local antiques dealer and appraiser, welcomes those who attend to bring one small item which she will appraise. Please join us for the program and a luncheon to follow at noon. You can call the church office at 314-993-4771 ext 0 to make a reservation by Friday, March 2.



Lenten Breakfast Series

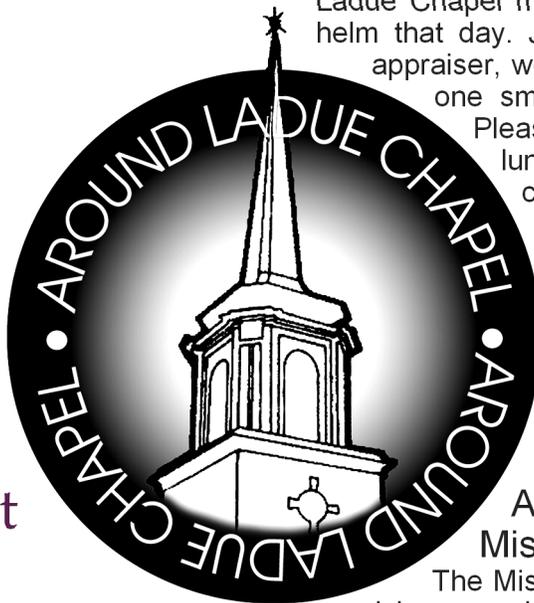
Fridays through Good Friday, March 30
7:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

All are welcome! The morning begins with coffee at 7:30 a.m., breakfast at 7:45 a.m. and the speaker for that day will begin at 8:10 a.m.

Speakers

- February 23: David Erwin
- March 2: Rev. Anastassia Sharpe
- March 9: Rev. Amy Bertschausen
- March 16: Rev. Dr. Dieter Heinzl
- March 23: Rev. Melanie Smith
- March 30: Rev. Dr. Mark Thomas

The cost for breakfast is \$10 per person. RSVP to the church office at 314-993-4771 ext 0 or online at laduechapel.org/worship/special-services/lent/.



Applications for Mission Interns 2018

The Mission Intern program is open to all rising seniors through current college sophomores. Through this experience, Interns will learn about needs in our community by working with agencies that Ladue Chapel supports: Cornerstone, Habitat for Humanity, LEAD, Isaiah 58, Chapel for the Exceptional and more. If you are interested in applying, go to laduechapel.org/mission-interns/. **Application deadline is Friday, March 16, 2018.**



Monthly Men's Breakfasts

Men's Fellowship is sponsoring a Saturday morning breakfast cooked by the men of the church at **8:15 a.m. on Saturday, February 24**. The cost for breakfast is \$5.00 per person and can be paid at the door. Join us!

Lord's Supper Supper

2nd-5th graders & families, we hope you can join us for the Lord's Supper Supper on Thursday, March 1 at 5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. This is a kid-friendly meal where we learn about Communion and have a behind-the-scenes tour of the Communion table and elements. The evening will end at 7:00 p.m. Our approach is to provide a meaningful experience for elementary aged children, so we recommend 2nd-5th graders attend with parents. Grandparents welcome, too! There is no charge but we do need to know how many plan on attending. Please RSVP to Robin Crawford at rcrawford@laduechapel.org or go online to laduechapel.org/learn/children/. Please indicate if childcare (infant-1st grade) is needed. Children will be prepared to take Communion on March 4 with your family and the congregation during worship. *Do this in remembrance of me.*

**Sunday, February 25
Worship Services at
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
in the Sanctuary**

Scriptures

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Psalm 22:23-31; Romans 4:13-25; Mark 8:31-38

Music Ministry

At 8:30 a.m., baritone Adam Stefo will sing "Here's One."

At 11:00 a.m., Chorister Choir will sing "God Is Here with Me" and Chancel Choir will sing "What Wondrous Love."



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Making A Difference

JOIN US!

Lenten Breakfast Series

Friday Mornings until Good Friday
See inside for details!

Lectio Divina Sunday, March 4

12:30-1:15 p.m. in the Fireside Room

How have you been making space in your life for God to speak? Join us as we support each other on our journey with Christ. We will meditate on God's Word through the ancient practice of spiritual reading, *Lectio Divina*, as we seek a living, transforming relationship with God-in-Christ. Contact Anne Peacock with questions: 314-993-4771 ext 3122 or apecock@laduechapel.org.

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The Annual Congregational Meeting, which was postponed last Sunday due to lack of a quorum, has been rescheduled for Sunday, February 25, following the 11:00 a.m. service to receive the 2017 Annual Report and approve 2018 terms of call for the pastors. Please plan to attend!