

**This Week at Cross of Calvary: Mar 25-Apr 1**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Kids' Choirs Sing / Ham Dinner</b>
8:30 & 10:30am	Worship / Communion
9:30am	NO Sunday School
11:15am	Ham Dinner
<b>Monday</b>	
1:30	Ruth Study
<b>Tuesday</b>	
6:15, 7:00am	Men's Bible Study-Church
<b>Wednesday</b>	
9:00am	Men's Bible Study @ Parkview
3:15pm	WOW/WeeWOW/Kids' Choirs
5:30-6:30pm	Soup Supper
7:00pm	Lent Service / Confirmation
<b>Thursday</b>	
7:07am	Breakfast Club
9:00am	Quilting
9:30am	Dorcas Study
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Sr High Gathering</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sr High Gathering</b>
5:30 pm	Vespers
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Palm Sunday Breakfast</b>
8:30 & 10:30am	Worship / Communion
9:30am	Sunday School / Coffee Hour

**April**

**HOLY WEEK**

Maundy Thursday	1:00pm & 7:00pm
Good Friday	7:00pm
No Saturday Vespers	
Easter Sunday	6:30am & 9:00am

**Table Prayer for the Week**

Gracious God, as we near the end of our Lenten journey, may you continue to remind us of the important truth we are reminded of at this time of year. Namely, that you have given us your Son to suffer on the cross and be raised again, so that we might have new and abundant life. May we walk that reality. May we talk that reality every day. Thank you for the food we are about to eat. May it strengthen us for service in your name. Amen.

**Prayer**

**MILITARY – (listed until notified of their return)**

Carolyn Wertish-Heiser, Todd Hammerschmidt, Paul Plumley, Joshua Keyser and Jake Dillon

**PRAYERS OF HEALING & STRENGTH**

Jeff Holmer	[K. Erickson]
Diana Adkins	[B Hennen]
Jim Plumley	[C Plumley]
Nikki Gleasner	[M Hanson]
Chet Boen	[A Boen]
Madison Travers	[K Barta]
Justin Lothert	[graduates of 2011]
Christie Engelman	[S Grasmon]
Mike Gregoire	[D Boen]
Mike Bruns	[M Brown Family]
Theresa Buesgens	[L Baumgartner]
Julie Mitchell	[W Stucke]
Al Engstrom	[R Linde]
Randy Akre	[J Weis]
Gina Wog	[L Schultze]
Bruce McElmury	[C Mallak]
DJ Lubenske	[C Mallak]
Megan Buysse	[S Kubesh]
Chuck & Connie Grewe	[V Mittlestadt]
Verna Mertz	[R Mertz]
Denny Balgaard	[J Balgaard]

**Praise**

- Verna is recovering at Gil-Mor Manor in Morgan and is improving as time passes. I know the prayers are sustaining her with God's help. -Randy Mertz Family
- Cherub and Junior Choir singers...rock!!!

**Adding loved ones to the Prayer and Praise Lists:**

- Please gain permission.
- Fill out a request form: found in the pews & office, or use the Prayer page at our website - [crossofcalvary.net](http://crossofcalvary.net)
- Names will remain on the list as indicated on the request form and then removed.
- If you feel someone should remain on the list, please resubmit the name to the office.



**Soup Suppers**

During Lent (Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30)

March 28 Men's Group

**Weekly Bulletin Deadline is Thursday- noon.**  
523-1574 or [crossofcalvary@gmail.com](mailto:crossofcalvary@gmail.com)

**VOLUNTEERS are NEEDED.**

Please consider offering your time to assist with worship – usher, reader, communion assistant, special music, run the screen

**APR Altar Guild**—V Wertish, M Hanson, K Brown

**Communion Assts.**

Apr 1 & 15 8:30 – M Rauenhorst 10:30 – G Mertens

**Readers**

APR 1	8:30 – T Gay	10:30-
APR 8 EASTER	6:30 -	9:00-
APR 15	8:30 - T Gay	10:30-
APR 22	8:30 -	10:30-
APR 29	8:30 -	10:30-

**Acolytes**

APR Mitchel Crow Evan Janson

**MAR Ushers**

8:30am - E Skeie, J Skeie, L Fahse, R Fahse  
10:30 am – Steve & Sue Altmann Family

**THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS** for signing up to serve on Sundays! Your dedication to assisting with worship is a blessing!!!

**Announcements**

**Church accessibility during the winter.** Please call whenever you need the church opened outside of the following times. We will be happy to accommodate your needs.

Monday	8:30a – 7:00p
Tuesday	8:30a – 5:00p
Wednesday	8:30a – 7:00p
Thursday	8:30a – 5:00p
Friday	8:30a – 5:00p
Saturday and Sunday	8:00a – 5:00p

Craig Boen 522-0266 Laurie Schultze 522-1199
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**OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday	8:30am – 4:30pm
Tuesday	8:30am – 4:30pm
Wednesday	8:30am – 7:00pm
Thursday	8:30am – 4:30pm
Friday	8:30am – 2:00pm

**Website:** [crossofcalvary.net](http://crossofcalvary.net)

**Palm Sunday Breakfast - Sun, Apr 1st.**

Scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit, juice, milk ,coffee  
9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Please check the Youth Board for worker and donation sign-up sheets.

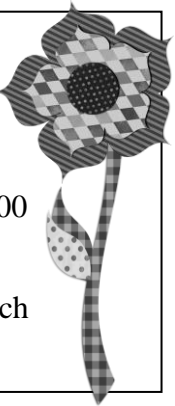
**ASSEMBLE THE FOLLOWER**

**TUES, MARCH 27 at 1pm**

A half dozen people are needed to assemble the Follower. Takes less than an hour!

For those who would like to stay in contact with Chet & Angie Boen during their stay at Hope Lodge, you may pick up the address in the office.
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**HAM DINNER**  
**TODAY 11:15 – 1:15**



Adults \$8.00  
Youth (age 9 and under) \$5.00  
Take-outs until 12:45

Tickets are available after church services or in the office.

**Spring Fling Flower Sales** - start April 1 and end April 15. Youth families will be emailed a packet, or you can pick up a packet from the bright yellow folder on the Youth Board. Last day to turn in youth orders is April 16th. They can be turned into the church office (look for manilla folder labeled Youth Flower Orders) or given to Sue Erickson or Sandy Padrnos. Customers can pick up their orders on Friday, May 11 from 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. or Saturday, May 12 from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. Contact for more information - Sue Erickson 523-5010 or Sandy Padrnos - 522-0475.

**NOG - Help Us Fly South** – Notice the big “JETS” in the Narthex? Help the youth kids with the cost of airfare by filling up the envelopes on the Narthex Windows. Choose from \$1.00 all the way up to \$50.00. Mix and match envelopes together or individually. They can be filled and dropped off in the church office or given to Chelsey. Thanks for your support!!

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS:** 

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday. We invite you to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passage.

Sunday	John 12:20-33	The grain of wheat that dies
Monday	Isaiah 43:1-4	God is your Savior
Tuesday	Isaiah 44:1-8	God will help his people
Wednesday	John 12:44-50	God gives eternal life
Thursday	John 17:1-5	This is eternal life
Friday	2 Corinthians 5:14-21	Christ's love compels us
Saturday	Psalms 91	God will satisfy with long life
Sunday	Mark 11:1-11	Jesus enters Jerusalem

**SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK:**

Eternal life is to know you, the only true God, and to know Jesus Christ, the one you sent. **John 17:3 (CEV)**

**SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:**

**A Prayer for the Week:**

Jesus, my Savior, please draw me close to you, today and always. Amen.

**Mealtime Prayer:**

Dear God, be with us as we share this meal and with us always stay. Bless us with your love and grace, each and every day. Amen.

**A Blessing to Give:**

May God give you a new heart to believe in Jesus and to do what pleases him. Amen.

**CARING CONVERSATION:**

Discuss in your household or small group:

- Share about a time when you felt upset or worried.
- Before Jesus' death, his heart was "troubled" (John 12:27). Could Jesus have chosen not to die? Why or why not?
- What does Jesus' gift of his life on the cross mean to you?

**DEVOTIONS:**

Read Psalm 51 as a home devotional litany. Consider dividing up the reading as follows:

Reader 1: verses 1-2; Reader 2: verses 3-5; Reader 3: verses 6-9; Reader 4: verses 10-12.

At the end of each section, invite all household members to respond together with these words: "God, create a pure heart in me."

**SERVICE:**

This week, begin to create Easter cards to send to friends, relatives, fellow church members and neighbors. Decorate your cards with Easter symbols (e.g. crosses, butterflies, lilies).

**RITUALS AND TRADITIONS:**

Lent is a time to reflect on the life of Jesus and our own lives as his followers. Lent begins in the wilderness and journeys toward the cross and the tomb. In preparing for Holy Week and Easter, help your children experience the solemnity and importance of this season by together creating a "wilderness box." Place these symbols into a shoebox or cardboard carton:

- **Sand:** to create the wilderness (Mark 1:12-13)
- **Twig Crosses:** as a reminder that Jesus said that any who would follow him must "take their cross and follow me" (Mark 8:34-35)
- **Stones:** symbolizing the stone tablets of the 10 Commandments or the stones of the temple that Jesus said would be destroyed (John 2:19)
- **Fabric "Road" or "Path":** symbolizing the journey God's Old Testament people made through the desert, and our Lenten journey
- **Wheat:** the symbol Jesus uses to talk about how dying brings new life (John 12:24)
- **Palm or Fern Fronds:** add these on Palm Sunday
- **Closed Tomb:** add this on Good Friday (use play-dough or modeling clay for this)
- **Flowers:** open the "tomb" and insert these on Easter Sunday to symbolize the new life that comes to us because of Jesus' resurrection

# Palm Sunday Breakfast

CofC youth

Sunday, April 1st.

Serving scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit, juice, milk and coffee from 9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

**Workers and donations needed!!**

**Check out the youth board for sign up sheet**

**Thank you in advance!**

## UPCOMING YOUTH/FAMILY EVENTS

MARCH - 25<sup>th</sup> -- CLOCK 6:10 PM

30-31<sup>st</sup> - Sr. High Gathering

April - 1<sup>st</sup> Palm Sunday Breakfast

April - 2<sup>nd</sup> Cell-abration! 3:05

April 14<sup>th</sup> - Graceful Parenting, 10:30 AM

April 15<sup>th</sup> - Bridge Builders 9:30 AM

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## CELL-ABRATION!

Throughout the upcoming Holy Week, I will be doing a short mini service to celebrate via TEXT MESSAGE!

My cell number is 522-3279.

Please text, facebook or e-mail me yours and you can join in on this.

Times will be set so as to not interfere with school or practice (hopefully!) and we will worship where ever we are.

This will only take about 10 min. Can you find 10 min?

Just take a moment to be still.

Check the facebook event for details and times under Cof Calvary Kids. We will begin Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 3:05 pm!

## *Let's be the WINGS of Promise*

Prayerfully consider bringing a \$1.00 to each Wed and Sat/Sun worship services during Lent to pay the cost to send care packages to those in need (through Lutheran World Relief). Leave your gift in a basket at the back of the Sanctuary