

# At Cross of Calvary - Week of June 1

## PRAYERS OF HEALING & STRENGTH

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## PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

Summer!!!

## VOLUNTEERS for June

**Communion** 9:00—A Thompson

**Ushers** 9:00 — B Miller, M/E Iverson, C Hanson

**Altar Guild** N Hague, J Wogen, B Hennen

**Acolytes**

**Altar Flowers** – sign-up on the board

**Coffee Hour and Altar Flowers** – sign-up on the board

**Note to all Sunday volunteers:** As a courtesy to all those who volunteer alongside you, please try to find a fill-in whenever you are unable to be at church to serve as an usher, reader, acolyte or to serve communion.

## **Sabbatical**

Pastor's sabbatical runs from May 26<sup>th</sup> through August 1. For emergencies during sabbatical, please contact

- Laurie – cell 320-522-1199
- Chelsey – cell 320-522-3279

thank  
you!

## --Calling to Your Attention--

<b>Sun</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>9am</b>
<b>Mon</b>	Library reserved	6-8pm
<b>Tues</b>	Men's Bible Study	6:15 & 7:00am
<b>Wed</b>	Bulletin information due by noon	
	<b>Thursday Evening Worship</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>9am</b>



June 16	Kitchen reserved	4-9pm
June 17	July/Aug Follower deadline	
June 18	Council	7pm
June 22	Shower / FH	11:30-4:30
June 24	Assemble the July/Aug Follower	1pm
July 03	No Thursday Evening Worship	
July 12 and 19	Showers / FH	
August 1	Pastor return from Sabbatical	



### Volunteer... *Honey-Do* List

The church has a variety of maintenance and repair jobs to keep up with throughout the year. Do you have the know-how, the tools, the time? Check with Laurie if you'd like to volunteer:

- Connect downspout extensions
- Hang soap dispenser in kitchen
- Install a countertop in the Sacristy
- Install balcony glass walls
- Stain and varnish interior of two Altar area windows

If you notice something that may need to be added to the *Honey-Do* list, let Laurie know about it. Please include your name on the request, so clarifying questions may be asked and/or additional information shared.

## --General Reminders--

- New Members are welcomed anytime. Contact Pastor or Laurie.
- Contact the office when needing to borrow anything from church.
- The *FOLLOWER* and weekly bulletin are available at *crossofcalvary.net*.
- *The Faithful 15* is a weekly, 15-minute podcast available on our website and on iTunes.
- The order of service is available in large print at the display rack
- We are no longer accepting used printer or toner cartridges.

### Flowers for the Altar?

- Choose a date and sign up on the Board.
- Call/email the office to indicate what you'd like in the bulletin – in celebration of, in honor of, in memory of. Note: without a designation, no reference will be printed.
- Have flowers delivered by 4pm on Saturday.

### Adding loved ones to the Prayer & Praise Lists:

- Please gain permission.
- Please contact Laurie ...even if you have mentioned it to Pastor :-)
- Names will remain on the list for a maximum of one month
- Names for the Follower must be submitted before the deadline date.

**Emergency/Pastoral Care** - Please have a family member or friend notify the church. You may also request hospital staff to call on your behalf. Call day or night at 523-1574.

### No one was able to answer your call? 320-523-1574

- Wait for the extension of the staff member you want to contact.
- Call the cell number given. They will pick up the call if able.
- Leave a message on their cell phones. Staff can check cell messages while out of the office and are more likely to return your call faster.
- If you prefer, leave a message on the church answering system.

**CHECK THE COMMUNITY BOARD** - East Entrance  
(take-home fliers often available)



- June 12 - Ice Cream Social at Our Savior's in Bird Island

JUNE 1, 2014

# taking GOD'S STORY home

## **SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK**

Think the same way that Christ Jesus thought. – Philippians 2:5 (CEV)

## **PRAYER FOR THE WEEK**

Lord Jesus, the apostle Paul challenges us to be like you—being humble and not doing anything out of selfish purposes. But I know myself, and I can't do these things without your presence. Send your Holy Spirit into my heart and life every day, so I might be more like you. Amen.

## **A BLESSING TO SHARE**

*Mark another person's forehead with the sign of the cross as you say this Easter blessing:*

Jesus is the resurrection and the life, and that life has been promised to you. Amen.

## **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

Paul's list of what it means to "think the same way that Christ Jesus thought" (Philippians 2:5, CEV) reveals that he knew well the stories and teachings of Jesus. As you read this week's Bible readings, take time to ponder this: *What is Jesus doing in this passage and how might I follow this example in my own life?*

If your household includes younger children, you might want to use a child-friendly Bible like the *Spark! Picture Bible* (Augsburg Fortress) or *The Jesus Storybook Bible* (Zondervan; available from the Vibrant Faith Ministries online store, [www.vibrantfaith.org](http://www.vibrantfaith.org)).

Sunday	Philippians 2:1-13	Have the same mind as Christ
Monday	John 1:35-46	Come and see Jesus
Tuesday	John 6:1-14	Jesus feeds 5,000 people
Wednesday	John 11:32-35	Jesus cries in grief
Thursday	John 13:1-17	Jesus washes his disciples' feet
Friday	John 13:31-35; 15:9-17	Jesus gives a new commandment
Saturday	John 19:25-27	Jesus establishes a bigger family
Sunday	Acts 2:1-21	The birthday of the church

## CARING CONVERSATIONS

In this week's reading from Philippians 2, Paul lists characteristics of Jesus and challenges his readers to live in a similar way. Recall times you felt you were able to respond to a situation in an unselfish way. Discuss: *When you read Paul's list in Philippians 2:1-13, which way of being or acting is the biggest challenge for you? How might someone else help you stay accountable to living in ways that reflect Jesus' ways?*

## DEVOTIONS

Continue your Easter worship by gathering everyone in your household for devotions. The following basic pattern can be your guide:

- **Gathering Prayer.** Light a candle to help you focus on the presence of the risen Christ. Pray the "Prayer for the Week."
- **Caring Conversations.** Take a moment to discuss the ideas and questions in "Caring Conversations."
- **Daily Bible Reading.** Read aloud the Bible passage suggested for the day. *What do you want to remember from this reading?*
- **Blessing to Share.** Bless another person, using "A Blessing to Share."

Try having devotions at different times, perhaps after school or while you eat dinner. In what ways can you connect with other people for devotions if you live alone?

## SERVICE

Any time we are invited to serve God by serving others, we are being invited to live out Paul's "Jesus List" from Philippians 2:1-13. As you read the Daily Bible Readings for this week, jot down ideas of ways you might serve God by serving other people. Choose one idea to carry out this week. What will you need to do make this happen?

## RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

One of the oldest Easter traditions is for Christians to exchange this greeting by alternating lines: *Jesus Christ is risen today! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!* During this final week of the Easter season, exchange this greeting at the beginning of your devotions.

## Philippians 2:1-13

**Key Verses:** “Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

Philippians 2:9-11

**Time:** 54-61 CE

**Background:** This Philippians text includes what might be the oldest Christian hymn in existence. The hymn lifted up what it meant to be in the same mind with Christ. These qualities included surrender, humility, and obedience. Because of these things, God exalted Jesus so that all things in heaven and on earth would praise and honor him. By emulating Christ we too, can honor God and be honored by God.

Paul encouraged the Philippians to live into the kind of life described in the hymn so that God would be honored through their work and their lives.

**Community:** What are the top values our culture esteems for success? How do they work for or against surrender, humility, and obedience? How do culture’s top values fit into Jesus’ plan for our lives?

**At Home:** What hymn or Bible verse best describes your faith life? Has it been so for a while? Is it time for a change, or does this still ring true for you?

### Read This Week:

Monday, Jun 2, *The Promise of the Holy Spirit*, Acts 1:1-5

Tuesday, Jun 3, *The Ascension of Jesus*, Acts 1:6-11

Wednesday, Jun 4, *Matthias Chosen to Replace Judas*, Acts 1:12-26

Thursday, Jun 5, *The First Converts*, Acts 2:37-42

Friday, Jun 6, *Life Among the Believers*, Acts 2:43-47

Saturday, Jun 7, *Peter Heals a Crippled Beggar*, Acts 3:1-10

**Next Week:** Sunday, Jun 8, *Pentecost*, Acts 2:1-21 (or Philippians 4:4-7)