

Mar 22	Worship NO Sunday School Ham Dinner Activate Faith	8:30am / 10:30am 11:15am -1:15pm 5:30pm
Mon	Office is closed Ruth Circle at Parkview Library reserved	 1:30pm 6-8pm
Tues	Men's Bible Study	6:15am / 7am
Wed	Lent Service WOW, WeeWOW and choirs Soup Supper Confirmation	7:00pm 3:15-4:30pm 5:30-6:30pm 7:00pm
Thurs	Quilters Dorcas Circle	9:00am 9:30am
Sat	Activate Faith Palm Sunday Worship	10:00am 5:30pm
Mar 29	Palm Sunday Worship Sunday School Palm Sunday Breakfast Activate Faith	8:30am / 10:30am 5:30pm

Activities and times change periodically.
Please check the website calendar at crossofcalvary.net. It is updated daily.



Coming up

- 1 NO Wednesday Programming
- 4 NO Saturday Service
- 5 NO Sunday School
- 6 Office Closed
- 11 Bridal Shower – Becky Thiesse
- 15 Follower deadline
- 19 Commissioning – Sarah Hausken
- 22 Spaghetti Dinner
- 23 Dorcas Circle

LENT	
Wed Lent services	7pm
HOLY WEEK	
Matens (M-F)	7am
Maundy Thursday	noon/7pm
Good Friday	7pm
Easter Sunday	6:30/9:00am

- 23 CCNI Class For Day
Care Providers
- 27 Ruth Circle

Change the Date



Prepare the FOLLOWER
Tuesday, March 31 at 12:30

MARCH VOLUNTEERS

Communion 8:30 – E Skeie 10:30 – A Thompson

Altar Guild D Beckler, M Rauenhorst, K O’Neil

Acolytes E Iverson, M Steffel

Ushers 8:30 – K Elfering, G Helin, R Sigurdson, R Elbert
10:30 – D Altmann, D Beckler

thank
you!

PRAYERS OF HEALING & STRENGTH

Prayer for	Submitted by	Prayer for	Submitted by
Leslie Sagedahl	<i>D Sagedahl</i>	Megan Hoffman	<i>K Barta</i>
Athena Krueger	<i>S Grasmon</i>	Sue McNamara	<i>A Suess</i>
Diana Adkins	<i>B Hennen</i>	Nancy Berry	<i>B Beckman</i>
Jon Hackmann	<i>M Hackmann</i>	Nick Alton	<i>S Alton</i>
Nancy Haney	<i>M Hausken</i>	Gloria Franzen	<i>S Triplett</i>
Tonia Otto	<i>P Aalderks</i>	Twyla Kelly	<i>S Alton</i>
Leo Mallak	<i>C Mallak</i>	McKenya Egge	<i>B Egge</i>
Vonna Ledeboer	<i>A Ledeboer</i>		

Military – Benjamin Johnson and Andy Lange

Missionaries – The Kevin & Rebekah Howell family - Paraguay
Paul and Jay Mikaelson - Bolivia

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING



30 Pieces of Silver

On Maundy Thursday, April 2, please bring 30 pieces of silver (any combination of nickels, dimes and quarters) for a special offering for Olivia’s House of Hope

BAKED HAM DINNER TODAY

Ticket donations go toward building improvements and missions. Supplemental funds provided by Thrivent. Take-outs until 12:45

Adults \$10.00 (10 and over)

Youth \$5.00 (9 and under)

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. Never feel as though you are bothering Pastor or the staff. We are here to serve as a comfort and as a resource.

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.



Weather and Worship. Cross of Calvary does not cancel worship in case of inclement weather since Pastor lives next door. However, PLEASE make wise choices about being on the road when the weather is bad. May the Lord watch over your travels.

Membership Update

Please offer a small amount of your time to save the staff HOURS AND HOURS of reviewing data and updating information for over 900 members!

ELECTRONIC submission is ongoing.

If you did not receive the link to the online registration, please email crossofcalvary@gmail.com, and Laurie will get it to you.

PAPER submission

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE EMAIL, you may submit a paper form. These are available in the Narthex. Please put your completed form in the mailbox by the office door.

Remember:

- Data from the old program will NOT be transferred in order to insure that we will have your most current information.
- All communication will be sent out using the new program.
- Remember, if we hold the church records for your *adult children*, their information needs to be included also.

125th Anniversary Celebration!

November 1, 2015

New Directory! *Natashia Johnson, Sandy Whited, Amanda Malvin, Laurie Schultze, Annmarie Suess*

History Book / Display! Pastor Matt is really excited about this one...so excited he's going to head up the committee. Let's not leave Pastor as a committee of just one. Give him a call at 320-579-0839.
Planning: Matt Hausken, Gordy Blem, Cheryl Mallak, _____

Special Worship Service! What might we include in worship to make this thanksgiving celebration special? Pastor would LOVE your ideas.
Planning: _____, _____, _____, _____

Catered Meal!! Wow, how easy is the planning for this going to be? Get together with a couple friends/family and jump into this project. Give Pastor or Laurie a call.
Planning: _____, _____, _____, _____



Saturday,
March 28, 9:00 am
Nester Park and
Faith Methodist Church

Ages 0- 8 - Bring your families!



- ◆ Easter Message
- ◆ Easter Egg Hunt at Nester Park
- ◆ Free Pancake Breakfast with Sausage, Orange Juice and Coffee at Faith Methodist Church

Questions? Call Sarah 523-6318
sarah@ccocmn.org
www.ccocmn.org

**Cross of Calvary Youth
Spring Plant Sale**

2015

Buyer Name _____

Phone _____

Youth Seller _____

Hanging Baskets - \$22.00 each

For Sunny Spots

Ivy Geranium Number _____

Red _____

Pink _____

Lavender _____

Wave Petunia

Light Pink _____

Dark Pink _____

Dark Purple _____

Pansies

Mixed Colors _____

For Shady Spots

Impatiens Number _____

Red _____

Pink _____

Violet _____

Begonias

Pink _____

Orange _____

Yellow _____

Fushia

Bi-color _____

Orders can be picked up on:

Fri. May 8, 4:30-7:30 pm

Sat. May 9, 8-10 a.m.

Or make arrangements w/seller

Total Hanging Baskets

Number _____

x \$22.00 _____

Total Potted Plants

Number _____

8" X \$16 _____

12" X \$26 _____

Total Plants _____

Total Paid _____

(Please collect money with order)

Potted Geraniums

8" Potted Geranium - \$16.00

Red _____

Pink _____

12" Potted Geranium - \$26.00

Red _____

Pink _____

Thrivent Choice Dollars. March 31st is the last date to designate your Thrivent Choice Dollars.



Bridal Shower

Please join us for a come and go shower for
Rebecca Thiesse, bride of Mark Revier.
April 11th, 10:00 A.M. until noon at Cross of
Calvary.



Reminder, the office is closed on
Mon, March 23rd & Mon, April 6th.

Be a Winner - Chicken Dinner! Kiwanis for Kids

A fun fundraiser to help kids in our community

Tuesday, March 24 · 2015

4:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Master's Coffee Shop/CCOC

Downtown Olivia



- **Free Will Donation Meal: Fried Chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, bread, green beans dessert & beverage**
- **Silent Auction (ends @ 7:00)**
- **Live Entertainment - Karaoke with Greg "the Lip" Lippert**

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



- Smelt Fry at United Lutheran Church, Lake Lillian. Mar 27
- St. Mary's School Egg and Ham Brunch, March 29. 10 am - 1 pm
- Woodbury Chorus and Orchestra at St. Al's, Apr 12. 4pm. Free will offering for the Renville County Foodshelf

God's Story Your Story

March 22, 2015

Devotion: Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions. You can do this alone, as a couple, as a family; in the morning, during the day, or at night. Find a routine that works best for you.

Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer. **God of the nameless, you walk among us in the shoes of those who are hungry, poor, naked, and in prison. Help us to see and care for you, for the glory of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Reflect: Reflect on the key verses from Sunday's reading. *[Jesus said,] "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'" Matthew 25:37-40*

Study: Study the reading and consider the background. Jesus told this parable to help people see God in the faces of those we typically would not acknowledge; the hungry, thirsty, poor, naked, sick, and imprisoned. Jesus was intentional about indicating that we are expected to act. Our world has needs, and our actions are crucial to creating in this world an environment that more closely resembles the kingdom God intended for this world.

Read: Read the following daily readings to deepen your understanding of Sunday's text. After the reading, ask the follow-up questions. **Follow the parables and teachings of Jesus, as Jesus moved ever closer to the cross.**

Sunday, Matthew 25:31-46, *Last Judgment*

Monday, Psalm 98:7-9, *Psalm*

Tuesday, Matthew 24:29-51, *Teachings of Jesus*

Wednesday, Matthew 25:14-30, *Parables of Jesus*

Thursday, Matthew 26:1-5, *The Plot to Kill Jesus*

Friday, Matthew 26:6-13, *The Anointing at Bethany*

Saturday, Matthew 26:14-16, *Judas Agrees to Betray Jesus*

How did the actions of Jesus and his disciples lead him toward the cross?

Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household. Discuss the following questions, or simply check in with “Highs” and “Lows.”


- What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?
- What are some signs you observe in today’s culture that indicate we are in need of Jesus’ presence now more than ever? How would Jesus be received if he walked on the earth today?
- In what ways have you betrayed Jesus? How could you make a change so that Jesus is first in your life?

Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God’s word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Do one of the following this week: feed the hungry or thirsty, welcome a stranger, give clothing to those in need, visit someone who is sick or in prison. Notice how serving others affects you.

Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

God who is found in the least of these, by your word, shape our hearts and vision to look for you in humble circumstance. Amen.

Take Note:  *Something from the service that speaks to you?
A reminder from the announcements?*