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Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

1103 W. Chestnut Ave. Olivia, MN 320-523-1574

November 19, 2017



Cross of Calvary is the ELCA church in Olivia. We are an intergenerational (fancy word for young and old) community that follows Jesus out the building to where we live. We are all learners (disciples) here. This is a safe place to practice worship. And, believe us, it takes practice. Your questions, critical thinking, doubts and imperfect lives are welcome here.

Holy Communion

Holy Communion is open to all who are baptized and trust that Christ is present in the meal, regardless of your tradition or affiliation. Wine (red)/grape juice (white).

Participation

Bold type means all of us read or pray together. Out loud. * Please stand as you are able.

Children in Church

They belong here! They are hearing God's Word, music and prayers. We don't mind fidgeting and chatter! If you like, there are activity bags available in the entry.

Announcements

They are as printed or any new information please give to Pastor Matt prior to worship, please hand a note to Pastor with any announcements, including prayer requests.

Restrooms

They are located in the hallway to the left of the stairs.

NOVEMBER WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION 8:30 – Bobbi Kopel

10:30 – Dana Boen

USHERS 8:30 – Ron, Becky & Reed Nelson

10:30 – Tom & DeeAnne Newville

ACOLYTES: Cam Larson & Madison Zupke

ALTAR GUILD: Jill Hanson & Dawn Gluesing

VOLUNTEER: Would you like to lead a Children's message or read the Bible readings during worship? Please, sign up on "The Board" in the Narthex,



Prayer Concerns

Prayer Matters!

Please take your bulletin home and pray for those listed.

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.

*Diana Adkins*Jill Revolinski*Jenna Reynolds*Vonna Ledeboer*Warren Mitchell*Barb Gomarko*Jane Johnson*Emily Schueler*Kent Kircher*June Lynn*Joy Adkins*Family of McKenya Egge*McKenya Egge from the BOLD class of 2021 – Fly high McKenya 11-

*Leslie Sagedahl

- *Emily Reetz
- *Cleve Fults
- *Janice Gass
- *Florence Malecek

*McKenya Egge from the BOLD class of 2021 – Fly high McKenya 11-15-2017 may you be with us forever in our memories

Things happening at Cross of Calvary: November 19-26

November 18 & 19 - Gideon Worship

- November 18 Flemming & Lundstrum wedding
- November 20 Fellowship Hall used for tying blankets
- November 26 Decorating the Sanctuary at 4:00 pm



Thanksgiving Week

November 22nd – Worship at 7:00 pm November 25th – No Worship November 26th – 9:00 am Worship only



11/22 – No after school programs

Opportunities to Serve

We invite you to consider offering your time and talent in Jesus' name through one of these opportunities to serve:

- Provide a snack for 20 WOW kids on Wednesday after school
- Provide breakfast for 10 Breakfast Club youth on a Thursday morning
- Provide supper for 25 Confirmation students on a Wednesday evening
- Help with the 1-3rd grade after school program the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 3-5 pm



PIZZA PICK UP

Date: November 19th Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm Place: Cross of Calvary south door

November CCOC Healthy snacks and volunteers It's Cross of Calvary's month!!!

Cross of Calvary is in charge of CCOC snacks for the month of November.

We have collected a wonderful amount of money for the CCOC.

The CCOC is also looking for volunteers to help. They are asking for you to help between 3:00-5:30, anytime or days would help.

Come as often as you like and stay as long as you can.

Contact: Brian Anderson by email: bryan@ccocmn.org

Decorating the Sanctuary for Christmas

Sure could use some extra help on Sunday, November 26th starting at 4:00 with decorating. Our Sanctuary always looks beautiful for Christmas, but many hands are needed.





November 19, 2017 Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions



Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer. O God of all ages, you have never forgotten us. Renew in us your vision of your people restored, and fire us up to bring about your will on earth. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Read: Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.



6For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Isaiah's glowing prophecy may sound like an impossible fantasy for a people under so many years of oppression. But no matter how long the wait, God never breaks a promise.

Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.



What was a high point of your day? What was a low point? What does your name say about you? What do your nicknames say about you? What do these names for Jesus say about Jesus? Wonder: What name/s would Jesus take on today? How would these names effect change in the world?



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing. May God call you by name. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive.Do the following activity this week.Google your name. What pops up? What do these say about you?



Go Deeper: Go to clergystuff.com/daily-devotions for devotions on the daily readings. Sunday, Isaiah 9:1-7, Isaiah: A Child Is Born Monday, Isaiah 11:1-9, The Peaceful Kingdom Tuesday, Isaiah 22:1-14, A Warning of Destruction of Jerusalem, Wednesday, Isaiah 25:1-12, Praise for Deliverance from Oppression Thursday, Isaiah 27:1-11, Israel's Redemption Friday, Isaiah 30:8-17, A Rebellious People Saturday, Isaiah 32:16-20, The Peace of God's Reign Please pray for our Missionaries Paraguay Missionaries The Kevin & Rebekah Howell family Bolivia Missionaries Paul and Jay Mikaelson House

Women's Bible Study: Days to meet are Sunday at 9:30 am, Tuesdays at 7:30 pm and Thursdays at 8:15 am. Note in time change: October 31st the meeting time is 8:30 pm. Also, there will be no Bible Study the week of November 19 - 25.

The Spirit of Santa's Closet: Dignity & Respect, Smiles, Happiness = Christmas Joy. Santa's Closet of Renville County welcomes all kinds of donations. See Bulletin Board in the entry way for more information. Distributions will run from Dec. 1-19.

CHURCH and COMMUNITY EVENTS

CHECK THE BULLETIN BOARD or east bulletin board for more information /details

Zion Lutheran Church at 228 NW 5th Street, Buffalo Lake is hosting a Lutefisk/Swedish Meatball Supper: Sunday, November 19th, serving 4:30 - 6:30 pm. Menu: Lutefisk, Swedish Meatballs with mushroom gravy, corn, boiled potatoes, coleslaw, cream sauce and melted butter, lefse and dessert. Adults: \$15.00, Ages 5-12 \$8.00 and 4 years and under: Free. Family style dining plus take outs available.

The CCOC is looking for volunteers to help with its Thanksgiving Dinner. We need volunteers on Wednesday, November 22nd at St. Aloysius starting at 2pm to help peel potatoes and debone turkeys (bring a peeler with you). We also need volunteers the day of the dinner to help serve meal, deliver meals, etc. If you are willing to help and or volunteer either of these days please call 320-523-6318 or email saraa@ccocmn.org

The CCOC Thanksgiving Dinner is Thanksgiving day and is free will offering. We serve over 200 dine in meals and deliver over 100 meals to folks in the surrounding community. We serve, empty nesters, widows, and sometimes whole families. We also deliver meals to those who are working or can't leave their homes. Already have plans for Thanksgiving? What about your neighbor? Will they be with family or alone? Everyone is part of the CCOC family, especially on Thanksgiving Day. If you know of someone who would like to have a meal delivered, please have them call 320-523-6318. All are welcome to come!

Calvary Lutheran Church of Willmar extends an invitation to its Advent Festival open hose on December -3. Ours are 1-6pm Friday & Saturday and 12-4 pm n Sunday Families and people fall ages are welcomed. This year's theme is "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come. Their music I the sanctuary ad rooms decorated around the theme. End your visit with light refreshments in the fellowship hall. NO admission charge. Calvary seeks to share the joy, hope and inspiration of Christmas with all who attend.

RCHS Events (Renville County Historical Society's)

2017 Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser, Sunday, November, 19, 2017 - Morton Senior Center 230 N Main St, Morton from 9 AM - 11:30 AM Ages 13 & Older \$8 * Ages 3-12 \$5 * Ages 2 & Under FREE Proceeds benefit the Renville County Historical Society

Bazaar updates:

Cutout cookie decorating will be in the fellowship hall on Friday, Dec. 1st at 1 pm. The guilting ladies are generously willing to help with this, and invite others to join them! It will be a fun time of fellowship and possible nibbling. ;)

That evening, there will be lefse making at the parsonage at 6 pm. This has been an annual tradition of making lefse for the bazaar, which is always a big seller! Whether you've been making lefse for years or don't even know what it is, you're invited to join in. If you have lefse making equipment, please bring it. If you know how to make lefse dough, please bring two batches. Otherwise, just bring yourself! There is also the possibility of nibbling at this event.

Thank you to everyone for your help for this great event!

CROSS OF CALVARY **23RD ANNUAL** WFLAKE BAZAAR BRUNCH EVERYONE \$7.00 **Includes scrambled Eggs.** WELCOME! Sausage, Rolls, Coffee & Juice BAKE SALE WHEN Cookies by the Dozen Sunday. December 3rd lefse Krum Kaka **Candies & Baked Goods** 9:30 am – 12:30 pm **Too many to mention!** Please feel free to worship with us at 8:30 a m **CRAFTS** & HOME DECOR WHERE **Cross of Calvary** Unique handcrafted home décor and crafts for sale! **Lutheran Church** RAFFLE 1101 West Chestnut Avenue, Olivia, MK EMS Tickets are only \$1.00! WWW.CROSSOFCALVARY.NFT Tickets are available for purchase at the event and will be If you would like to donate, please contact Dana Boen; drawn the same day. Need not be

present to win.

E-mail: danaraeboen@gmail.com

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Sharing Special Music at Christmas

If you are considering providing special music at the Sunday School Service on Dec. 17, or at the Christmas Eve service(s) on Dec. 24, please help the organist, pianist, tech people, office and Pastor with preparations. Simply fill out the form found below, or in the Follower, then submit it to office by the due date noted. Thanks!!

NAME_____

Cell /Home phone_____

Sunday School Program	Christmas Eve
(Preschool – grade 12)	(HS and adults)
Dec 17 10:30	Dec 24 please circle 4:30 or 9:00
The following must be COMPLETED by – Dec 3	The following must be COMPLETED by – Dec 12
Your piece is selected, and you have the music in hand. YES or NO Title:	Your piece is selected, and you have the music in hand. YES or NO Title:
It is a LEGAL copy? YES or NO Do you need the church to help you obtain a legal copy? YES or NO	It is a LEGAL copy? YES or NO Do you need the church to help you obtain a legal copy? YES or NO
Are others performing with you, and it is confirmed. YES or NO Names:	Are others performing with you, and it is confirmed. YES or NO Names:
You have contacted an accompanist, and it is confirmed. YES NO NA Name:	You have contacted an accompanist, and it is confirmed. YES NO NA Name:
Do you need microphones? YES or NO How many?	Do you need microphones? YES or NO How many?
Do you need music or video run though the tech system? YES or NO	Do you need music or video run though the tech system? YES or NO
You have arranged for a rehearsal time with the accompanist and the office. YES or NO	You have arranged for a rehearsal time with the accompanist and the office. YES or NO

Please notify Jill Hanson if you would like to share your talents during the Sunday School Christmas Program.

"Your church offering information"

We are grateful for the help to meet our ministry needs. "Thank you for sharing your blessings in all the ways you do."

- Our church needs \$22,500 a month to meet our budget adopted at the annual meeting
- Last month we received \$18,427
- Our membership's 2017 offering is behind \$27,000 to date to operate the church.

Year-to-date receipts given	\$170,246
Year-to-date receipts needed for our budget	\$223 <i>,</i> 852
General Fund checking balance as of 1-1-17	\$59 <i>,</i> 904
General Fund checking balance as of 10-31-17	\$33,651

Currents needs at the church above the monthly budget are:

- 1. New boiler at the parsonage.
- 2. New West entrance doors.

-these two projects are in need of replacements, we have received bids for the replacement at Boiler: between \$5,000 - \$6,000 and Doors: \$4,800.

Thank you for considering a donation to these projects!!