

Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

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

January 7, 2018



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.

**Offering Envelopes will be available the 2nd week of January!!
Sorry for the delay!!**





Worship Times

Saturday: 5:30 PM

Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30

Coffee Hour

Sunday: 9:30 AM

Sunday School

Sunday: 9:30 AM

Building Hours

Mon-Thurs

8:30-7:00

Fri-Sun 8:30-2:00

Office Hours

Mon, Tues, and Thurs.;

8:30-3:00

Wednesday 8:30-4:00

Friday 8:30-2:00

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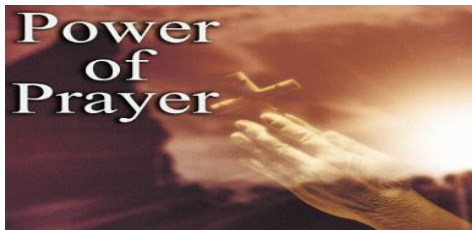
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Admin: Sue Altmann

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The week of January 7-14, 2018

Today	Worship	8:30 & 10:30 am
Monday	Library reserved	6:00-8:00 pm
Tuesday	Men's Bible Study	6:15/7:00 am
	Jesus Justice League	3:15
Wednesday	WOW	3:15 pm
	Confirmation	6:30 pm
Thursday	Quilters	9:00 am
Saturday	Service	5:30 pm
Sunday	Service	8:30 & 10:30 am



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.

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| *Diana Adkins | *Jill Revolinski | *Leslie Sagedahl |
| *Jenna Reynolds | *Emily Reetz | *Kent Kircher |
| *Barb Gomarko | *Cleve Fults | *Laura Wacek |
| *Donna Greenwell | *Janice Gass | *Mike Abrahamson |
| *Jolynda Luckey | *Bob Erickson | *Ron Hamborg |
| *Jen Beckler | *Audrey Skeie | |

Annual Congregational Meeting

January 21, 2018 at 9:30 am

Please have all reports to the office by January 15th. Thank you!

Annual Report Committee & Financial Reports

I'm writing to make sure everyone is getting ready for the Annual Meeting which will be held on Sunday, January 21st.

I need the following reports from the following committees:

Committee Review Reports

Youth Board and Family Ministry

Equipping the Congregation

Outreach

Administration

Financial Reports

Financial Secretary

Altar Guild

Snowflake Bazaar -received (Dana Boen)

Endowment Fund

Lutheran Church Men

Youth Account

Memorial Fund

I truly appreciate your cooperation in getting these reports to me by January 15th so that I have time to prepare the full packets. I would also appreciate it if whomever will be the responsible person for these reports, please email/call me so that I may be aware. That way if things come up, I'll know who to go too directly.

Thank you so very much and I anxiously wait to hear from you all. Remember, preferred deadline – January 15th.

Sue Altmann

Office Administrator

Several Elected Positions need filling

With the Annual Meeting later this month, the nominating committee is seeking individuals who might be interested in a variety of positions within the church setting. Please prayerfully consider serving on Church Council, Auditing Committee, Nominating Committee, Endowment Fund, Congregational Representatives to the Synod Assembly, or as representatives to the annual meeting of Gustavus College Member Congregations. If you would like more information or your name on the ballot, please contact Heather Thompson ([320-894-3041](tel:320-894-3041) or hmthompson2@gmail.com), Tami Stovern ([320-295-6925](tel:320-295-6925) or tstovern3@hotmail.com) or Jessie Lothert ([320-894-8919](tel:320-894-8919) or jessica_dresser@yahoo.com).



Women's Bible Study: Days to meet are Sunday at 9:30 am, Tuesdays at 7:30 pm and Thursdays at 8:15 am.



Quilters meet on Thursdays at 9:00 am. Come join!!!

Green Lake Lutheran Ministries Middle School Lock In

6-8th graders are invited to join staff at Green Lake Bible Camp for a lock-in at the Chrysalis House! The plans include: door prizes, a Minute to Win It competition, tie dye and crafts, a snowman building contest, a movie, devotionals, night games, pizza and a song-fest worship. Bring your friends for a fun night at camp! - Fee: \$45 to register, contact Karen at (320)796-2181 to register online, visit www.gllm.org and click on "Register for Camp" - sign in and click the retreats registration. You may access your youth account to pay for this retreat.

Grades 9-12 Lock-In

Date: January 21-22

Anyone is invited to attend, even if you are not a member of Cross of Calvary

TIM Team is looking for 6 chaperones: 2 per shift (8:30-11:00 PM) (11:00-3:00 AM) and (3:00-5:30 AM)

Please contact Jeni Skeie if you would like to volunteer!!!

Sign-up sheet is on the "Youth Board", forms must be turned in by January 14 (Youth Office).

Are you ready for the Super Bowl?

It may be time for pizza! It's an easy and delicious food to serve as you watch the greatest game of football!

Order forms and money must be turned into the church office by Friday, January 19th at noon.

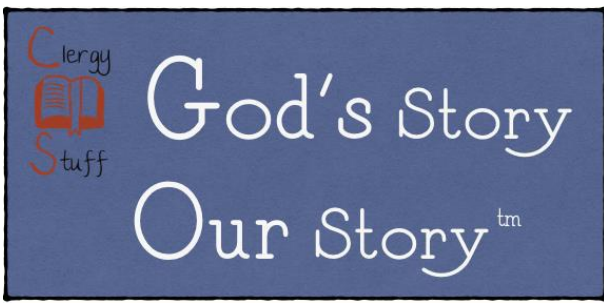


PIZZA PICK UP

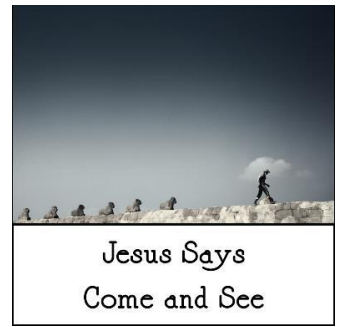
Date: February 2nd

Time: 5:00 ad 6:30 pm

Place: Cross of Calvary



January 7



Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

Holy Lord, your word is compelling and your authority apparent. Draw us to yourself, and lead us forth in faith, to follow in your servant footsteps. In Jesus' name, Amen.



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

38When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" 39He said to them, "Come and see." (John 1:38-39)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

John's proclamation begins to take hold as Jesus attracts his first followers. They are already impressed by what they see in their new leader, but they couldn't possibly be prepared for what is to come.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

In what ways, do you abide with Jesus? How do you emulate him?

How much time do you spend with Jesus throughout the week?

Wonder: Why did people leave everything to follow Jesus? What would I be willing to leave to follow? What would be hard to leave?



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God abide with you, day in and day out. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive.

Do the following activity this week.

Go to the thrift shop and buy a pair of shoes in your size. Wear them all week. Every time you notice you are wearing different shoes, remember you have been invited to walk with and emulate Jesus.



Go Deeper: Go to clergystuff.com/daily-devotions for devotions on the daily readings.

Sunday, John 1:35-51, Jesus Says Come and See

Monday, Psalm 66:1-5, Praise for God's Goodness to Israel

Tuesday, Psalm 66:6-7, Praise for God's Goodness to Israel

Wednesday, Psalm 66:8-12, Praise for God's Goodness to Israel

Thursday, Psalm 66:13-15, Praise for God's Goodness to Israel

Friday, Psalm 66:16-19, Praise for God's Goodness to Israel

Saturday, Psalm 66:20, Praise for God's Goodness to Israel

JANUARY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION 8:30 – Jill Hanson
10:30 – DeeAnne Newville

USHERS 8:30 – Greg Mertens, Trey Mertens, Bill Kopel & Jeff Keltgen
10:30 – **HELP NEEDED: 2 Ushers for the 10:30 am service in January!!**

ACOLYTES: Jack Iverson & Noah Boen

ALTAR GUILD: Ronda Berg & Tami Stovern

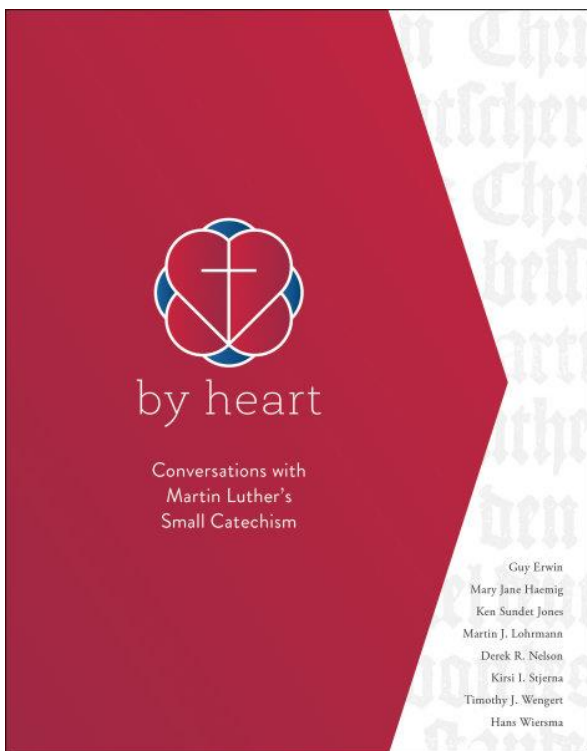


Food Shelf has an urgent need of additional volunteers

At least 5-6 current volunteers representing 88 volunteer hours per month are experiencing a variety of health issues that prevent them from helping at the FS or driving to get there. If any of your members would consider, as Mary Ann Lewis, FS officer said, "stand in the gaps", they may contact Mary Ann at 320-523-5339 or email: mlewis1@mediacombbb.net. It can be overwhelming to the current staff and your prayers are also asked for.

If you could present this information by announcements at church services and/or in your newsletters it would be appreciated. Volunteer's hours are flexible (some helping one/month, some once/week) and would fall into the Food Shelf Hours listed below:

Mondays: 12:45pm - 3:15pm
Tuesdays: 9:45am - 3:15pm
Wednesdays: 9:45am - 3:15pm
Thursdays: 4:45pm - 7:15pm
Fridays: 12:45pm - 3:15pm



2018 Lenten Study

This study will be an in-depth exploration of the Small Catechism. The guide will generate meaningful conversations about the biblical and historical context of the Small Catechisms, its link to the church's faith, and its connection to Luther's life and your life today.

Dates: February 14 (Ash Wednesday)- March 28 (7sessions)

Time: 6:00 PM on Wednesday

Location: Church Library

Please sign up to attend and for a book.

(On "The Board")