



# Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

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

## 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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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.

**Giving statements have been mailed!**

## **Electronic Giving!!**

**You will notice something new in the pews: a green card that you can put in the offering plate to indicate that you gave your offering electronically.**

**If interested: set up electronic giving at [crossofcalvary.net](http://crossofcalvary.net)**

## **The week of January 28-February 4, 2018**

<b>Today</b>	Worship	8:30 & 10:30 am
	Baptismal Reunion	
<b>Monday</b>	Library reserved	6:00-8:00 pm
	Fellowship Hall used	3:00-8:00 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	Men's Bible Study	6:15/7:00 am
<b>Wednesday</b>	WOW	3:15 pm
	Confirmation	6:30 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Quilters	9:00 am
Friday	Distribute Pizza	5:00 – 6:00 pm
<b>Saturday</b>	Service	5:30 pm
<b>Sunday</b>	Service	8:30 & 10:30 am



## **Prayer Request**

### **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

\*Leslie Sagedahl

\*Jenna Reynolds

\*Emily Reetz

\*Kent Kircher

\*Barb Gomarko

\*Cleve Fults

\*Laura Wacek

\*Donna Greenwell

\*Jen Beckler

\*Keith Beckler

\*Jolynda Luckey

\*Family of Ron Hamborg

\*Isabella (Izzy) Sullivan

# Youth News

**March 11 is Girl Scout Sunday.** Girl Scouts are welcome to usher, read, share special music etc. They will also be providing the coffee hour and treats. The coffee offering will go toward their silver project. They are making and teaching others to make fleece tie blankets for Santa's Closet and Lutheran World Relief. They will also have a box available for dropping off fleece donations.

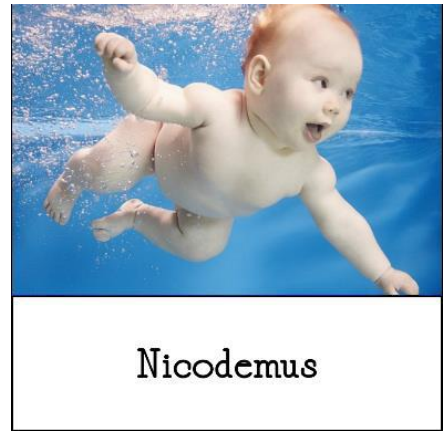
**The Senior High Youth Gathering** is March 9-10 in Alexandria, MN at the Lake Geneva Christian Center for youth grades 9-12. The theme this year is "Undeniably known" and theme verse from 1 Corinthians 13:12. Cost will be \$65 for Cross of Calvary members and \$95 for friends.

**Summer Camp registration is coming up.** Early deadlines will be in February 16. Stay tuned for Camp Sunday! Camp information is on the back table by the youth board, or online at [www.gllm.org](http://www.gllm.org)



Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday will be coming soon on February 4th. Remember to start saving your change (coins). The WOW kids will be collecting nonperishable food items and cash on Sunday, February 4th. Thank you!!!

January 28



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



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

Light of the World, nothing can be hidden from you. Shed light on all the corners of our lives, and make us honest to bring our whole selves to you. In Jesus' name, Amen.



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

*3Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." (John 3:3)*



**Reflect:** Reflect on the scripture summary.

A Jewish leader seeks Jesus under cover of night to ask him the questions which plague his mind, safe from the criticism of his colleagues. What he gets is an education in keeping things hidden.



**Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.  
What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?**

In baptism, we die to the old self to be born anew. What needs to die within you so that God can create new life there?  
Wonder: What would I ask Jesus if I could meet him in the middle of the night?



**Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.  
May God give you new life. Amen.**



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

Go swimming. It's January, so you will have to find an indoor pool. Try a local Y or a nearby hotel. As you swim out of season, consider Jesus' blessings given in baptism.



**Go Deeper: Go to [clergystuff.com/daily-devotions](http://clergystuff.com/daily-devotions) for devotions on the daily readings.**

**Sunday, John 3:1-21, Nicodemus**

**Monday, John 3:22-30, Jesus and John the Baptist**

**Tuesday, John 3:31-36, The One Who Comes from Heaven**

**Wednesday, Psalm 139:1-6, The Inescapable God**

**Thursday, Psalm 139:7-12, The Inescapable God**

**Friday, Psalm 139:13-18, The Inescapable God**

**Saturday, Psalm 139:19-24, The Inescapable God**

# Cross of Calvary News

## **BAKED HAM DINNER**

**Sunday, March 18, 2018 11:00 am – 1:00pm**



The service group chair people will be calling and asking for workers and to bring desserts. We appreciate everyone's help....it takes many hands to make this event so successful!

Thanks again in advance!

If you are a Thrivent member, Thrivent Choice Dollars: March 31st is the last date to designate your Dollars

**Our New women's study will be the book "Keep It Shut"** (What to say, how to say it and when to say nothing at all) by Karen Ehman. If people are interested, books and study guides can be ordered on your own or check to see if the library has available copies. We will begin Tuesday, February 13, at 7:00pm and Thursday, February 15 at 8:15am. If you need help ordering please contact Jeni

**Storage needed:** We are looking for someone to store the benches on the south/western side of the building. If you are able to move and store them for the winter, please let Sue know who took them & stored them.



### **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@mediacombb.net](mailto:mlewis1@mediacombb.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

**Adult Grief Support Group** will begin on February 5, 2018. If you know of anyone who might benefit from this kind of support, please offer them the information on the east bulletin board.

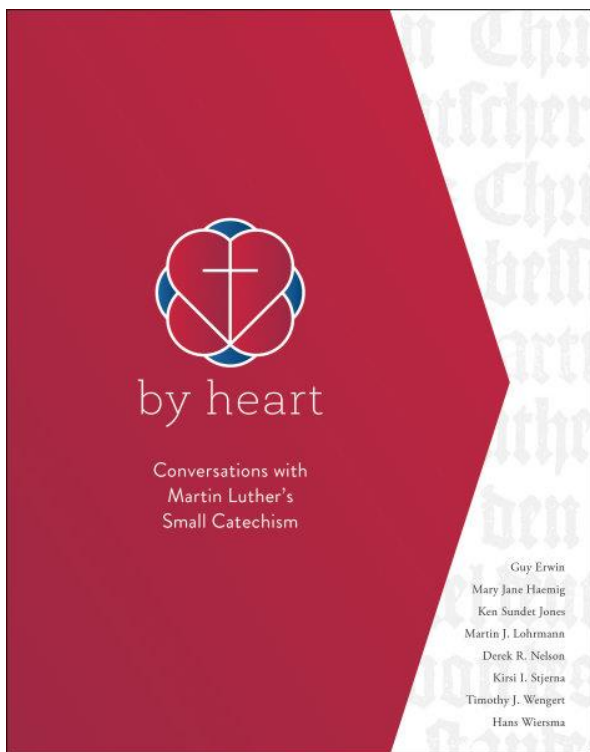
### **Build a Burger Fundraiser**

Olivia American Legion will host a Build a Burger meal for the BOLD After Prom fundraiser. The event is on Saturday, February 3, 2018. Serving starts at 5:00 pm.



**Redwood Area Hospital is seeking hospice volunteers.** We will be holding our annual hospice volunteer training course next month February 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> from 8 am – 4 pm. Please see the flyer for more information. Contact at 507-637-4668.

# 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")**

***Coming Soon: Lenten Soup Suppers*** – Lenten Soup Suppers will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 14, and continue every Wednesday (serving 5:30-6:30 pm) through March 21<sup>st</sup>. A sign-up sheet is on the church bulletin board for any group who wishes to sponsor a supper.