

Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

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

February 18, 2018



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.

The week of February 18-25

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
Wednesday	WOW	3:15 pm
	Confirmation	Attend service, meet after service for 10 minutes
	Soup Supper	5:30 – 6:30 pm
	Lenten Service	7:00 pm service
	Church Council Meeting	After service
Thursday	Quilters	9:00 am
Saturday	Service	5:30 pm
Sunday	Service	8:30 & 10:30 am

Flowers up front of the church are in memory of Kent Kircher.



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	*Richard Henze
*Barb Gomarko	*Cleve Fults	*Laura Wacek
*Donna Greenwell	*Jen Beckler	*Mike Abrahamson
*Jolynda Luckey	*Isabella (Izzy) Sullivan	*Keith Beckler
*Caryn Behr	*Connie Grewe	*Angela Metteer

Youth News

March 11 is Girl Scout Sunday. Girl scouts are encouraged to wear their uniform. If you would like to read a lesson, usher or provide special music, please talk to Jeni. Girl scouts will also be providing the coffee hour and treats.

The Senior High Youth Gathering is March 9-10 in Alexandria, MN at the Lake Geneva Christian Center for youth grades 9-12. Cost will be \$65 for Cross of Calvary members and \$95 for friends of any kids. Pick up a registration form on the youth board table. Registrations are due: Wednesday, February 14. If you are interested in being a small group leader or running for the LYO Board, visit

www.swmnelca.org/event/snyg



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

Cross of Calvary Community Garden: please sign up in the church office for a space in this year's garden.

BOLD ECI & BI Cultural Centre presents "Dr. Seuss' Family Movie Night, Friday March 2nd. There will be a movie and snack @ 7:00 pm, pictures with The Cat in the Hat @ 6:00pm. BI Cultural Centre 640 Dogwood Ave, Bird Island

Reminder: March is Cross of Calvary's month for Meals on Wheels; please sign up on "The Board"

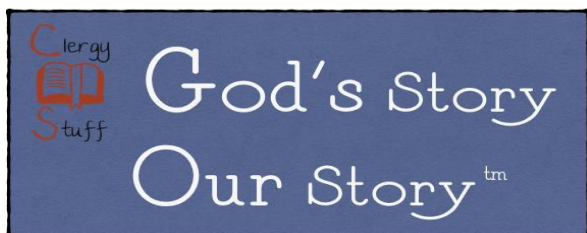
Girl Scout Troop #33767 seeking fleece donations

8th grade Girl Scouts from Cross of Calvary are currently working on their Silver Award project, which is making tied blankets for Santa's Closet, Lutheran World Relief, and the VA in St. Cloud. We are seeking donations of fleece. A collection box is located in the Narthex. We thank you for your support, Kiera, Lily, Madison, and Jaedan.

Thank you,

Lily Thompson

Girl Scout Troop #33767



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Jesus Raises Lazarus

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



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

Giver of life, you are the resurrection and the life. Awaken us with the breath of your spirit, and call us forth in faith as your disciples. In Jesus' name, Amen.



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

43When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" 44The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." (John 11:43-44)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

One of Jesus' closest friends is dying, but he lets two days pass before taking any action. Is he too busy, or too famous to bother? Or is something greater at work?



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

What inside of you needs to die and be resurrected? What needs Jesus' attention in your life?
Wonder: What did people think when they saw Lazarus alive? What would you have done?



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God raise you to new life. Amen.



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

Visit a funeral home. Talk with the director there. Learn what their job is like. How do they stay positive in the midst of so much loss? How do they care for themselves and others? What have they learned from being around so much death and grief?



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

Sunday, John 11:1-44, Jesus Raises Lazarus

Monday, John 7:10-24, Festival of Booths

Tuesday, John 7:25-31, Is This the Christ?

Wednesday, John 7:32-36, Officers Are Sent to Arrest Jesus

Thursday, John 7:37-39, Rivers of Living Water

Friday, John 7:40-44, Division among the People

Saturday, John 7:45-52, The Unbelief of Those in Authority

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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, 2017 Thrivent Choice Dollars: March 31st is the last date to designate your Dollars

Our new women's bible 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 you are interested, there are three books available, but you can still order on your own.

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.

Stephen Ministry is coming to Cross of Calvary. We have enrolled our church and Jeni and Carole Buhr have attended the leader training this month. Stephen Ministry provides the training, tools and support that will help our congregation train a team of lay caregivers to provide one-to-one Christian care. If you are interested in being involved in this program, please contact Jeni. Thanks so much for your support of this ministry.

2018 Lenten Study

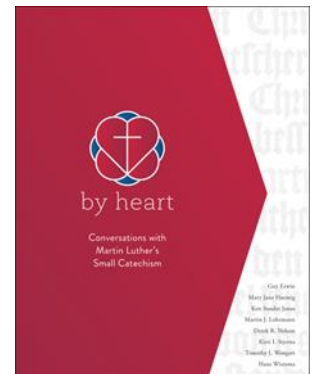
This study will be an in-depth exploration of the Small Catechism. The guide will generate meaningful conversations about the biblical and historical context of the Small Catechisms, its link to the church's faith, and its connection to Luther's life and your life today.

Dates: February 14 (Ash Wednesday) - March 28

Time: 6:00 PM on Wednesday

Location: Church Library

Please speak to Pastor Matt if you are interested in joining.



ELCA GOOD GIFTS

Deadline: March 19

The Easter season is upon us. It is a wonderful time to give to those in need. Your gift will help our church family purchase a much needed item for other church families.

Thank you and God Bless you!!!!

Envelopes have been placed in the basket under the "DOOR". Please drop the envelopes in the offering basket or in the box by the office door.

