



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 Lutheran Church

1103 W. Chestnut Ave. Olivia, MN

320-523-1574

March 18, 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.

The week of March 18 - 25

Today	Worship	9:00 only
	Ham Dinner	11:00 – 1:00 PM
	Bible Study	10:00 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 am & 10:30 am
	Palm Sunday	
	Breakfast served from 9:30 -10:15 (Sponsored by the National Youth Gathering)	
		Free will donation!!
	National Youth Gathering Meeting at 6:30 pm – kids only	



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

*Jen Beckler

*Mike Abrahamson

*Blake Munyer

*Nina Lindgren

*Keith Beckler

*Caryn Behr

*Richard Morse

*Angela Metteer

*Abby Stovern

Youth News

Coffee hour will be replaced by Palm Sunday Breakfast on March 25, and served by the National Gathering families and used as a fundraiser for their trip. A menu of egg bake, rolls and fruit will be served from 9:30 – 10:15.

Bible Camp It's time to register for Bible Camp! Children and youth in grades 1-12 can go to Bible Camp, a place where the majesty of God is experienced in profound and fun ways. Cross of Calvary is dedicated to helping kids go to camp. The Men's Group provides a \$50 scholarship to every camper and the Youth Committee provides a \$50 scholarship to every camper. So kids going to camp get \$100 off their registration cost right off the bat. Fundraising opportunities and additional scholarships are available as well. Register for camp at www.gllm.org and fill out the info sheet found on the table beneath the Youth Bulletin Board. Contact: Sarah Hausken 320-579-0838 or sarah.hausken@gmail.com

WOW Wonders on Wednesdays is our weekly after school program for 4-6 graders. Kids have snack, time to hang out, do Bible story skits, sing and participate in interactive prayer. Contact Sarah Hausken 320-579-0838 or sarah.hausken@gmail.com

Jesus Justice League 1-3 graders meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month for snack, Bible stories, singing, activities and games. Contact: Sarah Hausken 320-579-0838 or sarah.hausken@gmail.com

Mission

Paraguay Missionaries

The Kevin & Rebekah Howell family

Bolivia Missionaries

Paul and Jay Mikaelson

MARCH VOLUNTEERS

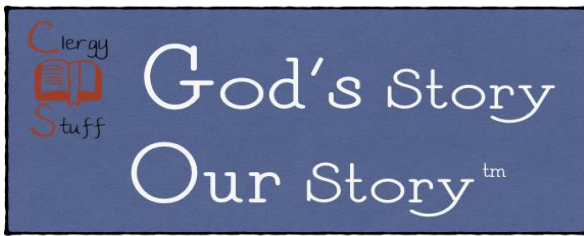
COMMUNION 8:30 – Paul Buhr 10:30 – Jon Hawkinson

USHERS 8:30 – Kirk Elfering, Greg Helin, Richard Sigurdson & Rich Elbert

10:30 – Dave Altmann & Dan Beckler

ACOLYTES: Ella Mages & Kaylee Fennern

ALTAR GUILD: Deanne Beckler, Marie Rauenhorst, Kristi O'Neil



March 18



Jesus Condemned

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 Lord, you stand unmoved by the clamor of the angry crowd. Show us what it means to truly surrender, trusting in your ultimate power over all the forces of darkness. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



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

15They cried out, "Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!" Pilate asked them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but the emperor. 16Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

(John 19:15-16)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Pilate has the unenviable task of deciding the fate of an accused Jewish blasphemer. The religious issues are of no consequence to this Roman official, but sending an innocent man to death might agitate his conscience for a while.



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

Tell of a time you were in a crowd when tension started to build. What is it that makes certain behaviors unacceptable when alone or in small groups, but more acceptable in large crowds? Did you keep your head when the crowd started to turn, or did you follow the crowd?

Wonder: How did Jesus feel when he was sentenced to death?



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God guide your thoughts and actions. Amen.



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

Attend a protest and stand up for something you believe in. Keep your head, even if the crowd begins to turn.



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

Sunday, John 19:1-16a, Jesus Condemned

Monday, John 14:15-31, The Promise of the Holy Spirit

Tuesday, John 15:1-17, Jesus the True Vine

Wednesday, John 15:18—6:4a, The World's Hatred

Thursday, John 16:4b-15, The Work of the Spirit

Friday, John 16:16-24, Sorrow Will Turn into Joy

Saturday, John 16:25-33, Peace for the Disciples

Cross of Calvary News

- If you are a Thrivent member, 2017 Thrivent Choice Dollars: March 31st is the last date to designate your Dollars

Meals on Wheels: March is Cross of Calvary's month to deliver food for Meals on Wheels. This can easily be done on your lunch break. Contact Pastor Matt for more details

It's a Birthday party: Deloris Abraham's 100th birthday. A party will be held at the Savage Senior Living Center on April 22nd from 2-4 pm. The address is: Fenpoint 5950 West 130th Lane, Savage, MN 55378. No gifts please, but cards are welcome.

2018 Spring Fling Flower Sales



It is that time of year again when the youth of Cross of Calvary have the opportunity to sell flowers!!!

Sales will run Sunday, March 25th – Friday, April 13th

Flower Pickup will be Friday, May 11th

*(Please note that pickup is **ONLY** on Friday)*

All proceeds from individual sales will go into your family youth account. This is a wonderful opportunity to raise money for things like bible camp or youth gatherings!!

Never done this before? Here is how it works:

- As orders are taken fill out one INDIVIDUAL ORDER FORM for buyer.
- Once you have completed your selling please total all orders together on the MASTER ORDER FORM with your overall family total sold.
- You must collect money with order. Checks can be made out to "Cross of Calvary Youth"
- Turn in all forms and money on or before **FRIDAY, APRIL 15th**.
- All forms and money can be turned in to Sue Altmann in the church office (please do not leave them in the mailbox) or to one of the committee members.
- Customers can pick up their orders on Friday, May 11th from 4:30 – 7:30pm at the church.
 - *If they are unable to pick up at this time it is the seller's responsibility to pick up and deliver them. If you need to make arrangements for another pick up time please contact one of the committee members.*

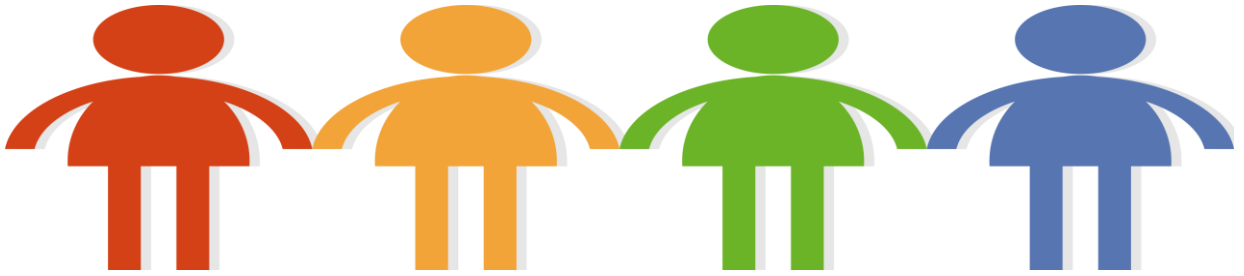
NO ORDERS OR ADDITIONS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER APRIL 15TH

Cost:		
Hanging Baskets	\$22.00	Ivy Geranium, Pansies, Impatiens and Begonias
8" Pot	\$16.00	Geraniums
12" Pot	\$26.00	Geraniums

Committee Members Contact Information:

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Bobbie Kopel	(320) 522-0731	bobbieoowho@hotmail.com
Tara Amberg	(320) 444-0129	tamberg@rccbi.com

***Plants come from Dundee Nursery (Carr Flowers) of Hutchinson*



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

Renville County Hospice offers Annual Grief Support Opportunity: "Good Grief" is sponsored by Renville County Hospice. The sessions will be held on Monday nights March 19, March 26, April 2, April 9 and April 16 from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm at Renville County Hospital (Willette Room), 100 Healthy Way in Olivia. All are welcome and invited. Please call Heidi at 320-523-3451 to register.

The Tim Orth Memorial Foundation's annual fundraising event will be held on Saturday, March 24th at the BOLD School in Bird Island. Doors open at 4:00 pm, Opening Ceremony at 5:45 pm. Along with the boys and girls basketball games, there will be fun entertainment. A silent auction and raffle are also held. Proceeds from the event will go to benefit children from the area battling a serious or life threatening illness.

The Woodbury Chorus & Orchestra: The Woodbury Chorus and Orchestra (including the Woodbury Singers of Renville County) under the direction of Associate Director Richard Alton will present "Songs of Hope" at St. Aloysius Catholic Church at 4:00 pm on April 15, 2018. This will be the 25th concert performed for the benefit of the Renville County Food Shelf. The concert is free, no tickets required and 100% of a free will offering will go to the Food Shelf. If you can't make April 15th, there will be a second performs on Sunday, April 8th at 4:00 pm at Calvary Lutheran Church in Willmar.

Cross of Calvary Community Garden: please sign up in the church office for an 8'x8' garden plot. in this year's garden. March will be a garden cleaning month. Trim raspberry bushes, etc. You do not need to be involved at Cross of Calvary to have a garden plot. We would like to fill with church members first, then open plots to everyone. Cost for a plot is \$25.00

Girl Scout (Brownie) Troop #34698 is seeking donations to the Redwood Area Animal Shelter:

1st-3rd graders Brownie Troop from BOLD and St Mary's school are working on their service project for the year which is supporting the Redwood Area Animal Shelter. This is a "no kill" shelter for dogs and cats, and they rely heavily on volunteers and donations to care for the animals. The girls would be grateful for any items you can

provide to help them meet their goal. At this time, the shelter is seeking cat toys, dog toys, kitty litter, garbage bags, and old towels, rugs or blankets. A collection box is located in the Narthex where items can be left, or you may give any items directly to Maddy Cole.

Thank you! Maddy Cole and all of Girl Scout troop #34698

Christian Community Outreach Center Easter Egg Hunt: Saturday March 24th at Nester Park in Olivia. Hunt starts at 9:00am sharp. Bring an Easter basket, bag or bucket. Kids 0-8 years old may participate in the hunt. Everyone is invited to the CCOC immediately following for a Pancake Sausage Breakfast. Sponsored by CCOC, Sons of American Legion, F&M Bank and Hometown Bank of Olivia. Any donations may be dropped at Masters Coffee Shop.

Hope For Our City: Grocery distribution at CCOC (next to Masters Coffee Shop) EVERY Wednesday at 7:30 pm. Bring \$2 and 2 bags to take home 6-8 food items, Fresh veggie/fruit, breads, dairy, deli items, etc..., All are welcome; invite everyone in Renville Co. No income qualifications – Register 320-894-4763 Call/text by 3:00 Tuesday for Wednesday pickup

Wild about ST. MARY'S SCHOOL....It is Kindergarten Round up time at St Mary's School and we would like to invite all schoolaged children & their parents to come on April 6, 9:00 am -12:00 pm. To Learn more contact St Mary's school at 320-365-3693, private tours are available upon request.

ELCA GOOD GIFTS

Deadline: March 26

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.

