

Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

1108 W. Chestnut Ave. Olivia, MN
320-523-1574

April 15, 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 April 15-22

Today	Worship	8:30 & 10:30
	Bible Study	10:00 am
Monday	Library reserved	6:00-8:00 pm
Tuesday	Men's Bible Study	6:15/7:00 am
	Bible Study	7:30 pm
Wednesday	Spaghetti Supper	5-7 pm
	WOW	3:15-5:00
	Confirmation	5:30 Supper/Confirm. 6:30
	Church Council Meeting	7:30 pm
Thursday	Breakfast Club	
	Bible Study	8:15 am
Friday	Prairie Arts Chorale Concert	7:30 pm
Saturday	Bridal Shower	10:00 am – 12:00 pm
	Service	5:30 pm
Sunday	Worship	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

*Cleve Fults

*Laura Wacek

*Jen Beckler

*Mike Abrahamson

*Alexa Fischer

*Nina Lindgren

*Keith Beckler

*Caryn Behr

Cross of Calvary News

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.

Open house Bridal shower will be held Saturday, April 21st from 10:00 – 12:00 pm at Cross of Calvary church for Miranda Braun and Troy Honzay. (Son of Bob & the late Barb Honzay)



The Cross of Calvary Men's group will be serving a Spaghetti Dinner on Wednesday, April 18th, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm. Please see the flyer on the board for donations and workers needed.

Youth News

Help Us Get to Houston

The National Lutheran Youth Gathering is estimated to cost \$1,300 for each person attending. Your donations help get us there, where we can Change Everything! If you are able to donate, select an envelope with the desired dollar amount you are willing to donate. Please put that amount in the envelope and turn in to church office no later than May 4th. Turn your envelopes in early so they can be reused by another gracious donor. Your donations are truly appreciated!

Thank you!!

Emily Eva McKenna Danny Emma
Trey Olivia Andrew Ben Brady
Caeden Carson Leif Noah Will
Andy Cam Jack Lily Nicholas



APRIL 15, 2018
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

The risen Jesus sends us out to witness.



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Luke 24:36b-48	Jesus appears to his disciples
Monday	Acts 3:12-19	Peter speaks in the temple
Tuesday	1 John 3:1-7	Children of God
Wednesday	Acts 1:1-11	You will be my witnesses
Thursday	Acts 10:34-43	The witness of the apostles
Friday	Isaiah 35:3-9	God changes everything
Saturday	Psalms 4	An evening prayer
Sunday	John 10:11-18	The Good Shepherd

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

“Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.” **Luke 24:46-48 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord Jesus, open our minds to understand the Scriptures and our mouths to speak of you. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

God bless our food, God guide our ways, God give us strength to declare your praise. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the light of God’s face shine on you and be gracious to you. (Psalm 4:1,6)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home or small group:

- Tell about an amazing event you saw or heard about.
- Who first told you about Jesus? Who and what has helped you learn about him?
- Jesus said that his disciples would be “witnesses” for him (Luke 24:48). In what ways are you a witness for Jesus to others?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Luke 24:36b-48.

When his followers saw the risen Lord, they were filled with joy but also disbelief and still questioned how this could be (v. 41). Jesus called these joyful and questioning followers to be his witnesses and to tell others of the power of repentance and forgiveness in Jesus’ name (v. 47). Even those who are followers need support and encouragement in their faith in the risen Lord Jesus. Talk with others about how the resurrection of Jesus creates a new way of life for us, one that is renewed daily through God’s forgiveness. In your prayers this week, pray for others that they may come to know the risen Jesus or that their faith may be strengthened to deal with disbelief and questions of faith.

Pray: The Lord’s Prayer.

SERVICE

The Great Commandment to love God and to love your neighbor relates directly to the Great Commission to tell the good news of Jesus to others. Being a witness of Jesus’ saving work is an essential act of love of the body of Christ, the church. Be open to how the Holy Spirit can use you as a witness to others. This week pray for opportunities to be a witness to Jesus empowered by the Holy Spirit (Luke 24:49).

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Psalm 4:8 states, “In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, O Lord, will keep me safe.” The end of the day is a good time to slow down, reflect on the day, and focus on God’s place at the center of our lives. Rituals that help us do this can have a powerful “witnessing” influence in our home lives. Consider incorporating these ideas into your bedtime routine: Read a Bible passage or a storybook Bible. Give a blessing to someone. Take time for prayer and meditation, including sitting in silence. Sing or pray a hymn. Review the day to wonder how God was present in your up and down moments.



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 are unable to attend at St. Al’s, donations will be accepted here at Cross of Calvary. Please put donation money in an envelope and mark Woodbury Chorus, (put in church office) the money will be passed on the Chorus.

Cross of Calvary Community Garden: please sign up in the church office for a 15’ x 15’ 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. (Four plots still available, please let the office know ASAP! If you are interested)

Thinking of your garden and how to get started? Check out this website from UMN extension office.
<http://blog-yard-garden-news.extension.umn.edu/2018/03/april-to-do-list-for-vegetable-gardening.html>

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

Lest We Forget: April 21st 2018 marks the 50th Anniversary of the disappearance, of Hutchinson Native, Lyle E. Mackedanz in Viet Nam. In remembrance of Lyle and the five other crew members of Fosdick Five, a special salute will be happening at the McLeod County Veterans Park in Hutchinson at 2:00 pm on April 21st.
Donations to help cover the cost of bringing the Huey are needed. This donation is a tax deductible event. This was Cindy Johnson’s father. See flyer for more information.

Harrison Community Presbyterian Church in Spicer MN will be having a 150th Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, May 20, 2018. There will be a program/open house from 1:30 – 3:00 pm. Everyone is invited to help them celebrate this milestone.

Let’s All Become A Back-the-Pack Hero!! There is a flyer available to all who are interested in helping with this program. Ask an usher!
Thanks!!

“Huge” Rummage & Bake Sale at Faith United Methodist Church Olivia, MN. Friday, April 20th from 5:00pm to 8:00pm and Saturday, April 21st from 9:00am to 12:00pm. Serving both days: Hot Dogs, BQ Pork, Baked goods, Coffee and Lemonade

You’re invited to attend Our Spring Dinner at First Lutheran Church on Sunday, April 29th from 11:15 – 1:00pm. Menu: Ham, Mashed Potatoes w/gravy, Glazed Carrots, Pistachio Salad, Dinner Roll & Spring Dessert with beverage. Tickets: Adults - \$10.00, Ages 6-12 - \$5.00 and Ages 5 & under Free. Address: 316 SW 3rd St., Renville MN.

APRIL VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION 8:30 – Gordy Blem 10:30 – Jon Hawkinson
USHERS 8:30 – Ron Fahse, Linda Fahse, Cheryl Mallak & Eric Skeie
10:30 – Clayton Erickson & Ron Skrukud
ACOLYTES: Cole Visser & Ashley Frank
ALTAR GUILD: Stacey Larson & Sarah Iverson