## Welcome to Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

## 4th SundayAfter Pentecost June 14 & 17, 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.

<u>Announcements</u> 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.

**Worship Times** 

Thursday: 7:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 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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## JUNE VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION: 9:00 – Jill Hanson

USHERS: 9:00 – Shannon Visser, John Johnston

& Chris Hanson

ACOLYTES: Ben Whited & Andy Bahl

ALTAR GUILD: Katie Bahl, Sue Erickson & Jody Steffel



The week of June 17-24				
Today	Worship	9:00 am		
	Baptism	(Baumgartner, Marguax)		
Monday	Library reserved	6:00-8:00 pm		
	Cooking Club using Kitchen	4-8 pm		
Tuesday	Men's Bible Study	6:15/7:00 am		
Wednesday	Stephen Ministry Training	6:00 – 8:30 pm		
	Church Council Meeting	7:30 pm		
Thursday	The Faith Club	8:15 am in Library		
	Worship	7:00 pm		
Friday	Church office closed	Sue gone		
Sunday	Worship	9:00 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	*Barb Gomarko	
*Jenna Reynolds	*Amanda Steffel	*Laura Wacek	*Dave Pedersen	
*Mike Abrahamson	*Alexa Fischer	*Caryn Behr	*Vicki Law Lawrence	
*Izzy Sullivan	*Jen Beckler	*Pastor Ron Hackmann	*Senger Family	
* Sonia Grasmon	*Clayton Erickson	*Corinne Skogen		
*Family of Delores Abraham		*Family of Jean Petersen (Ronda Bergs mother)		

# **Youth Events/News**

# Day Camp (Our version of VBS)

Day camp for youth who have finished grades K-6 will be Sunday

Location: Cross of Calvary ALL ARE WELCOME!!!!!

July 8-Thursday, July 12. Cost is \$30 per student or \$75 per family.

Sunday = 3pm-8pm (with a Campfire worship at 7:15)

Monday = 1pm-6pm

Tuesday = 1p-6pm (Tie Dye day)

Wednesday = 1pm-6pm (Program at 5:30)

Thursday = 1pm - 6pm

Evening meals provided each day

- \*Please bring a pillowcase or t-shirt labeled with your name on Sunday or Monday for the tie dye project on Tuesday.
- \*We will be feeding the campers every night before 6, so we will be asking for food donations. Below is the link for registration. Registration closes July 6.

https://goo.gl/forms/OZnpGxBmdh4aNEHD3



## **Summer Bible Camp**

Camp information is on the table beneath Youth Board. Register at www.gllm.org and fill out our info sheet. Cross of Calvary youth get \$100 in scholarships.

Contact: Sarah or Jeni

# SUMMER COFFEE HOUR

A sign-up sheet has been placed on "The Board" for any persons or groups that would be interested in hosting coffee hour. Please sign up ASAP and thank you in advance!!

# Cross of Calvary Events/News

## **Stephen ministry**

One-to-one caring ministry planting a seed of hope and healing For more information talk to Jeni Skeie, Carole Buhr, or Pastor Matt

**Faith Club** Hello to all. Our women's study has taken a break for the month of May. But I am anxious to get back together. Our book for the summer is not so much of a Bible study, but a study of faiths. It is a conversation between a Muslim, a Christian, and a Jew, three women searching for understanding. This book was recommended by a member who has read it 3 times and was willing to read it again. It is called The Faith Club by Ranya Idliby, Suzanne Oliver, and Priscila Warner.

We will have two formats. One group will meet on Thursday mornings at 8:15 am beginning June 7, (with no meeting on July 5). Thursday group please read pages 300 to the end and the first 2 chapters before we meet. The other group will meet at my house 3 times over the summer on a Tuesday night at 6pm, June 26, July 24, and August 28. Tuesday group will read pages 300 to the end and thru chapter 7 by June 26.

If these times don't work, please still feel free to join in reading the book. Enjoy!!!! Spread the word. All are welcome.

Peace to you, Jeni Skeie

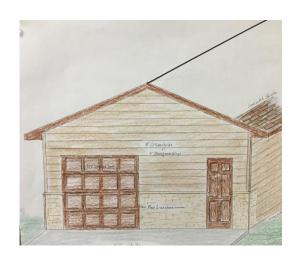
Congratulations to Troy Honzay & Miranda Braun who were married Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at Cross of Calvary.

The baptism of Margaux Lorraine Baumgartner is Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup>.

Parents: Ben & Ciji Baumgartner, Sponsors: Blair & Katherine Gramentz.

# Men's Group Project

New Storage shed See board in the Narthex, for more information on how to give! To date: donations are \$8,900.00



# June 17, 2018 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

# HYMN OF THE WEEK We Walk by Faith



## The kingdom of God is experienced more than explained.

## **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

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

Sunday Ma	ark 4:26-34	The use of parables
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Monday Ezekiel 17:22-24 Israel to return from exile

Tuesday 2 Corinthians 5:6-17 Living by faith Wednesday Proverbs 3:1-12 Trusting in God

Thursday Hebrews 11:1-40 The meaning of faith

Friday Revelation 21:22— The tree of life

22:5

Saturday Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15 A song for the Sabbath day

Sunday Mark 4:35-41 Jesus calms the sea

#### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—we walk by faith, not by sight. 2 Corinthians 5:6-7 (NRSV)

#### PRAYERS AND BLESSING

## A Prayer for the Week:

Gracious God, help us to see with eyes of faith that your kingdom is present in our lives and world bringing mercy and steadfast love through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Mealtime Prayer:**

God has planted, God has fed. Thanks be to God for daily bread. Amen.

## A Blessing to Give:

May the God of steadfast love give you a thankful heart morning and night and all the day long. (Psalm 92:1-2)

## CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home or small group:

- Talk about something you have learned this past year. How did you learn it?
- ② Having confidence is about support as well as having skills and information. Who or what gives you a sense of confidence?
- ☑ The Apostle Paul writes, "...we walk by faith, not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:6). How does that give you confidence in your daily life of faith?

## **DEVOTIONS**

Read: Mark 4:26-34.

Jesus talks about the kingdom of God in parables. It is acknowledged that the ability to hear and understand these parables varied according to the listener. He explained them privately to his disciples. The key to understanding parables is doing the will of God. This means following Jesus and being part of his community, his family (Mark 3:34-35). The two parables in this text describe growth through the image of plant life. Growth happens without our full comprehension of how the plants develop. In the kingdom of God growth happens as God's will is done through Jesus. It may not be easily understood, but the fruit of the work of the kingdom does show forth in the world. Reflect on how you experience the kingdom of God as a follower of Jesus in a community of faith.

Pray: God of life and growth, we thank you that your kingdom has come to dwell among us and promises to continue with us and to bear fruit. Bless us with faith that trusts that your work is being done through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **SERVICE**

Father's Day is a time to honor the men in our lives who have cared for us and supported us over the years. Connect with a dad, grandfather, uncle, or other mentor and go outdoors to enjoy God's creation together. Enjoy the time together by walking side by side. Talk about some of your life experiences and how you have grown over the years.

## **RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**

Walking in creation has been shown to be a healthy experience, impacting our body chemistry and immune system. It also impacts our life of faith. Psalm 92 compares the life of faith with the growth of a palm and cedar tree. Make time to go for a walk in creation regularly. Before you walk each time, take time to pray this prayer: Dear God, you who give us creation to see life and growth, guide our lives of faith to reflect your goodness and mercy all the days of our lives. Amen.



# Community Events/News

## SAL (SAL: Sons of the American Legion) Pop-Tab Contest:

Cash Prizes, start saving those little aluminum tabs from you beverage containers and you could be winner of one of three cash prizes. The SAL is sponsoring a contest for the purpose of colleting as many Aluminum tabs as possible. The tabs will be

turned over the Ronald McDonald home of MN. These tabs generate funds to assist operating these homes which are made available to family members while children and adults are being treated at hospitals in MN. You can find these little tabs on beverage and soup cans. The tabs will be weighed on Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at the Legion in Olivia during the Fire Departments Annual Rib Fest. Cash prizes are as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> prize: \$50.00, 2nd prize: \$30.00 and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize: \$20.00

<u>Renville County Human Services</u> is currently seeking individuals who are willing to be foster parents to children who are in need of a home. Foster parents can be blended families, one or two parent families, retired or single.

The most important aspects of fostering a child is your willingness to provide a loving save and stable environment. Foster parents are considered part of a team of individuals who are working to make a better life for a child. Foster parents help a child through a difficult time, share their gifts and talents and receive reimbursement for their dedication and service to children. Is it time to share your gifts and talents and become a foster parent?

Please call Bonnie Lund or Stacie Roxberg, Renville County Human Services at 320-523-2202 to find out more about how to become a foster parent for Renville County.

<u>Fairview Place Senior Housing</u> currently has 1 and 2 bedroom apartments available, for more information please contact Jenny at 523-1836.

## **Vacation Bible School**

Location: Our Saviors Lutheran Church 510 Dogwood Ave, Bird Island

Dates: June 25-29 Time: 6-8:30 pm

Ages 3 years old – 6th Grade All Denomination Welcome!!

Call the church for more information 320-365-3996

Cost: \$20 and additional \$10 if you would like to have a meal before class begins

Registration form on the Youth table

<u>Leaves of Grass – Illuminated</u> Presented by Patrick Scully\_at the Renville County Historical Society\_441 N Park Dr., Morton, Minnesota in the Heritage Building on the Museum Grounds Thursday, June 21, 2018 \*at 7:00 PM FREE WILL DONATION plus a non-perishable food item for the Renville County Food Shelf! Patrick Scully is a Minneapolis based performing artist. Scully's most current project about Walt Whitman. This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Minnesota State Arts Board, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund.

Visit Patrick's website www.patrickscully.org

Join us for a <u>Midsummer's Festival at Swedlanda Lutheran Church</u> on Wednesday, June 20. An Ice-Cram Social will be held from 4:30-7:00 pm, with sandwiches, beans, potato salad, pie, and homemade ice cream. A program will be begin at 7:00 pm and will feature "The BASICS" (Brothers And Sister In Christ Singing). Invite your friends for an evening of fun entertainment for the family! Swedlanda Lutheran Church is 9 miles southwest of Hector, 73950 Cty. Rd. 16. Please call 320-848-2490 for further information.

<u>Harrison Community Presbyterian Church Summer Supper</u>: Wednesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-7:00 pm. Menu: meatballs, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, cole slaw, rolls and homemade pies/desserts, coffee, lemonade and water. The supper is located at 14110 105<sup>th</sup> Ave Spicer, MN. Cost is Adults: \$12.00, 4 to 12 year olds \$6.00 and 3 years old and younger FREE.