



Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

9th Sunday After Pentecost
July 19th & 22nd, 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.

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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JULY VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION: 9:00 – Curt Sather

USHERS: 9:00 – Mark Theisse, Randy Marguth,
Clayton Erickson & Curt Schroer

ACOLYTES: Andrew Holland & Bria Henriksen

ALTAR GUILD: Sandy Gay & Cheryl Mallak



The week of July 22-29

Today	Worship	9:00 am
Monday	Library reserved	6:00-8:00 pm
	Ecumenical Service	6:00 pm
Tuesday	Men's Bible Study	6:15/7:00 am
	Faith Club (Jeni's)	changed to 7/31
	Stephen's Ministry	6:00-8:30
Thursday	Worship	7:00 pm
	Faith Club	8:15 am
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 – Betsy Hennen sister

*Laura Wacek – Bobbi Jo Abrahamson

*Mike Abrahamson – Tim & Bobbi Jo Abrahamson

*Caryn Behr – Kathy Helin's mother

*Izzy Sullivan – Sharon Alton

*Leslie Sagedahl- Family

*Sonia Grasmon - Family

*Alexa Fischer-daughter: Kelsey & Matt

*Jen Beckler – Emy Elbert

*Keith Beckler – Carol Senkyr's son

Meals on Wheels: July is Cross of Calvary's month – Sign-up sheet is on "The Board"

- Drivers needed for the last few weeks of July

Cross of Calvary Events/News

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!!

Offering for Cross of Calvary Church

Needed per budget thru June - \$133,125

Actual receipts thru June - \$ 96,109

In memory of Ann Orth, a group of her friends called the Piecemakers do a mission project each year. This year we are making PJ's for orphans at Teule Orphanage in Kenya. Sixty five children from infants to 15 year old live there. The Ingrid School in Nairobi is also in need. We have been approved for a Thrivent Action Grant, but this will not cover all the costs for supplies needed to make all the PJ's needed. This is a part of Dave Neubauer's ministry. Julie Neubauer will be taking the PJ's personally in September to Kenya.

If you feel this is a project you would like to help provide funds for, please contact Cindy Thiesse (320-522-0338) or Lynette Blem (320-522-2690)

Men's Group Project

New Storage shed

See board in the Narthex,

for more information on how to give!

To date: donations are \$12,200.00



July 22, 2018

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



HYMN OF THE WEEK

Have No Fear Little Flock

People flock to Jesus as their shepherd.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday	Mark 6:30-34, 53-56	Jesus teaches and heals the people
Monday	Jeremiah 23:1-6	God promises a righteous king
Tuesday	Ephesians 2:11-22	United by Christ
Wednesday	Isaiah 40:1-11	God's people are comforted
Thursday	John 10:1-18	Jesus the Good Shepherd
Friday	2 John	Truth and love
Saturday	Psalms 23	The Lord is my shepherd
Sunday	John 6:1-21	Jesus feeds the five thousand

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

*As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. **Mark 6:34 (NRSV)***

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord Jesus, you who care for us as a shepherd, guide us to care for others with your tender and healing touch. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Our Good Shepherd feeds us. Our Good Shepherd leads us. Thanks be to God! Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord touch you with love, show you kindness and bring you healing. (Mark 6:34, 55-56)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home or small group:

- ☐ If you saw Jesus standing in front of you, what would you want from him?
- ☐ Jesus taught and healed people (Mark 6:30-34, 53-56). What has Jesus taught you? What would you want Jesus to teach you now?
- ☐ Jesus sees the people as sheep without a shepherd (Mark 6:34). What does it mean to you to have Jesus as your shepherd?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Ephesians 2:11-22.

In verse 15 it states that Christ has abolished the law. That is not suggesting that we live without laws. It means that the law that defines the Jew through all their religious practices was no longer present to divide Jews from non-Jews. In Jesus one new humanity is being created; there exists one household of God—one people—to be a dwelling place for God (v. 22). What are the divisions you experience that separate followers of Jesus from being one people united by God? Identify the kinds of attitudes and practices that divide the one body of Christ. Offer a prayer that confesses these divisions that are present in you and in the larger church and ask to be healed of the things that divide us one from another in Christ.

Pray: The Lord's Prayer.

SERVICE

A shepherd in the Old Testament serves as a royal metaphor for the king (Jeremiah 23:1-6). In the New Testament Jesus becomes the Good Shepherd for all (Mark 6:34 and John 10:11-18). The future followers of Jesus also serve the ministry of teaching and healing that offer Jesus' shepherding care. A shepherd of souls is any Christian who offers the compassion of

Jesus' love to others who need care. This can be done through listening, praying, speaking, and any other way to care for the physical and spiritual needs of others. Take time to wonder how you can offer Jesus' shepherding to someone in need, someone who needs a listening ear or any other way to be touched by the presence of our Good Shepherd.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Psalm 23 is one of the most familiar passages in the Bible, familiar because it touches our lives so deeply. When have you heard it read? Use the pattern of divine reading (*lectio divina*) to meditate on this powerful prayer. Read it once, then pause. Read it again and then pick out a word or phrase that shimmers, or shines brightly in your heart. Pause again, and focus on that word or phrase. Read Psalm 23 again and wonder how it speaks to you today. Pause and reflect. Read it again one more time and think about how Psalm 23 might influence your life.

Community Events/News

SAL (SAL: Sons of the American Legion) Pop-Tab Contest: Cash Prizes, start saving those little aluminum tabs from your beverage containers and you could be winner of one of three cash prizes. The SAL is sponsoring a contest for the purpose of collecting as many Aluminum tabs as possible. The tabs will be turned over to 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 8th at the Legion in Olivia during the Fire Departments Annual Rib Fest. Cash prizes are as follows: 1st prize: \$50.00, 2nd prize: \$30.00 and 3rd prize: \$20.00 .

"Lutheran Men in Mission" 24th Annual Best Ball Golf Tournament

Friday, July 27th, 2018 at the Redwood Falls Golf Club, Redwood Falls. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board by the door or register online at www.swmnelca.org/event/golf18.

Corn Capital Days Service in the Park

Monday, July 23rd

5:30 pm Lite Supper

6:00 pm Service Begins

Cross of Calvary will be responsible for the music and sound system. (Jeni & Sarah will take care of the music) Also, needed are 2 to 3 workers and 2 pans of bars. Please let the office know if you are able to help. All proceeds go to the House of Hope.

Living Word Church would like to invite you to a FREE showing of the movie "I Can Only Imagine" at their church on Sunday night, July 22nd at 6:00 pm. For more information call 507-644-5528 or check out the Living Word Church page on Facebook.

The **Tim Orth Memorial Foundation** is pleased to announce that Bird Island native and Washington Capitals Head Athletic Trainer, Jason Serbus, will make an appearance with the Stanley Cup for a fundraiser photo opportunity on Monday, July 23rd. The event will take place in The Broaster restaurant parking lot, 745 Hwy Ave., Bird Island, from 1 – 3 pm. A free-will donation to the TOMF will allow you to take one individual or group photo next to the Stanley Cup. Bring your camera and come early for a rare opportunity to see the Stanley Cup and support the Tim Orth Memorial Foundation's commitment to kids.

Fairview Place Pie & Ice Cream Social: Thursday, July 26th from 2:00-4:00. They will be serving pie & ice cream, lemonade and coffee. They hope you will join them!!! Fairview Place 603 E. Fairview Ave. Olivia

Renville County Hospice invites you to attend the: Annual Butterfly Release Wednesday, August 22 at 7:00 pm. Refreshments to follow. Please extend this offer to your family & friends. Hundreds of monarch butterflies are released every year in memory of loved ones, providing a beautifully touching remembrance.