



**Cross of Calvary
Lutheran Church**
11th Sunday After Pentecost
August 5th, 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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AUGUST VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION: 9:00 – Curt Sather

USHERS: 9:00 – Curt Sather, Chet Boen & Wally Stucke

ACOLYTES: Brady Stovern & Nick Serbus

ALTAR GUILD: Amanda Malvin & Angela Cole



The week of August 5 - 12

Today	Worship (Communion)	9:00 am
Monday	Library reserved	6:00-8:00 pm
Tuesday	Men’s Bible Study	6:15/7:00 am
Wednesday	Stephen’s Ministry	6:00-8:30
Thursday	Faith Club	8:15 am
Sunday	Worship	9:00 am & 5:30 pm



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

*Family of Jill Revolinski – Cheryl Mallak

*Joyce O’Halloran – Gladie Hagen

*Leslie Sagedahl- Family

*Sonia Grasmon - Family

*Alexa Fischer-daughter: Kelsey & Matt

*Mike Grund – Jen Grund

*Keith Beckler – Carol Senkyr’s son

*Barb Gomarko – friends

Cross of Calvary Youth

The Children Youth and Education Committee is looking for 2-3 youth in grades 7-12 who would like to be part of the committee. Our mission is to equip and support children and youth to grow in faith, to equip and support families to pass on the faith and live well in Christ, and to equip and support Cross of Calvary Staff and volunteers.

This committee meets to:

☑☑Collaborate on the vision of children, youth and family ministry including but not limited to:

☑☑Children

o Jesus’ Justice League (1-3 grades)

o WOW (4-6 grades)

☑☑Youth

o Confirmation

o Jr. High Ministries

o Youth Group

o TIM Team

o Youth Band

o Youth Gatherings

o Youth Trips and Retreats

☑☑Sunday School

☑☑Sunday School Christmas Program

☑☑School Year Coffee Hours

☑☑Bible Camp

☑☑Vacation Bible School/Day Camp

☑☑assist in locating and/or providing for the needs of these ministries– materials, funds, time, curriculum, energy, volunteers, transportation, chaperones, etc. If you are interested, please contact Jeni or Sarah.

Breakfast Club is for Youth in grades 10-12 and will begin at 7:07 on Thursday ,September 13 at Cross of Calvary. We will meet every Thursday.

Youth Band will begin practices on Wednesday, September 12, at 8:30pm. Let Jeni know if you are interested in participating.

TIM Team will meet on Wednesday, September 5 at 8:30pm. All Senior High youth interested in planning or participating in Senior high youth group please come with ideas!

Cross of Calvary Events/News

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

Worship times and dates for August

August 2nd – 7:00 pm

August 5th – 9:00 am

August 9th – No Service

August 12th, 19th & 26th – Services at 9:00 am & 5:30



Looking ahead...

September 5th Confirmation starts/ Parents and kid meeting
(sign up for meals & Acolyte month)

9th – Rally Sunday

9th – 3rd, 7th & 8th Graders receive their Bibles
(either service)

11th – Jesus Justice League starts

12th – Wonders on Wednesday starts

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 collecting 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 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

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.

Olivia Community Blood Drive: St. Aloysius Catholic Church Jubilee Ctr., on Monday, August 6th from 12:00 – 6:00 pm. Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblod.org to make an appointment

August 5, 2018

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



HYMN OF THE WEEK

Eat This Bread

Jesus is the bread of life.

Sunday	John 6:24-35	Christ, the bread of life
Monday	Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15	Bread from heaven
Tuesday	Ephesians 4:1-16	Unity in the body of Christ
Wednesday	Matthew 6:9-13	The Lord's Prayer
Thursday	Deuteronomy 8:1-10	You do not live by bread alone
Friday	Isaiah 55:1-11	The abundant life
Saturday	Psalms 78:23-29	God feeds the people
Sunday	John 6:35, 41-51	Bread from heaven

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." John 6:35 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord Jesus, we come to you to be fed. Fill us that we may do the work of God by believing in you. Amen. (John 6:29, 35)

Mealtime Prayer:

Jesus, bread of life, feed us, body and soul. Jesus, bread from heaven, come and make us whole. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May Jesus, the bread of life, fill you with faith, hope, and love now and always. (John 6:29, 35)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home or small group:

- ☑ Talk about a time you were really hungry.
- ☑ Jesus called himself the bread of life. He said that those who come to him will never go hungry. What do you think he meant?
- ☑ Without food, hunger is something that can happen to us every day. How are you fed by Jesus, the bread of life, so you do not experience spiritual hunger?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Ephesians 4:1-16.

Leaders in the church identified in the text as apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers are "to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ" (v. 12). Church leaders are not the only ministers in the church. All people in the church are ministers to build up one another in faith by "speaking the truth in love" so that all may "grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ" (v. 15). This promotes the growth of the whole church (v. 16). Reflect on how you can use your spiritual gifts and speak the truth in love to serve others to strengthen the church.

Pray: Dear loving God, we thank you that we are part of the church, the body of Christ. Help us to support and strengthen others in the Christian faith, especially (name specific individuals you know and care for). May the Holy Spirit give us the faith and the gifts to care for one another through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SERVICE

When Jesus said he was the bread of life, he was speaking to people who knew what it was like being hungry most every day. Many people still do. Select an organization that provides food for the hungry and make a financial contribution or use your gifts of service to help at a place that provides food. Have you ever contacted your legislator or advocated for policies that care for the poor and the hungry?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Fasting is a tradition found in many religions. For Christians, one reason for fasting is to be aware of how dependent we are on food and on God to stay alive. Fasting and prayer go together. There are many ways to fast from avoiding all foods to restricting one's diet for a specific period of time. Choose a fast that works for you. When you end your fast enjoy some food while reading John 6:24-35. Reflect on the presence of your Lord Jesus Christ, the bread of life. Conclude the time by praying: Lord Jesus, we come to you to be fed. Fill us that we may do the work of God by believing in you. Amen.