

# Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

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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.**

## **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.

# Church news

## June 9 – June 16

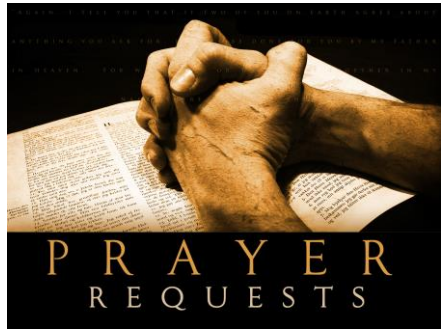
<b>Sunday 6/09</b>	<b>Services</b>	<b>9:00 am &amp; 5:30 pm</b>
<b>Monday 6/10</b>	Library reserved	6:00–8:00
<b>Tuesday 6/11</b>	Men's Bible Study	6:15/7:00
<b>Wednesday 6/12</b>	Theology on Tap	8:00 pm
	Adult Choir practice	7:00 pm
	Office Closed – Sue at State Golf	
<b>Thursday 6/13</b>	Women's Bible Study	8:15 am
	Alzheimer Meeting	1:00 pm
	All are Welcome!	
<b>Friday 6/14</b>		
<b>Saturday 6/15</b>		
<b>Sunday 6/16</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>9:00 am &amp; 5:30 pm</b>

## JUNE VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION:	9:00 Jill Hanson
USHERS	9:00 Chris Hanson, John Johnston, Shannon Visser & Dick Hagen
ACOLYTES	Taylor Amsden & Tyler Amsden
ALTAR GUILD:	Katie Bahl & Sue Erickson

**Please, please pick you pans!! They are on the cart by “The Board”, if you are unable to come to church service – stop in anytime during the week. Thank You!!**

# Prayer Request



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 320- 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.

Kathy Brown – Emy Elbert mother

Mike Abrahamson – Bobbi & Tim

Tami Steffel –Family

Autumn Stryker – Family and friends

Linda Cole – Nate Cole’s mother

Sandy Alton – Sharon & Dick Alton daughter

## Cross of Calvary Events for June

June 9 – 21 Pastor Matt, Sarah, Leif & Bjorn will be in Norway

June 23 – Vote on Cross of Calvary Constitution after 9:00 am service

**Reminder to Cross of Calvary members:** readers needed for Sundays, if you are interested please sign up on the “Board”. Thanks!!!

**Copies of the Cross of Calvary Constitution** have been placed in the magazine holder in Narthex. There will be a short meeting on June 23rd to vote for the approval of our Constitution. If you have any question please stop in the church office or contact Gordy Blem, Church president.

**Pastoral Care:** If you have a need for Pastoral Care from June 9<sup>th</sup> – 21st, please contact Jeni Skeie at [jeni.skeie@gmail.com](mailto:jeni.skeie@gmail.com) or contact the office and I will get you in touch with Jeni.

# Cross of Calvary Youth

**Congratulation to Olivia Hanson and Lily Thompson:** they were elected to the Southwestern MN Synod Lutheran Youth Organization (LYO) Board. It is truly an honor to be chosen to serve on the LYO board. Please congratulate them when you have a chance!!!!

**Camp at Green Lake:** Register online and fill out The CofC info sheet on the Youth Board. [http://www.gllm.org/uploads/3/1/5/9/31596405/general\\_inse rt\\_2019.pdf](http://www.gllm.org/uploads/3/1/5/9/31596405/general_inse rt_2019.pdf)



**Day Camp:** July 7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>

## Coffee Hour

**Summer Coffee Hour (Hosts needed) sign up on “The Board” and thank you in advance!!**

# Community News

**Join us for a Midsummer’s Festival at Swedlanda Lutheran Church** on Wednesday, June 19. An Ice-Cream Social will be held from 4:30 – 7:00 pm, with BBQ sandwiches, beans, potato salad, pie, and home made ice cream. A program will begin at 7 pm and will feature The Benson Family Singers, a family music group from Faribault, MN. Invite your friends for an evening of fun entertainment for the family! Swedlanda Luthen Church is 9 miles SW of Hector. Please call 320-848-2490 for further information.

**Bethesda Park View Village** will be hosting a Summer kick-off Community Ice Cream Social: Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup> from 4 - 6 pm

**Caregiver Dementia Support Group:** Make new friends. Learn new techniques, get insight into bizarre behaviors. Ongoing meeting will be held the first Thursday ever month. Facilitators: Jen Erickson and Tara Wertish. Time: 1 – 2 pm at Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church. Please contact us with questions 218-770-8988 or 320-522-1096

**Renville County Human Services** 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, safe 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. It is time to share your gifts and talents and become a foster parent? Please call Renville County Human Services at 320-523-2202 to find out more about fostering a child.

**Christian Community Outreach Center After School Enrichment**

**Coordinator:** Faith based organization seeking candidate to plan and implement activities for after school program located in Olivia. Candidate will direct service projects, train volunteers, supervise homework time, and teach morals and values through daily Jesus time. Successful candidate must have experience working with children in educational or faith setting. Hours are 2:30-6:00 M-F. Program follows BOLD School calendar. Send cover letter and resume listing 3 references to Christian Community Outreach Center, 815 E Lincoln, Olivia MN 56277. Closing date, July 1, 2019 at 4:00 pm.

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church** in Bird Island is having their Annual Ice Cream Social on Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 – 7:00 pm. Serving: BBQ's, Hot dogs, Potato Salad, Homemade Baked Beans, Pie, Cake Ice cream, Coffee and Lemonade! Free will offering for the Fank Family. Ecumenical Worship Service in the Park to Follow at 7:00 pm.

**Midsummer Festival Chicken Dinner:** United Lutheran Church in Lake Lillian. Menu: Don Boll's Fried Chicken, Potatoes, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Ostkaka, Bread, Beverage and dessert. Cost: Adults \$11 and under 12 yrs. old \$5.00. Friday – June 14th

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## **June 9, 2019 Pentecost Sunday**



**HYMN OF THE WEEK**  
Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

***The Holy Spirit lives in us.***

### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

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

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>John 14:8-17, 25-27</b>	<b>Jesus promises the Holy Spirit</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Acts 2:1-21</b>	<b>Filled with the Holy Spirit</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Romans 8:14-17</b>	<b>Life in the Spirit</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Isaiah 44:1-5</b>	<b>God's blessing on Israel</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Galatians 5:16-25</b>	<b>The fruit of the Spirit</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>2 Kings 2:1-15a</b>	<b>Elijah ascends to heaven</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Psalm 104:24-34, 35b</b>	<b>God the creator and provider</b>

**Sunday**                      **John 16:12-15**                      **The Spirit will guide you into truth**

### **SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK**

But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. **John 14:26 (NRSV)**

## **PRAYERS AND BLESSING**

### **A Prayer for the Week:**

Dear God, just as you are in Jesus and Jesus is in you, thank you for your Holy Spirit that places Jesus in us as Savior and Lord. Amen.

### **Mealtime Prayer:**

O Lord, your work in creation is filled with awe and wonder; you open your hand and fill us with good things. Amen. (Psalm 104:24 and 28)

### **A Blessing to Give:**

May the Lord pour out the Holy Spirit upon you that you may be filled with faith in Jesus Christ.

## **CARING CONVERSATIONS**

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- ❑ What is it like to feel lost or alone?
- ❑ How did the disciples feel after Jesus ascended and was not visibly present to them?
- ❑ How does the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, fill the void of Jesus' absence?

## **DEVOTIONS**

*Read:* John 14:8-17, 25-27.

It can be confusing to understand the role of the Holy Spirit in the life of one's faith. Some are tempted to see the Holy Spirit as an added dimension of the Christian faith beyond faith in Jesus. However, Jesus states in John 14 that the Holy Spirit will simply make his teachings and work alive in them, even though Jesus is not visibly present to them. The Holy Spirit makes Jesus Christ the living Savior in the lives of believers and not just a historical figure to recall from the past. The Apostle Paul names the Holy Spirit as the Spirit of Christ (Romans 8:9). It is Christ's presence that the Spirit gives, not something new and different from the saving, reconciling work of Christ. John 14 names the Spirit as "another Advocate" (v. 16, v. 26). The term advocate means someone who stands alongside someone and is a description used in 1 John 2:1 to describe Jesus Christ. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, reveals Christ to believers. The identity of the Holy Spirit in believers is the same as that of Jesus Christ. How does Christ's presence through the Holy Spirit, the Advocate, give you comfort? How does it make a difference in your life?



#### 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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**Pray:** Dear Jesus, thank you for giving us the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, so that our lives are strengthened and our faith renewed day by day through your presence in our lives. Amen.

#### SERVICE

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b is about God's wisdom in creating "living things both small and great" (v. 25b). The psalmist sings praises to God, "Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!" (v. 35b).

Praise of God includes caring for all of God's creation. In what ways do you care for God's creation in your home and in your neighborhood?

#### RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Pentecost means fiftieth. Pentecost Sunday is 50 days after Easter. It is when we celebrate the birthday of the church. Find a pattern for making paper flames or doves. Buy or bake a cake and decorate it with red icing. Place the flames (or use candles) and doves on the cake to symbolize the Holy Spirit. Buy birthday party plates and hats and have a party. Sing *Happy Birthday* to the church before cutting the cake. Close the party with a reading from Psalm 104:35b, "Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!"