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. <u>Children in Church</u>

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

<u>Restrooms</u> they are located in the hallway to the left of the stairs.



<u> June 16 – June 23</u>

Sunday 6/16	Services	9:00 am & 5:30 pm	
Monday 6/17	Library reserved	6:00-8:00	
	Cooking Club using Kitchen 4-7 pm		
Tuesday 6/18	Men's Bible Study	6:15/7:00	
Wednesday 6/19	Adult Choir practice	e 7:00 pm	
Thursday 6/20	Women's Bible Stud	dy 8:15 am	

Friday 6/21 Saturday 6/22 Sunday 6/23

Worship

9:00 am & 5:30 pm

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

<u>Please, please pick up your pans!</u> 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 Sister Neva – Angie Boen's sister Linda Cole – Nate Cole's mother Sandy Alton – Sharon & Dick Alton daughter Barb Gomarko – Mark & Pam Olson

Bev Beckman - Friend of the Blem's

Cross of Calvary Events for June

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

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

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.

CANCELLED changed to the Annual meeting in January

<u>Pastoral Care</u>: If you have a need for Pastoral Care from June 9th – 21st, please contact Jeni Skeie at <u>jeni.skeie@gmail.com</u> or contact the office and I will get you in touch with Jeni. 320-522-579-0406

Cross of Calvary Youth

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



Day Camp: July 7th – 11th

Sign up in the "Summer Story" section of Facebook

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 famly 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.

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

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

<u>Renville County Human Services</u> is currently seeking individuals who are willing to be foester 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 povide 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.

Cross of Calvary Financial Information for General Funds

Per month – General Funds Only

	<u>Disbursement</u>	Received
January	\$20,196.00	\$18,072.00
February	\$19,505.00	\$14,707.00
March	\$23,153.00	\$24,247.00
April	<u>\$25,970.00</u>	<u>\$21,123.00</u>
-	\$88,824.00	\$78,779.00

Behind about \$10,000.00 – needed each week to meet the annual budget, \$4,659.00

Approved Budget for 2019 \$242,270.00

June 16, 2019 Trinity Sunday



HYMN OF THE WEEK God, Whose Almighty Word

Experiencing the peace of God.

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

Sunday	John 16:12-15	The Spirit will guide you
Monday	Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31	The gifts of wisdom
Tuesday	Romans 5:1-5	Experiencing God's peace
Wednesday	Isaiah 55:10-13	God's people celebrate
Thursday	Ephesians 4:1-6	Unity in the body of Christ
Friday	Philippians 4:4-9	Paul encourages believers
Saturday	Psalm 8	The wonderful name of the Lord
Sunday	Luke 8:26-39	Jesus casts out demons

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ **Romans 5:1 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear Triune God, you who are filled with mystery and wonder, fill us with peace, the strength to endure, a loving character, and hope that does not fail us. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

We are thankful for food and pray for sharing God's peace. May we speak words of praise to God and never, ever cease. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the God who creates life and hope, who redeems our lives from the grave, and who sustains us through all our sorrows, be with us now and forever.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections: What is something you have learned through experience (e.g., travels, playing an instrument, or sports)?

How have experiences made a difference in your life?
How have you experienced God through times of joy or times of suffering?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Romans 5:1-5.

It is not easy to define the Trinity. The Trinity is better understood by experiencing the God who gives us peace, undeserved kindness, endurance, character, and hope. That is how God is presented in Romans 5. The God of the Bible shown most clearly in the life, death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus and the God "poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit" (Romans 5:5) is the Triune God, one God in three persons. What is critical for us to know is that God comes to us in human experiences, especially the experience of suffering. Happy times can deceive us, but times of suffering and pain give us an experience of life at its most honest and jarring levels. Experiences of suffering force us to face our lives, its limitations, and its hopes. Thanks be to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit that from the cross we have a God who joins us in our suffering and leads us to lives of faith filled with endurance, character, and hope—hope in the God of the Trinity. How has God been revealed to you during difficult experiences?



Pray: Dear God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be my strength and hope through all my experiences of joy and suffering. Amen.

SERVICE

Today is recognized in the United States as a day to honor fathers. Not all children are fortunate to be raised by a father and for many, it is a day to grieve the loss of a father. Those who experience these losses have a different perspective on fatherhood. Spend a moment in silence to think about the gift of God, the Heavenly Father in your life. Think of a father you know or someone who has been a father figure in your life. Give thanks for this person. Contact them and thank them for being part of your life.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

A doxology is an expression of praise to God. A very well-known doxology was written in 1709 by an Anglican bishop, Bishop Thomas Ken. It is a tradition around the world for congregations to sing or say this treasured doxology. Sing or say this hymn of praise to God before meals or before bedtime: **Praise God** from who all blessing flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.