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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

August 4 – August 11

Sunday 8/4	Services	9:00 am & 5:30 pm
	Baptism	5:30 service
	Equipping Mtg.	10:00 am
Monday 8/5	Library reserved	6:00–8:00
Tuesday 8/6	Men's Bible Study	6:15/7:00
Wednesday 8/7		
Thursday 8/8	Women's Bible Study	8:15 am
Friday 8/9		
Saturday 8/10		
Sunday 8/11	Worship	9:00 am & 5:30 pm

AUGUST VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION:	9:00	Laurence Stratton
USHERS	9:00	Curt Sather, Chet Boen, Wally Stucke and Craig Gartner
ACOLYTES		Nicolas Serbus
ALTAR GUILD:		Amanda Malvin & Angela Cole

Pans have been donated to ACTS!

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



Invite a Neighbor to Worship!

At Cross of Calvary, God fills our cups to overflowing. If you bring a neighbor (everyone is our neighbor in Christ) to worship Sept 8 or 15, you will receive a Cross of Calvary travel tumbler!

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

Ione Parsons – Gladie Hagen sister

Elaine Julius - Friends

Briar Lippert – son of Jay & Heidi Lippert

Evelyn Noel – Chet Boen's sister

Marlin Hanson – Maureen Hanson

Linda Cole – Nate Cole's mother

Sandy Alton – Sharon & Dick Alton daughter

Barb Gomarko – Mark & Pam Olson

Bev Beckman – Friend of the Blem's

Rosalie Sheggeby – Friends

Steve Palmer – Jeff Keltgen

Cross of Calvary Events for August

- August 1st – Summer Stretch at Valleyfair
August 2nd – Summer Stretch prep for Walk in Park
August 4th – Baptism of Brinley Hebrink at 5:30 service
Equipping Meeting at 10:00 am
August 14th - Church Council Meeting at 7:30 pm
August 15th - 7TH Grade Confirmation Retreat 9-6 pm
August 21st - 10Th Grade Confirmation Retreat 1-9 pm
August 24th - Bridal Shower for Ashley Roach
August 26th - Outreach Meeting at 7:30 pm

Cross of Calvary Youth

Confirmation Retreat will be August 21st. For those going into 10th Grade. Information mailed

Incoming 7th Grade Confirmation retreat will be on Thursday, August 15th. A letter has been sent to family with all the details.

Community News

Blood Drive: St. Aloysius Catholic Church on Monday, August 5th from 12:00 – 6:00 pm. Please see poster for where to go to register.

Trevor Berger Cancer Warrior Benefit: Sunday, August 25th from 11 am to 2 pm. Atwater Community Center. See poster on board for more information.

Caregiver Dementia Support Group: Make new friends. Learn new techniques, get insight into bizarre behaviors. Ongoing meeting will be held the first Thursday of every 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

Cross of Calvary Financial Information for General Funds

Per month – General Funds Only

	<u>Disbursement</u>	<u>Received</u>
January	\$20,196.00	\$18,072.00
February	\$19,505.00	\$14,707.00
March	\$23,153.00	\$24,247.00
April	\$25,970.00	\$21,123.00
May	\$20,298.00	\$15,436.00
June	<u>\$21,077.00</u>	<u>\$18,362.00</u>
	\$130,199.00	\$111,947.00

Approved Budget for 2019 \$242,270.00

Cross of Calvary Men's Group is looking for donations for Summer Coffee Hours. If you are interested in donating bars, cookies, muffins or anything to serve: please label the items "Coffee Hour" and place in the freezer by the coffee machine. (Remember to put the date of your donation)

This time is a wonderful way to visit with other members of our fabulous church family.



Thank you!!!

(Men's group will be serving, but everyone is welcome to help!!!)

August 4th, 2019

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost



HYMN OF THE WEEK

We Know that Christ Is Raised

Through baptism you have been raised with Christ.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Luke 12:13-21	Parable of the rich fool
Monday	Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23	Wisdom makes sense
Tuesday	Colossians 3:1-11	New life in Christ
Wednesday	1 Peter 1:3-12	A reason for hope
Thursday	Job 42:1-9	Job is humbled
Friday	Colossians 3:12-17	Christ gives meaning to your life
Saturday	Psalm 29:1-12	Don't depend on wealth
Sunday	Luke 12:32-40	Seek treasures in heaven

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. Colossians 3:2-3 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear Lord Jesus Christ, thank you for the gift of baptism that frees me to live my life for others and for the glory of God. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Thank you for this food and for mouths to eat, help us to serve you with our hands and our feet. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God clothe you with a new life in Christ. (Colossians 3:4, 10)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- ❑ What accomplishments of yours would you like others to know about?
- ❑ Why is it that for some people successes in life never seem to be enough?
- ❑ Is there comfort in knowing that your real identity is hidden from the world until Christ is revealed in glory? Explain.

DEVOTIONS

Read: Colossians 3:1-11.

This passage begins with baptismal imagery (“you have been raised with Christ”) that had already been established in verse 2:12: “When you were buried with him in baptism, you were already raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead.” It is important to see the baptismal life in chapter three not as a rejection of bodily, earthly things, but affirming the higher calling in this daily life. In baptism we put to death—repent of—the sin that dwells within and among us (vv. 5-9). We are freed from looking for personal glory (v. 3) to care for others in a way that sees all as united in Christ whether “Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free” (v. 11). What a gift of life: in baptism we are freed from focusing on ourselves—from looking for personal recognition in life—so that the whole body can be served with love. Our lives are hidden in Christ yet also visible as a people united in Christ. Therefore, your life is freed from sin so that you are able to serve others. In what ways do you feel freed in Christ to serve others?

Pray: Gracious Lord Jesus, thank you for freeing me from the need for personal recognition so that I can recognize the need of others. Amen.

SERVICE

In Luke 12:12-21 we find the parable of the rich fool. “Rich toward God” (v. 21) means we are to be generous with the treasures we have and not keep everything for ourselves. The theme of this reading is, “Don’t be greedy, give to the needy!” Begin a tradition of giving up some of the money you might spend going out to eat or to a movie and save it to give to a charity at the end of the year.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Psalms 49:1-12 discusses the folly of trusting in riches as eventually we leave our wealth to others whether we want to or not. Sharing with others our time, talents, treasures, and caring is a Christian tradition. Learning to give to others begins in the home. Place grapes or cookies in a bowl. How many would you need to be satisfied? The foolish rich man would want them all! How about you? Think this week about how you nurture an atmosphere of sharing and giving in your home.



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OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

8:30 – 3:00 pm

Wednesday

8:30 – 4:00 pm

Friday

8:30 – 2:00pm

May vary in the summer

BUILDING HOURS

Monday –Thursday

8:30 am – 7:00 pm

Friday - Sunday

8:30 am – 2:00 pm

WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday – 9:00 am and 5:30 pm