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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.



September 29 – October 6

Sunday 9/29	Worship	8:30 & 10:30 am
	Sunday school starts	9:30 am
	Altar Guild Meeting	7:00 pm
	3rd Grade Bible Class	11:45am –1:00pm
Monday 9/30	Library reserved	6:00–8:00 pm
Tuesday 10/01	Men's Bible Study	6:15/7:00 am
	3rd Grade Bible Class	6:00-7:00 pm
Wednesday 10/02	WOW	3:15 – 5:00 pm
	Confirmation	
	1st Communion Class	3:15 pm
	Theology on Tap	
Thursday 10/03	Breakfast Club	7:07 am
	Women's Bible Study	8:15 am
Friday 10/04		
Saturday 10/05	Worship at 5:30 pm	
	Wedding – off site	
Sunday 10/06	Worship	8:30 & 10:30 am
	Baptism – Hennager	

OCTOBER VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION:	8:30 – Jill Hanson
	10:30 – Dana Boen
USHERS	8:30 – Alex Gay, Todd Gay, Daren Sagedahl & Bret Neubauer
	10:30 – Doug Steffel & Clayton Erickson
ACOLYTES	8:30 – Kaden Bahl & John Morse
	10:30 – Tatum Mages & McKenna Jensen
CLICKER	8:30 AM – Kaden Fischer
	10:30 AM – Bjorn Hausken
ALTAR GUILD:	Eleanor Ziesmer, Sara Benson & Sheila Pietig

Cross of Calvary Care Team is looking for volunteers to drive members of our church to worship service. Please sign up on the “Board” if you are able to help. Thank YOU!!



A note to all members about Cross of Calvary Confirmation Class

Confirmation students will be studying Genesis chapter 3. It is commonly known as “The Fall”. If you are interested in learning more, come Wednesday night at 6:30. At 7 Pastor Matt will lead a small group in the sanctuary digging further into this topic.

Confirmation Meals for October

- October 2 – Richard Sigurdson
- October 9 - OPEN
- October 16 – No Confirmation (MEA)
- October 23 – Confirmation Banquet
- October 30 - Jurgensen & Serbus

Cross of Calvary Youth

Coffee Hour Servers for October

- October 6 – Gregg & Cathy Helin
Taylor & Tanya Serbus
Mark & Wendy Jurgensen
- October 13 - Craig & Chrissy Boen
Jill & Andy Wohnoutka
Scott & Katie Bremseth
- October 20 - No Coffee hour, Blue Jean Sunday
- October 27 - Cory & Skye Hebrink
Ryan & Kelsie Aeikens
Ryan & Jen Blad



The new Basketball back board is here – we need to find a group to install. – Please contact the office if interested. 320-523-1574

Sunday School Service Project

We're going to be putting together Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief on October 20. We'd love your help in collecting items for these kits. We'd like to put together at least 90 kits – one for each child in Sunday School.

- Lightweight bath sized towels
- Bath sized bars of soap
- Adult size toothbrushes
- Sturdy combs
- Metal nail clippers



Details:

- Towels should be 20" x 40", dark colored and light weight, making them easier to hand wash and dry. Please do not donate heavyweight towels larger than 52" x 27"
 - Please give new items only
 - Please do not donate items with religious, patriotic or military symbols
- Kits are shipped all over the world to aid people after natural disasters, wars and armed conflicts. Recently, kits were sent to refugee camps in Angola and Lebanon.

**Please have items to the church by Wednesday, October 16th.
Items will be packaged on Sunday, October 20th. Thank You**

Cross of Calvary Events for Sept. /Oct.

September 29th – Altar Guild Meeting at 7:00 pm

Third Grade Bible Class at 11:45 – 1:00

October 1st – Third Grade Bible Class at 6:00 – 7:00 pm

October 5th – Wedding Hawkinson/Roach - offsite

October 9th – Church Council Meeting at 7:30

October 20th – Blue Jean Sunday

October 23rd – Confirmation Banquet

October 24th – 26th – Craft Retreat

October 27th – Confirmation Service at 10:30 service

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.



Linda Cole – Nathan Cole's mother
Family of Barb Gomarko – Friends
Family of Corine Skogen – Gladie's niece
Bev Beckman – Gordy & Lynnette Blem
Luella Norberg – Gordy & Lynnette Blem
Kathy Brown – Family and Friends
George Adkins – Betsy Hennen's father
Marvin Balgaard – Joanne Balgaard brother in law
Ron Balgaard – Joanne Balgaard brother in law
Nancy Weyerhaeuser – Boen's & Altmann's

Ione Parsons – Gladie's sister
Neva – Angie Boen sister
Shirley Kircher - Friends
Jim Ebbers – Sam Zeitz father

Community News

"Scandinavian" Smorgasbord at First Lutheran Church in Renville on Sunday, October 13th from 11:15 – 1:00. Cost is \$11.00 adults, ages 12 & under \$5.00, under 5 Free. See flyer for more information.

Faith United Methodist Church: Olivia MN, Roast Beef Supper will be on Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2019. Serving from 4:30 – 7:00 pm. Menu features: Roast Beef, Real Potatoes, Homemade gravy, buttered corn, Coleslaw, Rolls, Pumpkin dessert & Beverage. Cost: Adults - \$12.00, Ages 5-12 \$6.00 and Preschool – free. Take out available.

Come & Go Baby Shower for mother to be Makenzie Gartner: October 5 from 10:00 – 12:00 at the CCOC. (father Craig Gartner)

Aasen Family Support Event: This event is for Ivy Johnson's (former member and daughter of Bernie & Faye Johson) husband who has been diagnosed with Usher Syndrome Type 2A – please see flyer for more information if you would like to support the family.

United Lutheran Church in Lake Lillian is hosting its Annual FALL FESTIVAL from 5:00 – 7:00 pm on Thursday, Oct. 3rd. Menu: Swedish meatball supper. Cost: Adults \$10.00, 6-12 \$3.00 and 5 yrs under Free.

St. Aloysius Church in Olivia invites you to join us on Sunday, October 13, 2019 for our annual Fall Festival. Our event begins with Mass at 10:00 am. Continue your day with a homemade fried chicken dinner that includes mashed potatoes and gravy, candied carrots, coleslaw, dinner roll, pumpkin dessert and beverage served from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm. The cost is \$12.00 for adults or take-outs and \$6.00 for children 10 & under.

Adult Grief Support: Carris Health Redwood Clinic from Oct. 7 – Nov. 11, 2019. Time: 2-4 pm, more information on east entrance board.



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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

BUILDING HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday
8:30 – 7:00 pm

Wednesday
8:30 – 8:00

Friday
8:30 – 2:00pm

WORSHIP TIMES

Saturday - 5:30 pm

Sunday – 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Sunday school – 9:30 – 10:20 am

**September 29th, 2019
Sixteenth Sunday after
Pentecost**



HYMN OF THE WEEK

O Master, Let Me Walk with You

Fight the good fight of faith.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Luke 16:19-31	Poor Lazarus and the rich man
Monday	Amos 6:1a, 4-7	Judgment for a self-Indulgent life
Tuesday	1 Timothy 6:6-19	The good fight of faith
Wednesday	Proverbs 22:2-16	The value of a good reputation
Thursday	Ephesians 2:1-10	From death to life
Friday	2 Corinthians 8:8-15	Generous giving
Saturday	Psalms 146	Praise for God's help
Sunday	Luke 17:5-10	Faith the size of a mustard seed

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. **1 Timothy 6:12 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

God of love, rich in mercy, feed us and strengthen us in faith that we may tell of your goodness and act with kindness to all. In Jesus' name, amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Lord, we're so blessed with the food you've sent. May we be thankful and content. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord open

CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- ☑ What are some of your favorite topics you like to talk about with your friends and family?
- ☑ Do you ever talk about the Christian faith with others? Why or why not?
- ☑ How does talking about your faith in Jesus make a difference in your life?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Luke 16:19-31.

The Christian faith makes a difference in what we do, what we value, and what we see around us. The rich man in our story enjoyed himself immensely while Lazarus was outside his door starving and covered in sores. Even the dogs saw Lazarus and licked his wounds, but the rich man appeared to see and do nothing. In the parable that shows Lazarus in heaven with Abraham and the rich man in torment in Hades, the rich man wants help for himself and for his family. The help they needed was in the faith extolled in the Bible, the message of Moses and the prophets. If they cannot find comfort and direction from the Bible, even seeing someone rise from the dead will not help. God's persistent care of us, fully shown in Jesus' life, death and resurrection, has always been made known. To trust in the resurrection is to trust in the God of justice and mercy, a faith we are called to live each day. Where do you see a Lazarus in need near you? How does Jesus' resurrection lead you to a new way of life?

Pray: **Almighty God, you call us to a life of action and to confess our trust in your goodness. Help us to fight the good fight of faith in word and deed, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SERVICE

Psalm 146 offers praise for God's help. Communities of faith strive to serve others with justice and mercy. It is through God's help that they "execute justice for the oppressed and give food to the hungry" (v. 7). How does your faith community help the needy and feed the hungry? How can you be part of those efforts?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Paul encourages us to "do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share" (1Timothy 6:18). It is a Christian tradition to give generously to others. Find a large box and label it, "The Generosity Box". Take a walk around your home and look in closets and drawers. Fill the box with items you no longer need or use. When it is full, decide where you will donate the items. Fill the box again in the future as a continued practice of giving to others.