

CROSS OF CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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320-523-1574

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| CHURCH HOURS | | OFFICE HOURS |
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| Monday | 8:30a – 7:00p | 8:30am – 4:30pm |
| Tuesday | 8:30a – 5:00p | 8:30am – 4:30pm |
| Wednesday | 8:30a – 7:00p | 8:30am – 7:00pm |
| Thursday | 8:30a – 5:00p | 8:30am – 4:30pm |
| Friday | 8:30a – 5:00p | 8:30am – 2:00pm |
| Saturday | 8:00a – 5:00p | |
| Sunday | 8:00a – 5:00p | |

Need access to the church?
Craig Boen 522-0266
Laurie Schultze 522-1199

WORSHIP SERVICES:

September 11– May13
Sunday Worship 8:30am & 10:30am
Sunday School and Coffee Hour 9:30am
Saturday Vespers 5:30 pm

Radio Broadcast of Service: Sundays, 7:30am -K100FM

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Matt Hausken,
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Minister of Faith Formation: Chelsey Plumley,
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Music: Kathy Reese

Sextons: Chet & Angie Boen, Craig Boen

Sunday School Superintendent: Jill Hanson

Council: Todd Gay, *President*

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| Dave Altmann | Gordy Blem | Brian Boen |
| Jennifer Grund | Cindy Johnson | Sandra Whited |
| Keith Larson | Greg Mertens | Marie Rauenhorst |
| Nanette Serbus | David Torgelson | |

Treasurer: Curt Sather

SERVICE TO THE CHURCH

Volunteers are needed each Sunday. Please offer to fill in. The sign up sheet is on the BOARD. Thank you for serving!

APR Altar Guild—V Wertish, M Hanson, K Brown

Communion Assts.

Apr 1 & 15 8:30 – T Gay 10:30 – G Mertens

Readers

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| APR 1 | 8:30 - | 10:30- |
| APR 8 EASTER | 6:30 - | 9:00- |
| APR 15 | 8:30 - T Gay | 10:30- |
| APR 22 | 8:30 - | 10:30- |
| APR 29 | 8:30 - | 10:30- |

Acolytes APR Mitchel Crow Evan Jansen

APR Ushers

8:30am - E Skeie, j Skeie, L Fahse, R Fahse

10:30 am – Steve & Sue Altmann family

Committee Meetings

Committee meetings are usually held on the *3rd Wed. of each month, beginning at 7:00pm* in the Fellowship Hall. This includes the following committees: *Parish Life, Missions, Parish Ed., Property, Technology, Worship & Music, Youth Ministry, Evangelism*

Committee Meetings—April 18 @ 7pm

Council Meeting—April 18 @ 8pm

April Communion Dates ~ 1st and 15th

MAY FOLLOWER deadline is April 19
Assemble the Follower at 1pm on April 24

Weekly Bulletin Deadline is Thursday by noon.
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Prayer

MILITARY – (listed until notified of their return)

Carolyn Wertish-Heiser, Todd Hammerschmidt, Paul Plumley, Joshua Keyser and Jake Dillon,

PRAYERS OF HEALING & STRENGTH

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|----------------------|---------------------|
| Jeff Holmer | [K. Erickson] |
| Diana Adkins | [B Hennen] |
| Jim Plumley | [C Plumley] |
| Nikki Gleasner | [M Hanson] |
| Chet Boen | [A Boen] |
| Madison Travers | [K Barta] |
| Justin Lothert | [graduates of 2011] |
| Christie Engelman | [S Grasmon] |
| Mike Gregoire | [D Boen] |
| Mike Bruns | [M Brown Family] |
| Theresa Buesgens | [L Baumgartner] |
| Julie Mitchell | [W Stucke] |
| Al Engstrom | [R Linde] |
| Randy Akre | [J Weis] |
| Gina Wog | [L Schultze] |
| Bruce McElmury | [C Mallak] |
| DJ Lubenske | [C Mallak] |
| Megan Buysse | [S Kubesh] |
| Chuck & Connie Grewe | [V Mittlestadt] |
| Verna Mertz | [R Mertz] |
| Denny Balgaard | [J Balgaard] |

Praise

Welcome Haeden Robert Honzay in Baptism on March 11.
Haeden's parents are Travis and Maegen Honzay

Adding loved ones to the Prayer and Praise Lists:

Please gain permission.

- Fill out a request form: found in the pews & on the BOARD, or use the Prayer page at our website - crossofcalvary.net
- Names will remain on the list as indicated on the request form and then removed.
- If you feel someone should remain on the list, please resubmit the name to the office.

CHURCH NEWS

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HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday 1:00pm & 7:00pm
 Good Friday 7:00pm
 No Saturday Vespers
 Easter Sunday 6:30am & 9:00am

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The 2012 altar flower list is on the BOARD and ready for names. Simply sign up for a Sunday, and someone will call to assist you.

SUCCESS! Match the Carpet— We have raised enough funds to order the carpet for the Fellowship Hall. Installation should take place in May.

Balcony Carpet Fund Raiser?? YES!!!! We only need half as much carpet as the Fellowship Hall. That's 96 square yards @ \$37.50 per square yard (this includes materials and installation). We'll keep track of our progress on the tote board in the Narthex. When adding your support for this fundraiser to your regular giving, simply designate as follows:
Regular offering \$ ___ & Balcony Fund \$ ___

Palm Sunday Breakfast - Sun, Apr 1st. Scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit, juice, milk, coffee 9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Please check the Youth Board for worker and donation sign-up sheets.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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| 04/01 | Ziesmer, Eleanor | 04/16 | Slagter, Kathy | 04/27 | Visser, Cole |
| 04/01 | Schlomann, Mark | 04/16 | Flemming, Christine | 04/28 | Wurm, Vonie |
| 04/02 | Larson, Keith | 04/17 | Vogt, Edith | 04/28 | Wertish, Naomi |
| 04/02 | Hennen, Jacob | 04/18 | Beckler, Ronald | 04/29 | Van Der Hagen, Karen |
| 04/03 | Kubesh, Sandy | 04/18 | Mittelstadt, Annie | 04/29 | Johnson, Scott |
| 04/03 | Siems, Brody | 04/19 | Johnson, Benjamin | 04/29 | Handt Jr., James |
| 04/04 | Berg, Colin | 04/21 | Prokosch, Keely Jo | 04/29 | Helmer, Alen |
| 04/04 | Garcia, Hayli[V] | 04/22 | Vogt, Paul | 04/29 | Mallak, Eric |
| 04/04 | Amsden, Tanner | 04/22 | Hanson, William | 04/30 | Revier, Gene |
| 04/05 | Hebrink, Carrie Jo | 04/22 | Tuthill, Drew | 04/30 | Jandl, James |
| 04/06 | Jacobson, Terry | 04/23 | Abraham, Deloris | | |
| 04/07 | Lund, Clare | 04/23 | Wertish, Joshua | | |
| 04/07 | Bratsch, Darin | 04/24 | Senkyr, Carol | | |
| 04/08 | Mertz, Josselyn | 04/24 | Wertish, Barb | | |
| 04/09 | Slaughter, Kristina | 04/24 | Boen, Noah | | |
| 04/09 | Balderston, Benjamin | 04/25 | Lingl, Timothy | | |
| 04/09 | Altmann, Lanie | 04/25 | Lingl, Tayler | | |
| 04/10 | Iverson, Sarah | 04/25 | Revier, Moira | | |
| 04/10 | Stovern, Brady | 04/26 | Erickson, Howard | | |
| 04/11 | Alton, Richard | 04/27 | Garcia, Elisha[V] | | |
| 04/14 | Erickson, Katie | 04/27 | Weber, Camille | | |
| 04/15 | Johnson, Mitchell | 04/27 | Larson, Eva | | |

Have you subscribed to the Blog yet? As a subscriber, you will receive email notices when that church staff posts on the Blog. Don't worry; we won't clutter your in-box. Chelsey and Pastor send a message just once a week, and Laurie publishes the weekly bulletin. And...the Follower also is published on the Blog!!!!

The Woodbury Chorus and Orchestra, directed by Robert Murphy, Andrew Peterson, and Richard Alton will present "How Can I Keep From Singing, Songs of the American Spirit" at 4:00 pm on April 1, 2012 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 220 S. 10th St., Bird Island, MN.

The concert is free and no tickets are required. Everyone is welcome!

Benefit for Al and Cheri Engstrom: Saturday, April 21, 2012 from 3-9pm at the American Legion in Olivia. BBQ, grilled hot dogs, salads, chips, bars – free will donation. Silent auction, bake sale and bracelets. Al was diagnosed with brain cancer and has undergone surgery, radiation and chemo. Another surgery is scheduled soon. Al is unable to work and Cheri misses work as his caregiver. Questions can be referred to Doug or Brenda Erickson at 320-365-4836.

NOG - Help Us Fly South – Notice the big "JETS" in the Narthex? Help the youth kids with the cost of airfare by filling up the envelopes on the Narthex Windows. Choose from \$1.00 all the way up to \$50.00. Mix and match envelopes together or individually. They can be filled and dropped off in the church office or given to Chelsey. Thanks for your support!!

February Food Shelf Donations – 9 pounds and \$21 to the Renville County Food Shelf. *Thank you, donors!*





Hello All!

Spring has sprung at Cross of Calvary!

We are excited for growth and renewal and we are energized to get out to enjoy God's creation! As the grass turns back to green and buds begin sprouting, remember how wonderful and beautiful change can be.

- Chelsey Plumley, Minister of Faith Formation cocfyouth@gmail.com Facebook: Chels Plumley

Check out the Faith Blog at www.crossofcalvary.net Chelsey will be writing twice a month.

UPCOMING YOUTH/FAMILY EVENTS

- APRIL – 1st Palm Sunday Breakfast
- SPRING FLING SALES BEGIN
- 2nd Cell-a-bration 3:05 pm
- 14th – Graceful Parenting 10:30 AM
- 15th - Bridge Builders 9:30 AM
- SPRING FLING SALES END
- 22nd – CLOCK 6:10, CCOC, gr 10-12
- 25th – Last WoW, Wee WoW, Conf.

COFFEE SCHEDULE

- April 1st – No Coffee – Palm Sunday breakfast
- April 8th – OPEN
- April 15th – S. Johnson, M. Morse, T. Jansen, R. Sigurdson
- April 22 – NOG Revier, Mertens, Bellig
- April 29th – OPEN
- May 6th – K. Kubesh, A. Thompson, T. Prokosch, Torkelson

Programs ending:

Sunday School:

Last day is May 13th

Wow & WeeWow:

Last day is April 22nd

Confirmation:

Last day is April 25th

Spring Fling!

Grass! Flowers!

Sun! Grilling!

Spring Fling Flower Sales



Spring! - start April 1 and end April 15.

Last day to turn in youth orders is April 16th.

Packets will be e-mailed or can be picked up on Youth Board.

Orders can be turned into the church office or given to Sue Erickson or Sandy Padrnos.

Spring Fling Customers can pick up their orders on Friday, May 11 from 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. or Saturday, May 12 from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.

This is a change from previous years. a Grilled supper will be available during Friday's pick up times.



Contact Sue Erickson (523-5010) or Sandy Padrnos – (522-0475) for more info.

LOOKING FOR A SAFE INVESTMENT? BUY STOCK IN NOG!

Each level of stock receives all items listed above along with a chance to have your name in our GRAND PRIZE drawing per each \$25 purchased

| AMOUNT PURCHASED | RECEIVE |
|------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Up to \$25 -- | Stock Certificate & Personalized postcard from NOG |
| \$25 -- | Packet of 5 photo cards |
| \$50 -- | Official New Orleans Souvenir – Masks or a CD/DVD of all Trip pictures |
| \$100 -- | 8x10 Framed matted print, & 4x6 group photo from trip |

By purchasing Stock, you are entitled to receive the gift(s) within one month of group returning in July 2012

THE GRAND PRIZE will be a catered Cajun or French Dinner for two and a New Orleans gift basket with the following:

- Beignet mix from the infamous Café Du Monde
- Authentic souvenirs from New Orleans (unsure exactly of items but will be brought up from New Orleans)
- French Market coffee.

You may put your name in the drawing without purchasing stock. Contact Chelsey for more information.

Thank you for your support as we head out on this huge faith adventure. Remember us in your prayers as we continue preparing.

-New Orleans Gathering Youth 2012

YOUTH MISSION TRIP PLEDGE CARD

Name: _____

Youth to Sponsor _____

Phone # _____

Amount of Stock Purchased: \$25 \$50 \$100
 \$150 \$250 Other _____

Each \$25 spent puts your name into a drawing for our Grand Prize listed above.

Please provide your mailing address for postcard: _____

If purchasing stock above \$100, Print Choice (Pick One):

- Historical site Louisiana landscape
- Mass worship photo Praise

Return this form to Chelsey to redeem your Stock, and enter into our drawing.



Pastor's Corner
March 2012

"When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, 'who will roll away the stone from the entrance to the tomb?' When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.' So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid." (Mark 16:1-8)

That's it. That's where most biblical scholars believe the Gospel of Mark ends. I know that you can open up your Bibles and see it go to Mark 16:20. But, it is now a widely held belief among those scholars that those verses were an add-on.

Why would they do this? I think a better question would be, "Why wouldn't they do this?". ". . . and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid." is a horrible ending. It can't end there with fear and terror. It is incomplete. We aren't told what becomes of any of them. We don't even get to see the risen Jesus!

But, that could be the point that Mark could be trying to make. This is our gospel. This is good news for us! We are not just observers of a story that happened thousands of years ago. We are participants in this story! The risen Lord comes to us and it is up to us to fill in the rest of the story. Now that he has met you in the midst of fears and uncertainties and everyday life and you know that he has risen, what are you going to do? That becomes our joyful question as we live out our lives in the midst of the cross and resurrection.

A very blessed Easter season to all of you!!!!

In Christ,

Pastor Matt

APRIL 2012

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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| 1 Palm Sunday/Communion 8:30 & 10:30 Sun. Sch. & Coffee Hr 9:30 | 2 Matens 7am FH reserved 3:00- 4:30 | 3 Men's Bible Study 6:15am & 7:00am Matens 7am | 4 NO Youth Programming Matens 7am Men's Park View Bible Study 9:00am WOW/WeeWOW/Choirs 3:15-4:30 | 5 Maundy Thursday 1pm and 7pm Matens 7am Breakfast Club 7:07am | 6 Matens 7am Good Friday 7pm | 7 No Vespers |
| 8 Easter Morning 6:30 & 9:00 NO Sunday School | 9 | 10 Men's Bible Study 6:15am & 7:00am | 11 Men's Park View Bible Study 9:00am WOW/WeeWOW/Choirs | 12 Breakfast Club 7:07am | 13 | 14 Vespers/Communion 5:30pm Graceful Parenting 10:30am |
| 15 Worship/Communion 8:30 & 10:30 Sun. Sch. & Coffee Hr 9:30 Bridge Builders for infants to K & parents 9:30 FH reserved 1p-5p | 16 | 17 Men's Bible Study 6:15am & 7:00am | 18 Men's Park View Bible Study 9:00am WOW/WeeWOW/Choirs 3:15-4:30 Confirmation 5:30 Committee Mtgs 7pm Council 8pm | 19 Breakfast Club 7:07am | 20 | 21 Vespers 5:30pm |
| 22 Kids' Choirs Sing Worship 8:30 & 10:30 CLOCK @ CCOC 6:10pm Sun. Sch. & Coffee Hr 9:30 | 23 Ruth Study 1:30 HF reserved 6:30 | 24 Men's Bible Study 6:15am & 7:00am LAST WOW/WeeWOW/Choirs 3:15-4:30 LAST Confirmation 5:30 | 25 Men's Park View Bible Study 9:00am | 26 Breakfast Club 7:07am Dorcas Study 9:30 | 27 | 28 Vespers 5:30pm |
| 29 Worship 8:30 & 10:30 Sun. Sch. & Coffee Hr 9:30 | 30 | 31 | | | | |