

Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church – ELCA

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Fall Worship

- Saturday Vespers 5:30 pm
- Sunday Worship 8:30am & 10:30am
- Sunday School and Coffee Hour 9:30am

Office Hours

Mon - Tues	8:30 - 4:30	Wednesday	8:30 - 7:00
Thursday	8:30 - 4:30	Friday	8:30 - 2:00

Facility Hours

Mon - Thurs	8:30 - 7:00	Need access?
Fri—Sun	8:30 - 2:00	Craig 522-0266
		Laurie 522-1199

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

Communion

NOV 4, 18 DEC 2, 16, 24

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Matt Hausken,

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Music: Kathy Reese **Sextons:** The Boens

Sunday School Superintendent: Jill Hanson

Council: Todd Gay, *President*

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

NOVEMBER VOLUNTEERS

Altar Guild—B Miller, J Schultes, S Erickson

Communion

8:30 J Grund 10:30 K Larson

Ushers

8:30 – D Hagen, G Hagen, J Kopacek, C Lund
10:30 – B Wertish, J Wertish, J Rock, R Johnson

Acolytes

E Skeie, M Fennern

Coffee Host

NOV 4 Parish Life NOV 11
NOV 18 Youth NOV 25

Altar Flowers - The sign up sheet is on the BOARD

Readers - The sign up sheet is on the BOARD

Committee Meetings

Committee meetings are usually held on the *3rd Wed. of each month, beginning at 6:00pm* in the Fellowship Hall. This includes the following committees: *Parish Life, Missions, Parish Ed., Property, Technology, Worship & Music, Youth Ministry, Evangelism*

EARLY • Committee Meetings—November 14 at 6pm
• Council Meeting—November 14 at 7pm

PRAYERS of HEALING & STRENGTH

*Jeff Holmer	[K Erickson]
*David Rahn	[C Johnson]
*Diana Adkins	[B Hennen]
*Nikki Gleasner	[M Hanson]
*Jim Stadtherr	[J Stadtherr]
*Sean Ziesmer	[E Ziesmer]
*Ben Dirks	[G Blem]
*Ashley Frank	[D Sagedahl]
*Joann Hawkinson	[Family]
*Joyce Harguth	[S Bratsch]
*Rosalie Sheggeby	[N Hague]
*Marie Peterson	[M Hausken]
*Donna Boese	[K van der Hagen]
*Connie Grewe	[V Mittlestadt]
*Lily Kern	[B Miller]
*Sonja Fostvedt	[B Fostvedt]

PRAISE

*for the life and faith of Jack Wagemaker

Adding loved ones to the Prayer & Praise Lists:

- Please gain permission.
- Fill out a request form: found in the pews & office, or use the Prayer Page at crossofcalvary.net
- Names will remain on the list as indicated on the request form and then removed (max of one month).
- If you feel someone should remain on the list, please resubmit the name to the office.

December FOLLOWER deadline is Nov 19
Assemble the Follower at 1pm on Nov 28—Wed.
Weekly Bulletin Deadline is Thursday by noon.

CHURCH NEWS

September Food Shelf Donations – 83 pounds to the Renville County Food Shelf. *Thank you, donors!*

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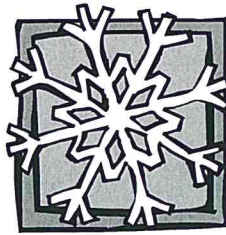
Attendance:

Sept 23—162 Sept 30—165 Oct 7—177 Oct 10—225

Snowflake Bazaar

Saturday, Dec 1 11am—1pm

Join us for the Christmas Attic, Silent Auction, and Bake Sale. The luncheon is always fantastic!



And...The committee is always looking for new ideas! Contact Faye, Mary or Bonnie to offer your creative thoughts. As you begin your holiday baking, this year, please remember to set aside some goodies for the bake sale. If you can lend a hand setting up on Friday night or help out on Saturday, your time and dedication is appreciated!

Christmas Attic donations will be accepted beginning Nov19. You may leave them on the table and along the south wall in the library. Please do not bring items early, as our library is used often.

Comfort Meals

In the past, the Parish Life Committee has organized comfort meals for families who need the loving support of a hot meal delivered to their home. This ministry has been much appreciated for those who have received these meals in the past. If you know of a family who is going thru a time of illness, loss or just brought home a new baby and could use a few meals, please contact the church office so we are aware of the need. We typically offer 4 to 5 meals at designated times as determined by the receiving family. Karen Flom or Lynnette Blem will be in touch with each family to determine number of meals being requested, schedule of delivery, likes and dislikes.

This is a wonderful ministry, but it takes a community!! Please consider being a part of our meal providers' team. It is a ministry that is easy and rewarding. When we are aware of a need, a 'mass e-mail' is sent out to those who are a part of our team and then can sign up (or not, depending on your own commitments), and reply to the entire group what day you have selected to make a comfort meal. For those of you who do not wish to communicate by e-mail, we will be glad to call and see if you are able to help.

If you are willing to help with this ministry or want more information, please contact Laurie in the office 523-1574 or at crossofcalvary@gmail.com. You may also contact Lynnette Blem at 523-5083 or at gblem1977@gmail.com.

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CHECK OUT the NEW Cross of Calvary **LINKS** TAB at crossofcalvary.net



You can catch up with Ashley on her Blog <http://ashley-in-malaysia.blogspot.com/>

Who, me?

Tuesday, October 9, 2012

Walking the streets of Keningau I can't help but hope that I don't stick out more than the average person. But, who am I kidding? I'm obviously a stranger to this place.

Sunday after church I sat in a restaurant with friends eating my fried noodles with my skilled chopstick maneuvers. I realized later that I hadn't even taken in the surroundings because I knew people were staring at me, and I just couldn't handle acknowledging it. I remember thinking, "So this is what it's like to be an outsider!"

I've never been one to want unnecessary attention, but I have no choice in it here. Naturally my mind shifts to what to make of the situation, and then I remember a favorite quote of mine that always seems to be remembered at moments when I feel a little lost and small in this great big world.

Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate.

Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure.

It is our light, not our darkness, that most frightens us.

We ask ourselves, who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented, fabulous?

Actually, who are you not to be?

You are a child of God.

Your playing small does not serve the world.

There is nothing enlightening in shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you.

We are all meant to shine as children do.

We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us.

It's not just in some of us; it's in everyone.

And as we let our own lights shine, we unconsciously give others the permission to do the same.

As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others." Marianne Williamson

Of course I am different, but so is each and every person. I look forward to conversations, relationships, and reflections that will help me to grow and be more confident in the person that I am and the person that I have been created to be. I hope that in due time I will not feel like I do not belong, but that I can identify my purpose and go confidently in the direction of that purpose, loving, enjoying, and embracing each person and situation as they are presented.

Service Opportunity for Junior High Gathering - We need your help! Junior High Gathering participants will be invited to make Thanksgiving cards for people in need of something to brighten their day: nursing home residents, homebound, college/away from home, hospitalized, deployed military, etc. Please help us put together the lists of people to receive cards! If you have names of friends, family or congregation members who would appreciate a card, send them our way. Email a list to pastor-stephanie@calvarylutheranchurch.com. Also, donations to help cover the cost of postage would be appreciated, and may be sent to the Synod office at SWMN Synod, Box 499, Redwood Fall, MN 56283

Thank you for your patience! The technology committee has taken the opportunity, during the installation of the balcony carpet, to begin reconfiguring the audio and visual equipment for worship. We've eliminated unnecessary hardware, rerouted wiring and are in the process of upgrading additional hardware. Work on the sound system was completed in time for the Oct 21st services. At the time of this publication, the screen system should be running in time for the 10th grade Confirmation on Oct. 28

Fellowship Hall Bulletin Board- Did you ever wonder how the Fellowship Hall bulletin boards "magically" change throughout the year? One volunteer has been doing it for years, and has shared her last one this summer. Let's continue sharing God's word and blessings through the messages on the bulletin boards. The fall theme is up, and will remain in place for Oct and Nov. The bulletin boards will be changed out every two months. Who will be the next to come up with one for the Christmas season-December and January? How about you?? Or your family??? Contact Laurie with questions.

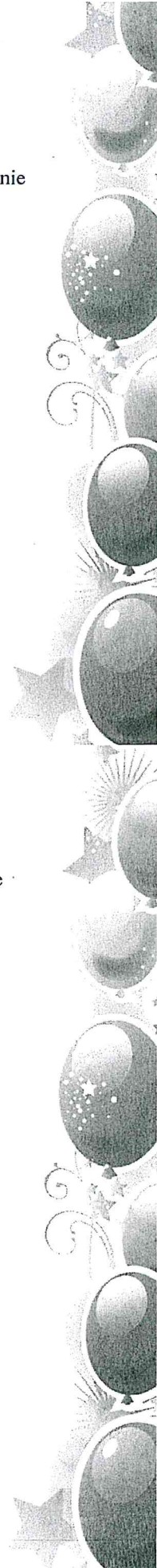
Lutefisk and Meatball Supper - 17th Annual Lutheran Men in Mission, Thur, Nov 15, from 4:30-6:30. Gloria Dei Lutheran Church - Redwood. Adults \$12, Under 12 - \$5, Preschoolers are free.

Providing a PEACE of Prevention - Patty Wetterling will speak at the Safe Avenues/Renville County Outreach - Make a Difference Event. Fri, Nov 16. Ticket information is on the Community Board.

Happy Birthday

11/28	Folkerts, Debra
11/29	Hahn, Uva
11/29	Lilja, Emy
11/30	McDowell, Elaine
11/30	Enestvedt, Wayne
11/30	Kingery, Mia

11/01	Shockley, Arlis
11/01	Sportel, Karen
11/01	Revier, Scott
11/02	Meints, Kenneth
11/02	Malvin (Dahl), Stephanie
11/02	Erickson, Kylie
11/03	Jensen, McKenna
11/04	Kelly, Lee
11/05	Maurice, Wayne
11/05	Gatsche, Christopher
11/06	Draheim, Virginia
11/06	Ziesmer, Ken
11/06	Baumgartner, Larry
11/06	Revier, Alexandra
11/07	Fostvedt, Todd
11/07	Amsden, Taylor
11/07	Boen, Rylee
11/08	Johnston, John
11/08	Jacobson, Milo
11/08	Weis, Jody
11/08	Honzay, Adam
11/09	Cusick, Bradley
11/10	Schroer, Curtis
11/10	Brown, Linda
11/10	Erickson, Sue
11/10	Reese, Brian
11/10	Johnson, Alexis
11/12	Maurice, Bruce
11/12	Johnson, Natasha
11/13	Steinbeisser, Kathy
11/13	Van Der Hagen, Jason
11/14	Enestvedt, Kris
11/14	Senger, Michael
11/14	Van Der Hagen, Jeremie
11/15	Julius, Elaine
11/15	Sather, Curt
11/15	Johnson, Gaylord
11/17	Gass, Amanda
11/17	Hague, Nancy
11/17	Sagedahl, Melissa
11/17	Sagedahl, Jordan
11/18	Herman, Frances
11/18	Beckler, Dan
11/18	Hildahl, Dylan
11/18	Wertish, Taylor
11/18	Thomas, Nathan
11/18	Gross, McKenna
11/20	Grasmon, Mark
11/20	Amsden, Chad
11/21	Mikosch, Danna
11/21	Dietrich, Ingrid
11/21	Sing, Kyndra
11/22	Jansen, Tom
11/23	Ryan, Pat
11/23	Torkelson, Haley
11/24	Wogen, Jon
11/24	Amsden, Gena
11/25	Kingery, Brian
11/25	Revier, Nicholas
11/26	Kircher, Jonathan
11/27	Schultze, Kevin



Youth and Family Ministry

November 2012

Greetings and God's Blessings!

Fall is upon us and so are the number of events and programs for our youth. Check them out. Looking for a way to help out? Ask Chelsey. We are always in need of a snack, meal, or chaperon!

- Chelsey Plumley, Minister of Faith Formation

cofcyouth@gmail.com Facebook: Chels Plumley Check out the Faith Blog at www.crossofcalvary.net

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 4 – First Communion 10:30 am
- 11 – Bridge Builders 9:30 pm
FUEL 6:30 pm @ CCOC
- 16-17 – Jr. High Gathering
- 21 – No Wednesday programming
- 25 – No Sunday School



DECEMBER

- 2 – Gal's Holiday Dinner
- 9 – Bridge Builders 9:30 AM birth – Kind.
- 16 – Sunday School Christmas Program 10:30
CLOCK Christmas Party @ CCOC 6:10
- 23/30th – No Sunday School

JANUARY

- 2 – WoW and Choirs begin after school

COFFEE HOUR

We are asking families with children in grades 2-12 to help host coffee hours to raise funds for your youth accounts.

- *Four families have been assigned for each coffee date.
- *You are asked to bring 3 dozen treats (bars, cookies, muffins).
- *Kids still in Sunday School can help set up before church.
- *Parents will be needed to host the coffee hour.
- *Directions are posted in the kitchen.
- *Money collected will be divided between the families,
- *Post cards will be sent out a week before you serve.

Contact Chelsey if you would like to serve more than one coffee, or if you would like to be removed from the list.

COFFEE SCHEDULE

- Nov 18 - S. Altman, P. Amberg, T Wertish C. Mages
- Dec 2 – A. Thompson, M. Hausken, R. Ridler, R. Jensen
- Jan 13 - D. Revier, C. Weis, S Evenson, W. Enestvedt
- Jan 27 – Youth Board members

Gal's Holiday Dinner

Are you ready for a little girl time??
Sign up on the Youth Board
to be our guest!

Sunday, December 2

6:00 – Enjoy dinner.

7:00 - Holiday fun in the Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$3.00 (those who help are free)

This is a night of fun for
ALL our ladies of ALL ages.

gr 7-12 girls: sign up to serve (conf. gals earn an
element)

Attention parents

Do you have a child too young for Sunday School??
Then this is for YOU!

Bridge Builders: Parents along with their children AGE 0- KINDERGARTEN

YOU are your child's first teacher. Begin singing "Jesus Loves Me" even before they learn their "A,B,C's"!

Chelsey will lead you in a simple Bible lesson; you turn and lead your child in the lesson provided.

What a great way to start practicing and passing on the faith!

All are welcome to BB! Come, join us November 11th at
9:30, and every 2nd Sunday of the month.

How do you show you are Thankful?

Thanks and Giving Trees

1. Cut out 2 bare trees and a handful of different colored leaves. Find a place to hang the trees.
2. Starting on November 1st cut out one leaf and write something you are thankful for.
3. Glue the leaf to the Thanks Tree.
4. Cut out another leaf and write something you did to help or give service to someone else that day. It can be as simple as a smile, singing a song to make someone feel better, or writing a letter to Grandma.
5. Glue this leaf to the Giving Tree.

Do this each day leading up to Thanksgiving.

6. On Thanksgiving read what everyone is thankful for and what they gave to others.
7. Offer up this quick prayer:

"Lord, we come to you this season with praise and thanks. You have filled our hearts with gratitude for all we have been given. Open our eyes to the service we can do, simple as it may be, to spread kindness to others. Help us to do this not only in November but throughout the year. Amen."





Pastor's Corner

November 2012

As we enter into the month of November, we are also entering more deeply into the biblically story on Sunday mornings. We have seen God make promises to his people and his people wandering from those promises and chasing after something else. We have also seen that God's response to that is not wrath but grace. He comes and offers new beginnings time and time again. We have been chosen by a wonderfully faithful God to be his people. It is our prayer that we can respond in faith each day.

Now that we are deeply involved in the story, we seem to have reached a point where God does not speak directly to a group of people. Rather, God has chosen to speak through prophets. The month of November will be dedicated to looking at a few of these prophets--some successful in their calling, others not.

But, what in the world is a prophet? We hear the word thrown out quite a bit, but what does it mean? The New Oxford Dictionary gives us this definition,:

prophet |'præfɪt| noun **1** a person regarded as an inspired teacher or proclaimer of the will of God: *the Old Testament prophet Jeremiah.*

They will also go onto describe it as, "someone who makes or claims to be able to make predictions about the future".

This last definition is the one that we most often, it seems, associate with the role of the prophet. We look to those who seem to be able to predict the future as prophets. But, to see this as the primary function of a prophet in the Bible would be to miss the point. The prophets primary role is exactly as the first definition points out. A prophet in the biblical sense is one who proclaims the will of God. Period. End of story. Do they tell what the future will be. Yes. But, they tell it in the sense of what the people will be walking into if they continue on their current path. It is similar to telling a child if they put their hand on the stove burner, they will burn themselves. If they do it and burn themselves, it doesn't mean the parent can see into the future in some magical sort of way. It only means the parent can see what the future will look like if the child acts in this way.

The role of prophet has remained the same. But, with the coming of Christ, the task of being a prophet has fallen on all who believe. We are to take our abilities, whatever they may be, and let the whole world know of God's will to give to us his son as our Savior.

Join us as we journey through the prophets in November and prepare for the fulfillment of all things in the birth of Christ, the Will and Word of God made flesh. The one that we as modern day prophets point toward!

God's grace and peace for a wonderful month of November!

In Christ,

Pastor Matt

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MON

TUE

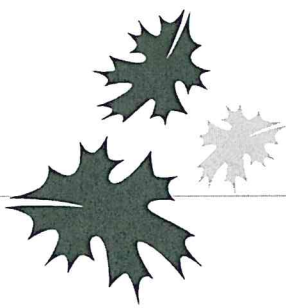

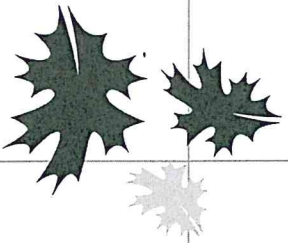
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FRI

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NOVEMBER

					1 Annual Craft Retreat	2 Annual Craft Retreat	3 Annual Craft Retreat Communion Wedding 3pm Worship 5:30pm
4 Communion Worship 8:30 & 10:30 Sunday School 9:30	5 Library reserved 2-4pm Library reserved 6:30-8:00pm	6 Men's Bible Study 6:15am & 7:00am	7 Men's Park View Bible Study 9:00am WOW 3:15-4:30 3rd Grade Bible Class 3:15 Confirmation 5:30-7:00	8 	9 Set up for Wellness Retreat 6-8:30pm Junior High Gathering in Willmar	10 Worship 5:30pm	
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25 Worship 8:30 & 10:30 NO Sunday School	26 Ruth Unit 1:30 Library reserved 6:30-8:00pm	27 Men's Bible Study 6:15am & 7:00am	28 FOLLOWER 1pm Men's Park View Bible Study 9:00am WOW 3:15-4:30 Confirmation 5:30-7:00	29	30 		

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