

Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church – ELCA

Pastor Matt Hausken

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Worship

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

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Matt Hausken,
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Administrative Assistant: Laurie Schultze
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Music: Kathy Reese **Sexton:** Craig Boens

Sunday School Superintendent: Jill Hanson

Council: Brian Boen, *President*

Dave Altmann	Gordy Blem	Todd Gay
Natashia Johnson	Cindy Johnson	Sandra Whited
Keith Larson	Eric Skeie	Marie Rauenhorst
Michelle Jensen	David Torgelson	

Treasurer: Curt Sather

VOLUNTEERS

Altar Guild D Beckler, M Rauenhorst, K O'Neil

Acolytes H Evenson, H Pietig

Communion 8:30 K Larson 10:30 N Johnson

Ushers

8:30 – B Wertish, V Wertish, M Hanson, M Hanson

10:30 – D Revier, E Revier

Coffee Host

3 _____ 10 Girl Scouts 17, 24, 31 NO coffee served

Altar Flowers 3 Whited 10, 17, 24, 31 – sign-up on the board

Committee Meetings

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

- **Committee Meetings**—None during Lent
- **Council Meeting**—March 20 at 8pm

PRAYERS of HEALING & STRENGTH

*Diana Adkins [B Hennen]

*Marge Cooper [L Schultze]

PRAISE

*for those who brave the severe winter conditions in service to others

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.

COMMUNION March 3, 17, 28, 31

Worship Schedule for LENT and EASTER

Wed. Lent Worship	Mar 6, 13, 20	7:00pm
Matens	Mar 25-29	7:00am
Maundy Thursday	Mar 28	12:00pm & 7:00pm
Good Friday	Mar 29	7:00pm
Easter Sunday	Mar 31	6:30am & 9:00am

SOUP SUPPERS on Weds during Lent, 5:30-6:30pm

Food Shelf Donations – 25.5 pounds to the Renville County Food Shelf. *Thank you, donors!*

Adult Choir. Meet in the balcony on Wed at 7:45pm. (Lent)

Note to all Sunday volunteers: As a courtesy to all those who volunteer alongside you, please try to find a fill-in whenever you are unable to be at church to serve as an usher, reader, acolyte or to serve communion.

In case of emergency: Pastor and the staff are always available, day and night, to take calls for emergencies and pastoral care. Simply call the church office at 523-1574. The answering system picks up after two rings and will direct you to the extension number for the staff member needed. His/her emergency number can be found there. Never feel as though you are bothering Pastor or the staff. They gladly make themselves available to serve as a comfort and as a resource.

The search is on for nylon (not metal) zippers that you may have purchased but have never gotten around to using. These zippers are needed to make toiletry bags for homeless persons, women's shelters, etc. If you have 1 or many, please consider donating them! Either bring them to Laurie's office or Clare Lund (523-2716). Thanks much!

Weather and Worship. Cross of Calvary does not cancel worship in case of inclement weather since Pastor lives next door. However, PLEASE make wise choices about being on the road when the weather is bad. May the Lord watch over your travels.

Jan/Feb Attendance

Jan 27	201
Feb 3	232
Feb 10	137
Feb 13	166 - Ash Wednesday
Feb 17	146



Please pick up your 2013 Envelopes in the Narthex. If you need them mailed to you, please call the office at 523-1574.

Bulletins : Please take as many bulletins for worship as needed for those with whom you worship...but take just one home. Leave the extras in the basket for the next service

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

Support Ministry – Comfort Foods: The Parish Life Committee offers blessings of food to those in need of some extra “comfort” in their lives. They bring up to 5 nights worth of meals to new moms, families suffering from loss or struggling with illness, etc. If you would like to assist with this ministry, it simply means that a few times per year you may be asked to provide one meal - feel free to share the responsibility with a friend! Please contact Laurie in the church office if you are willing to serve in this ministry.

April FOLLOWER deadline is March 18
Assemble the Follower at 1pm on Tues, March 26
Weekly Bulletin Deadline is Thursday by noon.

NOTE: We depend on members of the congregation to contact the office when you are aware of a need for this service.

Meals on Wheels

Cross of Calvary hopes you will be a volunteer for Meals on Wheels during the month of March. The sign-up sheet is on the BOARD. Choose the dates and route you wish to cover. The current list of recipients and a map will be available at the pick-up site. Pick up time is 11:30am.



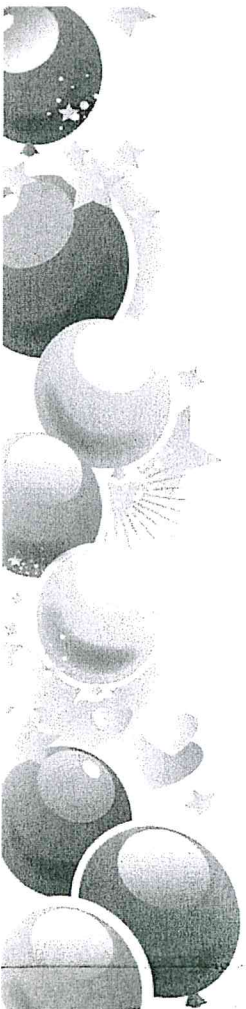
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TUMBLER! Enjoy your favorite beverage in our new insulated cup. Available in 4 colors – red, blue, orange and purple. Proceeds go to Passing on the Faith, in support of various ministries of the congregation! Available in the office



Happy Birthday

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| 03/02 | Barta, Karen | 03/15 | Dale, Jeff | 03/25 | Metteer, Angie |
| 03/03 | Adamski, Cassandra | 03/15 | Sagedahl, Drew | 03/26 | Gay, Jacob |
| 03/03 | Grund, Breanna | 03/16 | Stratton, Laurence | 03/27 | Abraham, Lyndon |
| 03/03 | Grund, Brett | 03/16 | Lingl, Jesse | 03/27 | Revier, Parker |
| 03/04 | Mallak, Duane | 03/16 | Gross, Gavin | 03/27 | Kowalski, Peyton |
| 03/04 | Senger, Matthew/Angi | 03/16 | Mages, Tatum | 03/27 | Blad, Avery |
| 03/04 | Hanson, Jack | 03/17 | Wagner, Kari | 03/29 | Mikosch, Jacob |
| 03/05 | Dahl, Ashley | 03/17 | Schmidt, August | 03/29 | Boen, Zane |
| 03/07 | Baumgartner, Andrew | 03/18 | Buhr, Paul | 03/30 | Steffel, Jan |
| 03/07 | Erickson, Emily | 03/18 | Hanson, Lorene | 03/30 | Kopel, Bobbi |
| 03/07 | Reese, Jena | 03/18 | Amberg, Gage | 03/30 | Lothert Jr., Craig |
| 03/07 | Mertens, Breann | 03/18 | Baumgartner, Colton | 03/31 | Malecek, Florence |
| 03/10 | Kircher, Kent | 03/19 | Torkelson, Trevor | 03/31 | Wick, Kevin |
| 03/10 | Amberg, Tara | 03/20 | Osthus, Anne | 03/31 | Jansen, Kayla |
| 03/10 | Helmer, Dawn | 03/20 | Dale, Cody | | |
| 03/10 | Jansen, Evan | 03/20 | Bohm, Braylon | | |
| 03/11 | Johnson, Cindy | 03/21 | Erickson, Steve | | |
| 03/12 | Fostvedt, Sonja | 03/21 | Suess, Annmarie | | |
| 03/12 | Plass, Lynn | 03/21 | Schrupp, Justin | | |
| 03/12 | Hebrink, Tyler | 03/21 | Fliflet, Karissa | | |
| 03/13 | Lilja, Josie | 03/22 | Guetter, Danielle | | |
| 03/14 | Rock, Traci | 03/24 | Schwer, Tammy | | |
| 03/14 | Serbus, Nanette | 03/24 | Kubesh, Carson | | |
| 03/14 | Aponte, Jackie | 03/24 | Holland, Andrew | | |
| 03/15 | Maurice, Mavis | | | | |





Pastor's Corner
March 2013

Grace and peace to all of you in the midst of our Lenten journey! At Cross of Calvary we have been trying something new this Lenten season. As we go through our devotional, we are posting video reflections and questions on our web site (www.crossofcalvary.net). If you haven't done so yet, why don't you check out the faith blog on our web site?

It is our hope to make this an additional opportunity throughout the year to reach all of you with the Gospel message. Let your friends know about the web site. Keep watching throughout the year for exciting offerings through the website. We are looking forward to offering faith opportunities which previously we could only have imagined. God has blessed us with a wonderful technology. It is our hope that we use it to his glory.

In that same vein, if there are any ideas that you have about how we can better utilize this gift, let us know. It is an exciting time. The church throughout the centuries has been well served when they have adapted new and innovative technologies to reach even more people with the wonderful Gospel story of Jesus Christ.

So, if going to the website hasn't been your habit, why don't you try it out. Or, if you are wondering, "now how in the world can I do this?" just ask!

As we continue on our journey, remember the 7:00 pm Wednesday services each week of Lent. And, the soup, sandwiches, and fellowship we share starting at 5:30 is something that you would enjoy; join us for the evening!

God's blessings for a wonderful month of March!

In Christ,

Pastor Matt

Congregational Council Meeting Minutes Feb 13, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 8:16 pm by Council President Brian Boen.

Members present: *Dave Altmann, Gordy Blem, Cindy Johnson, Sandy Whited, Natashaia Johnson, Todd Gay, David Torgelson, Brian Boen, Keith Larson, Eric Skeie, Michelle Jensen, Marie Rauenhorst*

Staff members present: *Matt Hausken, Laurie Schultze, Chelsey Plumley*

Devotions were led by Dave A

The minutes of the January meeting were reviewed. *A motion to approve the minutes was made by Cindy, seconded by Sandy, motion carried.*

The minutes of the special meeting were reviewed. *A motion to approve the minutes was made by Dave A, seconded by Todd, motion carried*

Financial Secretary / Treasurer Report - *A motion to approve the Fin. Sec. / Treasurer Report was made by Gordy, seconded by Todd, motion carried.*

Pastor's Report- Pastor explained Bjorn's surgery scheduled for Apr. 9. Pastor will be gone the week of Apr. 8 and home with Bjorn the following week, but available the second week. Lent is going along well. Pastor is pleased he was able to post YouTube videos to our website and to our Facebook page for part of our devotions for Lent. The church gave the council the gift of the Lent devotional, and Pastor thanked them for being leaders in our faith journey. More weddings are filling in for summer and fall. Council wished him well on his vacation.

Minister of Faith Formation's Report- Chelsey has been to several training opportunities and has come back with new ideas and is looking forward to transitioning them into our current faith program. Youth programming is going well. She explained the Lent activity she is doing with the youth called Fasting and Feasting. March includes Senior High Gathering and Urban Immersion, Palm Sun breakfast and a Soup supper. Pizza sales went smoothly. Peer Ministry is going well, with lots of kids are engaged and hearing about things they can do now, in their everyday lives.

Gordy thanked Chelsey for the great job she does with the Children's Messages.

No reports from the following committees

Youth Ministry - Worship & Music - Parish Life - Parish Education - Evangelism

Property- Dave, Keith

Dave covered the updates to meet insurance walk-through. Work was done on Parsonage. We need to put in place a formal Sexual Harassment Policy.

The washing machine was replaced in the parsonage.

World Missions - Marie

Met on Feb 12. They are planning Mission Minutes and would like to add an ELCA link to the website called Hand in Hand, as well as a link to the Howels (SIM). Placemats will be put out for soup suppers with information about world hunger and local missions. The committee may have Dan Bowman share with our congregation about his trip to Africa (CofC supported his recent journey). Marie also shared disbursements in the amounts of

- Cross of Calvary Quilters 200
- Salvation Army 500
- SIM – Howels 50/month = 600

- SMILE Train 250
- Union Gospel Mission 200

A motion was made by Gordy to approve the disbursements, seconded by Natashaia, motion carried.

Technology- Laurie shared progress on FH and Sanctuary Technology. She will present the technology updates with the congregation in March.

A motion was made by Natashaia to move forward with the proposal for upgrades to the Fellowship Hall and Sanctuary, with the remaining funds needed to be collected through fundraising efforts, seconded by Sandy, motion carried.

Additional Business-

Update – Laurie shared a little about the Public Health requirements for serving food out of the Kitchen. She and Marlys went to a training meeting and will be putting together a small group to look into ways in which we can be in compliance with the new law and the guidelines without making it difficult for our kitchen volunteers. The goal is to balance effective food handling practices with our kitchen usage to reduce the possibility of illness.

-Council updated their contact information; devotion and committee assignments were made.

-Insurance update. Church Mutual did not submit a policy or fees. Costs for Grinnell Mutual (current provider) have gone down, so we will stay with Grinnell for 2013.

-A motion was made by Dave A. to approve Brian, council president, to add his signature to the church checking account at Citizen's State Bank, seconded by Todd, motion carried.

-3rd representative to the Synod Assembly: Sarah Hausken and Taylor Fennern were voted in by the congregation at our annual meeting as Representatives to the Synod Assembly in June. We can send up to three reps. Technically, we are to send at least one male and one female. Without a male representative, we would need to petition the Synod for approval to send 2 females. Broderick Prokosch is willing and able to attend the meeting in June. Eric asked if it is okay to send representatives under 18. Pastor assured the council that regarding age, representatives must be confirmed members of Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church. *A motion to approve Broderick Prokosch as our third representative to the Synod Assembly was made by Marie, seconded by Dave A, motion carried.*

-Report: Equipping Congregations – The topic of the seminar was centered around the equipping people for change and how the church can best respond. Pastor also shared he will attend a continuing education seminar on How to Welcome the Newcomer, keeping them engaged and involved in church life.

-Report: Mid-Winter Convocation – The theme was adapting to a changing world and included workshops on identifying the problem in order to be innovators. The staff received a variety of ideas to consider.

-Communion procedures were shared

-A Golf Tournament was discussed and a date will be considered.

Assignments - Communion 8:30 Keith 10:30 Natashaia-
Devotions Marie

March Council – 20th at 8pm Committees do not meet (Lent)

Closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Schultze – council secretary

Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church of Olivia

Family-Style BAKED HAM DINNER

Sunday, March 17, 2013 • 11:15 am-1:15 pm

Menu

Ham with Raisin or Cherry Sauce - Parsley Buttered Potatoes - Corn

Fruit Salad - Relishes - Buns - Assorted Desserts - Coffee & Milk

Adults \$8.00 (10 and over)

Youth \$5.00 (9 and under)

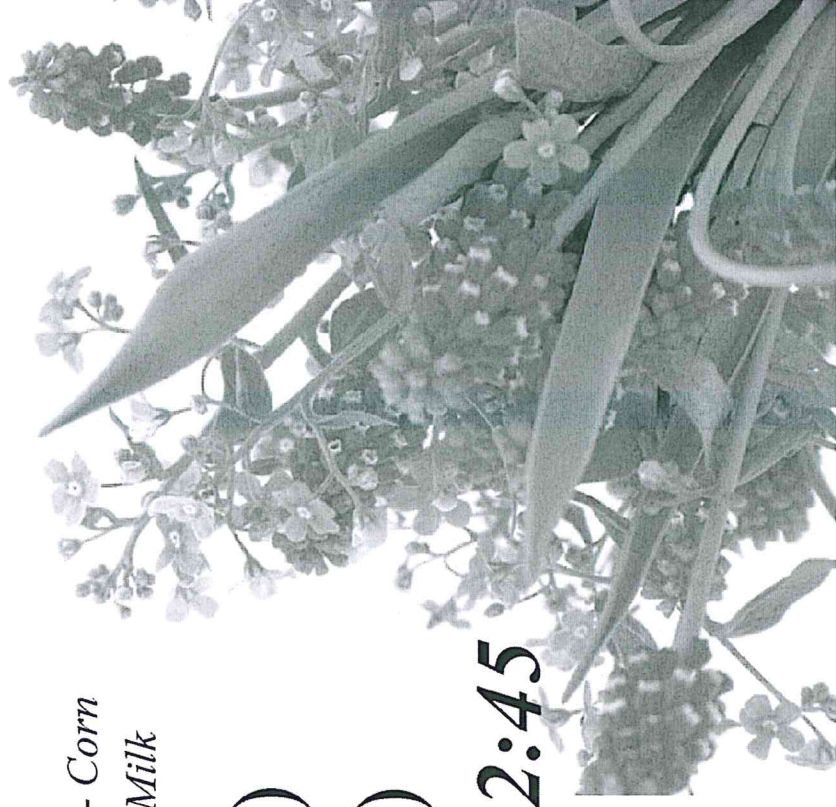
Take-outs are available until 12:45

Ticket sales following church services

March 3rd & 10th, available at the door

or call 320-523-1574.

Ticket donations go toward building improvements and missions.



Youth and Family Ministry

March 2013

Greetings and God's Blessings! Each month brings its own unique blend of activities and opportunities to grow faith. Where are your interests? Which of your gifts be used or lifted up? Join us for any and all!

- Chelsey Plumley, Minister of Faith Formation

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

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

MARCH -

- 8-9TH – Senior High Gathering Mankato
- 10th – Bridge Builders 9:30, age birth – Kind
Choirs Sing both services
- 15-17th Urban Immersion Service Retreat
- 24th – Palm Sunday Breakfast
- 27-31 – HOLY WEEK – NO WoW, Confirmation,
Bkst Club, or Sunday School

- APRIL -
- 11-12th – Youth Day on the Hill, gr 10-12
 - 14th – Bridge Builders 9:30, age birth – Kind
Choirs Sing both services
 - 21st – FUEL at CCOC 6:30 food 7:00 worship
 - 24th – ALL Wednesday programs END
 - 27th – Girl's Late Nighter 5-11 pm,
 - 28th – City Harmonic concert 6 PM

Palm Sunday Breakfast

March 24th 9:30 AM

Workers and food donations needed!

Check out the youth Board for information.

Menu: Sausage, eggs, fresh fruit, beverages, coffee

COFFEE HOUR

We are asking families with children in grades 2-12 to help serve to raise money for their accounts

COFFEE SCHEDULE

- March 3 – Holland, Peitig, Frank, Serbus
- March 24 – Palm Sunday Breakfast (Youth)
- April 14- M. Morse, T. Jansen, R Sigurdson, G. Mertens

CAMP!

Turn in your camp information into Chelsey before April 15th to get an additional Early-bird discount!

***Camp Scholarship winners: This can be used for individual and family camp!

Think Spring!

Cross of Calvary's annual Spring Fling

May 10-11th

Along with flower pick up this year, there will be a youth led supper from 5-7 and

potential kid auction. More info come
Spring Fling Flower Sales

begin March 30th & end April 21st.



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

For more information about flowers contact :

Sue Erickson (523-5010),

Cheryl Mallak (523-5029)

Sandy Padrnos – (522-0475)

For information about the supper and auction, contact Chelsey

KIDS:

We are looking at a new kind of fundraiser for you guys. No selling, no time in the kitchen. YOU give your time, talents, and hard work to raise money for yourself!

Think about what you can give and we will be auctioning off your gifts at the Spring Fling.

This can include: baking, yard work, painting, babysitting, quality time, cleaning jobs etc.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<h1>March 2013</h1>					1 Girls' All Nighter	2 Worship 5:30pm
3 Worship 8:30 & 10:30 Sunday School 9:30	4 Library reserved 2-4pm Scouts 6:30-7:30 Scouts 5:30-6:30 Scouts 6:30-7:30 Rm2 Library reserved 6:30-8:00pm	5 Men's Bible Study 6:15am & 7:00am	6 WOW, WeeWOW, Kids' Choirs 3:15-4:30 Soup Supper 5:30-6:30 Senior Choir 7:45pm Confirmation youth attend Worship 7pm Lent Worship 7pm	7 Breakfast Club 7:07am Quilters 9:00 Spring Craft Retreat	8 Spring Craft Retreat Senior High Gathering	9 Spring Craft Retreat Senior High Gathering Worship 5:30pm
10 Worship 8:30 & 10:30 Girl Scout Sunday Kids' Choirs Sing at both services Sunday School 9:30	11 Den Meeting 3:15 Library reserved 6:30-8:00pm	12 Men's Bible Study 6:15am & 7:00am	13 WOW, WeeWOW, Kids' Choirs 3:15-4:30 Soup Supper 5:30-6:30 Senior Choir 7:45pm Confirmation youth attend Worship 7pm Lent Worship 7pm Altar Guild 8pm	14 Breakfast Club 7:07am Quilters 9:00	15 Urban Immersion	16 Urban Immersion Set up for ham dinner (all day) Worship 5:30pm
17 Urban Immersion Worship 8:30 & 10:30 Ham Dinner Sunday School 9:30	18 Library reserved 6:30-8:00pm FOLLOWER deadline	19 Men's Bible Study 6:15am & 7:00am	20 WOW, WeeWOW, Kids' Choirs 3:15-4:30 Soup Supper 5:30-6:30 Council 8pm Senior Choir 7:45pm Confirmation youth attend Worship 7pm Lent Worship 7pm	21 Breakfast Club 7:07am Quilters 9:00	22	23 Worship 5:30pm
24 Worship 8:30 & 10:30 Palm Sunday Sunday School 9:30	25 Ruth Study 1:30 at Parkview Matens 7am Library reserved 6:30-8:00pm	26 Men's Bible Study 6:15am & 7:00am Matens 7am Assemble the FOLLOWER 1pm	27 NO WOW, WeeWOW, Kids' Choirs NO Confirmation Matens 7am	28 Dorcas Unit 9:30am Maundy Thurs Worship – Noon & 7pm Matens 7am NO Breakfast Club	29 Matens 7am Good Friday Service 7pm	30 NO Vespers Worship 5:30pm
31 Easter Worship 6:30 & 9:00 NO Sunday School						