

November
2013



CROSS OF CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

THE FOLLOWER

Pastor's Corner

Last month we talked about the first step in Melheim's *Faith 5*. The first one is a simple step—share. We are to share our highs and lows or best part of the day and worst part of the day. Whatever gets you talking about more than a simple "alright" or "it was good". We get to the heart at what made it good or made it bad or made it simply alright. It may be harder at first to share, because we aren't very used to digging in and talking about what we have experienced.

Oh, we talk about a lot of stuff, but in many ways we are trained not to talk about ourselves. Now this is good, up to a point. Nobody wants to be around someone who will only talk about themselves. But, oftentimes we do not talk about ourselves to a fault. We keep things on the surface, not only about ourselves, but we are also telling the other "don't open up too much, because I'm not". Once we start sharing on a regular basis (note sharing—both talking about themselves and listening about the other) there are noticeable benefits that are far too deep and great to go into here, but if you would like to know more, I would highly recommend

getting a copy of Rich Melheim's book "Holding your Family Together".

So after we have shared, where could we go? Now, just to be clear, if all you did was the share part, you would be miles ahead of most people. But, if you want to go even deeper, Melheim suggests that you read. You would read a bible story or verse. That's it. Simply read that Bible story or verse and let it sit with you. You may be surprised to find connections between what you have just shared with another person and what you read from Scripture. But more on that next month. For now read a story or a verse from the Bible. If you have small children, or even if you don't have small children you may prefer a Bible story book in simple straight forward language and story telling form. Simply read the story and talk about that story. Next month we will talk about how to put ourselves into the Bible.

God's blessings for a wonderful month of November!

Pastor Matt

Prayers

Prayer for	Submitted by	Prayer for	Submitted by
Chase Lykken	<i>S Kubesh</i>	Bob Sagedahl	<i>D Sagedahl</i>
Diana Adkins	<i>B Hennen</i>	Leslie Sagedahl	<i>D Sagedahl</i>
Leanne Miller	<i>K Grasmon</i>	Maddy Travers	<i>K Barta</i>
Shawn Erickson	<i>D Boen</i>	Jan Budd	<i>S Alton</i>
Terje Hausken	<i>S Hausken</i>		

Kevin & Rebekah Howell – Paraguay Missionaries
James Whitcomb and Logan – deployed to Afghanistan



Worship

Sunday morning 8:30 & 10:30am
Saturday evening 5:30pm
Sunday School 9:30-10:20am

Radio Broadcast of Service:

Sundays, 7:30am -K100FM
Faithful 15 Podcast
www.crossofcalvary.net

Volunteers in November

Communion 8:30—K Larson 10:30—D Altmann
Ushers 8:30 — D Hagen, G Hagen, J Kopacek, C Lund
10:30— G Johnson, R Johnson
Altar Guild K Bahl, S Erickson
Acolytes G Adamski, J Hanson

Coffee Hour and Altar Flowers – sign-up on the board

Sunday Volunteers Reminders for ushers, acolytes, communion servers, Altar Guild, readers, musicians, technology and staff.

PLEASE open and check the email.

Adding loved ones to the Prayer & Praise Lists:



Prayer List Information

- 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.

Just Married!

Aaron and Amanda Blem

October 26, 2013

Good to know...

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY - Pastor and the staff are always available, day and night, to take calls for emergencies and pastoral care. Simply call 523-1574. The answering system will direct you to the number for the staff member needed, and emergency numbers can be found there. Never feel as though you are bothering Pastor or the staff. We are here to serve as a comfort and as a resource.

HOSPITALIZED - The church/Pastor is not automatically notified. Please have a family member, friend or the hospital staff make the call.

December FOLLOWER deadline is Nov. 21

Assemble the Follower at 1pm on Tues, Nov 29

Weekly Bulletin Deadline is Thurs. by noon.

Food Shelf Donations – 24 pounds to the Renville County Food Shelf.
Thank you, donors!



ATTENDANCE

Sept 29—240 Oct 6—231 Oct 13—205
Oct 20—187 Oct 27—384 (Confirmation)

Welcome through Baptism

Sutton Weis

Parents: Brian and Heather Weis

Business

➔ Special Congregational Meeting

When: Sunday, Nov. 17, 9:30am

Where: Sanctuary

Purpose: Approve payment of the street assessment --- \$17,634.43

Reminder: A quorum of 60 voting members is necessary

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Council Minutes - October 23, 2013



The meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm by Council President Brian Boen.

Members present: *Dave Altmann, Cindy Johnson, Sandy Whited, Natasha Johnson, Todd Gay, David Torgelson, Brian Boen, Eric Skeie, Marie Rauenhorst*

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

Guests Attended:

Devotions were led by Tashia.

The minutes of the September meeting were reviewed.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Dave A, seconded by Marie, motion carried.

Financial Secretary / Treasurer

Report – Council reviewed the written report. Laurie shared that a donation was given to help with the repair of the parking lot.

A motion to approve the Fin. Sec. / Treasurer Report was made by Eric, seconded by Todd, motion carried.

Pastor's Report- Pastor reported that it has been a very busy October, yet things are going well.

Minister of Faith Formation's Report- Chelsey reports that the fall is going great, with a couple of big events yet to come. The 30-Hour Famine went really well.

The group is looking at changing a few things to get more churches involved next year.

Youth Ministry- Natashaia.

No meeting

Equipping the Congregation –

Cindy, Sandy, Eric

No meeting

Outreach – David T, Marie

The money allotted to missions this year has been distributed. The evangelism aspect of the committee work was discussed.

Administration- Dave A, Keith, Michelle, Todd

Laurie shared now that the LED has been running for the past few weeks, the technology committee is ready to move the projector and screen to the Fellowship Hall. A few people have inquired about “clicking.”

Landscaping around the education wing will take place in November.

Property has received the quotes for soffit and fascia. If the work can be done, yet this fall, it will be arranged.

OLD BUSINESS

Capital One Rewards – Laurie to report in Nov.

NEW BUSINESS

The council will hold a Special Congregational Meeting on November 17th at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary. The purpose is to approve payment of the street assessment. 60 voting members must be present.

Kathy Reese is taking a leave of absence. Cindy will look into a replacement.

Pastor and Laurie shared general information about how funerals are conducted at Cross of Calvary.

Brian will fill out an Assessment of Candidacy for Sarah Hausken. She is seeking her Associate in Ministry.

Next Council meeting is November 20 at 8pm, Committees at 7pm.

October Council Duties

- Communion
8:30 Keith, 10:30 Dave A
- Devotions - Keith

Closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Schultze
Council Recorder

New Members
are welcomed anytime. Please contact Pastor or Laurie

Thank you to the gardeners who have shared their beautiful flowers for worship throughout the summer and fall whenever the flower list was open.

Gifts of fresh cut flowers for the Altar are always welcome.

- Choose a date and sign up on the Board.
- Call or email Laurie in the office to indicate what you'd like in the bulletin – in celebration of, in honor of, in memory of. Note: without a designation, no reference will be printed.
- Have flowers delivered by 4pm on Saturday.



The Faithful 15 is our weekly podcast released on Wednesday of each week.

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SNOW BIRDS

Please let the office know when you will be away this winter. The Follower can be sent to your warm address if you like.

Don't forget to let us know when you return to Minnesota!



Community Thanksgiving Dinner

You're invited to participate in the Christian Community Outreach Center's Thanksgiving Dinner. About 225 people in our community enjoy this free meal on Thanksgiving Day from 11 am to 1 pm. Are you able to do any of the following?

- volunteer any time between 9 am and 3 pm on Thanksgiving to prepare, serve or deliver food
- donate corn, potatoes, turkey, boxes of stuffing, butter, milk, cooked down squash, pie or whipped cream
- invite others in the community to eat or have a meal delivered to them

If the answer is yes, please contact Carlotta Eischens by November 8 to let her know you can volunteer or donate food. [320-523-5061](tel:320-523-5061) or [320-905-8690](tel:320-905-8690). Thank you for serving God while serving others!

Stewardship and Thanksgiving

As we near the season of thanksgiving, a sincere 'thank you' is in order to everyone who supports our congregation throughout the year with their attendance, service and regular financial contributions.

For those of you who are interested, the church offers electronic giving options for making donations on a scheduled, automated basis. It's convenient for you and provides much-needed financial consistency for the church. Check in with Laurie on how to get set up.

Opportunity to serve

WOW Treats are needed on Wednesday afternoons. Check with Chelsey or sign up on the BOARD.

Prepare for 30 kids

Drop off by noon

Ideas - bars, cookies, fruit, crackers, cheese, fruit, snack mix, veggies/dip - NO NUTS

Confirmation Youth arrive

HUNGRY from after school activities! Won't you grab a friend and provide an easy meal for them one of these Wednesday evenings?

Expect - 20 Confirmation students and 5 adults

Time – Serve from 5:45 to 6:20

Ideas – walking tacos, BBQ, soups, hot dish, spaghetti, pizza, hot turkey sandwiches, enchiladas

Beverages – sodas, milk (there is lemonade mix available)

Dessert - cookies, bars, ice cream

Bring - disposable paper products (or do dishes)

Optional – baby carrots, chips, salad, etc.

Weekly Worship Resources-

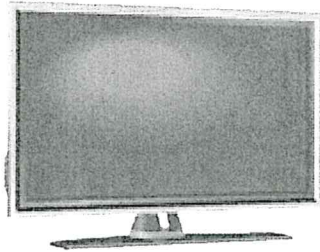
Bulletin – These have a color cover and contain announcements, needs for the week and the prayer list. There is one copy for each household.

Order of Service – These are on white paper and contain the liturgy, readings and hymns for today's service. Please return them to the ushers so there are enough for each service.

Why? It is good stewardship to reduce the cost of extra paper and toner. This also allows the office to print the order of service and prepare the screens while allowing time for additions and changes to the announcements for the week.

Tech-news

Fellowship Hall—Now that the LED has been with us for a few weeks, we feel confident enough to remove the screen and projector to their new home in the Fellowship Hall. Hoping to complete this transition on November.



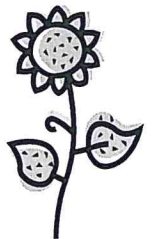
Thank you to our dedicated team of “clickers” for their time running the screen for worship – Jody, Becky, Sue, Freddie, Clare, Eleanor, Karen and Nathan.

Ideally, our clickers serve once per month. And yet, these folks will jump in whenever needed. Please, let’s not wear out their willingness to serve! A few more volunteers are needed. Visit with any of the clickers to find out what it’s like. Laurie is ready to train all those interested.

Blessings

Comfort Meals. Please consider joining this group of folks who provide meals for Cross of Calvary members during times of difficulty. Everyone on the Comfort Meals list is notified of the needs, and each member can choose to help out as many times as they like. Call Lynnette Blem or Laurie Schultze for more information and to get on the notification list.

Thank you to Joey and Daniel Newville! We are delighted to hear that these youth unexpectedly dropped by to lend a hand when some fall garden clean up was taking place! Way to serve, guys!



The Snowflake Bazaar is December 7 from 11 to 1.

When doing your Christmas baking and projects, please keep the bazaar in mind. We will also be doing the Christmas attic and progressive auction. These items may be brought to church library any time AFTER Nov. 17. Label them “For the Bazaar.”

“Changing of the Guard?” The ladies that have chaired the Bazaar for the past 19 years have decided this will be their last year. They would be happy to assist anyone who is willing to take over. This is a very worthwhile event which brings fellowship to our church and also a considerable amount of money. Many projects have been completed throughout the church with this money, as well as tithing to community and school projects.

When needing to borrow anything from church, please check in with the office.



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C of C Youth NEWS November

Hey everyone -

Fall is upon us and so are a number of events and programs for our youth.

Looking for a way to help out? Ask Chelsey. We are always in need of a snack, meal, or chaperon!

Check out the cool stuff below for the most current information.

GUSTAVUS LOCK-IN

**A Lock-In led by
Gustavus Adolphus
college students**

November 8-9th

Overnight : 8pm-8am

Grades 6-8

--Limited to 30 kids

Sign up on YOUTH board

By October 30

Sign friends up after Oct 30

**Adult supervisors are
NEEDED**

Gal's Holiday Dinner

**Are you ready for a little
girl time??**

Sign up on the Youth Board
to be our guest!

Sunday, December 8

6:00 - Enjoy dinner.

7:00 - Holiday fun in the
Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$6.00

This is a night of fun for

ALL ladies of ALL ages.

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



CHECK IT OUT

- Nov 3 - First Communion
- Nov 3-9 - Gustavus Lock In
gr 6-8; 8 pm-8 am
- Nov 10 - FUEL - Prayer
gr 8-12; 6:30 pm
- Nov 17 - National
Gathering: Detroit
meeting 9:30 AM
- Nov 22-23 - Jr. High
Gathering in Willmar
- Nov 27th - NO Wed.
programs
- Dec 1 - NO SUNDAY
SCHOOL

Coffee Hour Hosts:

Nov 10

M. Morse, T. Jansen,
G. Mertens, B Slagter,



Nov 17

S. Altman, P. Amberg,
C. Mages, R. Sigurdson

WHAT'S GOING ON THIS MONTH?

Who	When	Where	What
Breakfast Club Grades 10-12	Every Thursday 7:07 AM	Cross of Calvary	Come eat a delicious full breakfast and hear God's word as a beginning to your day Every Thursday until May 15th
Gustavus Lock In Grades 6-8	November 8-9 th 8pm-8am	Cross of Calvary	12 hours of FUN, Friends, Snacks, Games, Worship and Jesus. Limited to 30 kids but friends invited!
FUEL Grades 8-12 <i>Bring a friend!</i>	November 10 th 6:30-8:00	Cross of Calvary	Worship service led BY students, FOR students. Our theme is Prayer . Come at 6:30 for snacks, 7:00 for worship
National Gathering Detroit Meeting All parents/kids interested in 2015 ELCA Gathering	November 17 th 9:30 AM	Cross of Calvary Library	Our ELCA National Youth Gathering will be in Detroit this year. Come hear what a National Gathering entails and get a jump start on fundraising!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<h1>NOVEMBER 2013</h1>					1	2
					Craft Retreat	Craft Retreat Worship 5:30
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Worship 8:30 & 10:30 First Communion 8:30 & 10:30 Daylight Savings ENDS Sunday School 9:30	Library reserved 2-4pm Library reserved 6:00-8:00pm 6:30 Scouts Rm 6	Men's Bible Study 6:15am & 7:00am 6pm Scouts - Rm 8 6:30pm Scouts - Rm2	WOW 3:15-4:30 3rd Grade Bible Class 3:15 5:45 Conf Meal.... 6:30 Conf Class 6:30 Sr. Choir	7:07am Breakfast Club		Worship 5:30
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Golden Living Service 1pm Worship 8:30 & 10:30 Sunday School 9:30 Special Congregational Meeting 9:30am Elfering Baptism 10:30 Altar Guild 5:30pm	Follower Deadline Library reserved 6:00-8:00pm	Men's Bible Study 6:15am & 7:00am	Committees 7pm Council 8pm WOW 3:15-4:30 5:45 Conf Meal.... 6:30 Conf Class 6:30 Sr. Choir	7:07am Breakfast Club Dorcas Circle 9:30am Brownies 5:30-7:15 Rm8	Junior High Youth Gathering	Junior High Youth Gathering Worship 5:30
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Worship 8:30 & 10:30 Sunday School 9:30	Ruth Circle at Parkview 1:30 Library reserved 6:00-8:00pm	Men's Bible Study 6:15am & 7:00am Assemble the Follower 1pm	No Wed. Programs Thanksgiving Eve Service 7pm	Thanksgiving Office Closed	Office Closed	Wedding Worship 5:30

11/01 Shockley, Arlis
11/01 Revier, Scott
11/02 Meints, Kenneth
11/02 Malvin, Stephanie
11/02 Erickson, Kylie
11/03 Jensen, McKenna
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 Hackmann, Taesia Rae

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, Natashia
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
11/21 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
11/25 Kingery, Brian
11/25 Revier, Nicholas
11/26 Kircher, Jonathan
11/27 Schultze, Kevin
11/28 Folkerts, Debra
11/28 Bohm, Kessly
11/29 Hahn, Uva

11/29 Elbert, Emy
11/29 Bruns, Jena
11/30 McDowell, Elaine
11/30 Enestvedt, Wayne
11/30 Kingery, Mia

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Facility Hours		Need access?
Mon - Thurs	8:30 – 7:00	Craig 522-0266
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Mon, Tues, Thurs 8:30 - 4:30 Wed 8:30 - 7:30
Friday 8:30 - 2:00

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