October 2014



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Pastor's Corner

When I was getting ready to teach confirmation, I came across an interesting tidbit; Martin Luther didn't see his first Bible until he was 20! This was remarkable to me considering that Martin Luther would go on to translate the entire Bible into the German language, not to mention the fact that he was an Old Testament scholar.

But, the more I thought about it, the more it made complete sense. The Bible wasn't written in a language that Luther would have understood. His only options would have been Latin, Hebrew, and Greek. Needless to say most people today would have a hard time picking up a book like that and just reading. Also, what was in German where the basic instructions of the faith and everyone thought that was adequate. But, as we know now, to be lead simply by books of faith and have no knowledge of scripture is dangerous.

Luther discovered a freedom unlike any other when he opened scripture. A light went on in his head, and the burdens that had been troubling him were lifted. Luther would devour scripture. He would find in it healing, hope, and strength. It is what he found in scripture, once it was opened to him, that lead him to translate the Old and New Testaments into the language of the people. Now for the first time in centuries

people could hear and read the Bible in their own language!

The love of this word and its power burned brightly for centuries. It was as if they had uncovered buried treasure. But, recently the knowledge of this book, which has been called God's Love Letter to Us, has greatly slipped. We will read religious books and listen to Christian recordings. But, to do this without the first hand knowledge of scripture is dangerous. May we rediscover the joy of the Word of God, given to us and for us. May we discover the joy of what it has to say to us and share it joyfully with the world.

What a great month to rediscover it in! October 31st marks the 497th anniversary of the Reformation. It was scripture that lit the way for the Reformation. May it continue light the way in life!

God's blessings for a wonderful month of October!

Pastor Matt

Prayers

Bob Sagedahl

Submitted by	Prayer for	Submitted by
D Sagedahl	Diana Adkins	B Hennen
M Hackman	Maddie Travers	K Barta
A Boen	Joyce Lindgren	S Alton
	D Sagedahl M Hackman	D Sagedahl Diana Adkins M Hackman Maddie Travers

Worship

Sunday Morning 8:30 and 10:30am Sunday School 9:30 - 10:20am Saturday evening 5:30pm

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Radio Broadcast of Service:

Sundays, 7:30am -K100FM

Faithful 15 Podcast

www.crossofcalvary.net and on iTunes

Volunteers

TIME NAME **OCTOBER**

Communion 8:30 D Newville

> 10:30 D Altmann

Ushers 8:30 R/G Hagen, M/C Flemming

> 10:30 S/L Johnson

Altar Guild E Ziesmer, E Vogt

Acolytes J Newville, E Larson



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

Prayer List Information

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 -October 5, 19

Good to know...

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 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.

No one was able to answer your call? 320-523-1574

- -Wait for the extension of the staff member you want to contact.
- -Call the cell number given. They will pick up the call if able.
- -Leave a message on their cell phones. Staff can check cell messages while
- out of the office and are more likely to return your call faster.
- -If you prefer, leave a message on the church answering system.

The FOLLOWER deadline is always the 15th.

Assemble the Follower at 1pm, Tues, Oct. 28.

Weekly Bulletin Deadline is Thurs. by noon.

Food Shelf – 196 pounds to the Renville County Food Shelf. Thank you, donors!



Altar Guild Meeting October 26 at 7pm

Business

- New Members are welcomed anytime. Contact Pastor or Laurie.
- Contact the office when needing to borrow anything from church.
- The FOLLOWER and weekly bulletin are available at crossofcal-
- The Faithful 15 is a weekly, 15-minute podcast available on our website and on iTunes.
- The large-print order of service is often found in the display rack
- We are no longer accepting used printer or toner cartridges.

Gifts of fresh cut flowers for the Altar

- 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 designa-

tion, no reference will be printed.

• Have flowers delivered by 4pm on Saturday or on Thursday in the summer.



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Council Minutes

Council approval pending.



Sept 7, 2014 @ 7pm

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by Council Vice- President, Sandy Whited

Members present: Dave Altmann, Aaron Thompson, Cindy Johnson, Sandy Whited, Natashia Johnson, Todd Gay, David Torgelson, Keith Larson, Eric Skeie, Michelle Jensen, DeeAnne Newville, Brian Boen

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

Guests Attended:

Devotions were led by Aaron T.

The minutes of the August meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Dave A, seconded by Eric, motion carried.

Financial Secretary / Treasurer Report - August

Todd shared the report. We are not far behind our yearly budget.

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

Pastor's Report-

Pastor shared that it has been great getting back in the swing of things again. There is a lot going on.

VBS was a huge success. A lot of August has been planning and getting things going. The Confirmation schedule was shared. This year is the Catechism curriculum. The Kettle Bell introduction meeting went well. The first set of classes had 15 people. Pastor is very excited about Rich Melheim coming next week. It fits in so well with his health and wellness focus.

Minister of Faith Formation's Report-

Chelsey shared how excited she is about this year's programs. Rally Sunday was today, and went as expected.

Chelsey explained the Faith 5 Family Sunday School for 3 and 4 yearolds. WOW starts this Wed. National Gathering will start fund raising. Registration forms for youth are starting to come in.

Committee meetings were not held Youth Ministry, Equipping the Congregation, Outreach, Administration

OLD BUSINESS

Calendar update – The staff reviewed the 2014-15 calendar with the Council.

Rich Melheim/Faith 5

Dates are Sept. 12, 13, 14.

Brian asked people to help at the event and consider donating food.

NEW BUSINESS

Next Council meeting. Sunday, October 12, at 7pm

Closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Laurie Schultze, Council Recorder

Oct. Council Duties

Communion 8:30 DeeAnne
Communion 10:30 Dave A

Devotions Sandy

Worship and Bulletins

The <u>order of worship</u> is the larger, white handout. Please return it after Saturday 5:30 and Sunday 8:30 services for use at later services.

The <u>bulletin</u> is the smaller, colored handout. Please take just one per family.

Why?

- The order of service can be printed anytime before the deadline for the bulletin.
- Printing goes more quickly.
- Less wear on the printer.
- Some savings in paper

New for Advent?



Pastor would like to include families or groups of friends with the lighting of the Advent candles at each service. What a joy to see children and families, friends and neighbors taking an active role during worship as we prepare for Christmas!

Please contact Pastor or Laurie for more information and to choose a date and service time.



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CLICKERS?!?! How about you?

Two or three new volunteers would be great! Training takes about 30 minutes, and for the first several times you click, a trained person is sitting with you. How often, and at which service, you'd like to volunteer is up to you. Give Laurie a call 320-523-1574.

Confirmation Suppers. Would you consider working with a friend/family to prepare and serve a simple meal to our confirmation student on Wed nights? Approximately 25 kids roll in after school activities...hungry for supper and for time spent with Pastor and the small group leaders! The meal is served from 5:45 to 6:20. The confirmation parents are the first to volunteer, but there are more class dates than families. More information and a sign-up sheet is on the BOARD.

Only 3 months away!!



As some of you may know, last year was our 19th Christmas Bazaar. A new committee will be taking over and will be hoping to fill the shoes of Bonnie Triplett, Mary Senger and Fave Johnson. Please, if you see these ladies, thank them for their time and effort – the bazaar funds have provided many needed items over the years!

There will be a few small changes, but we still need your delicious baked goods! Soups are also very popular, so please remember the bazaar this fall during soup season...

The new committee off [ana Boen, Cathy Helin, Sandy Gay and Kathy Altmann look forward to our 20th anniversary!! Stay tuned for more details in the coming months...

Great fellowship is waiting, how about signing up to host coffee?!?!? Check the Board for open dates.



Volunteer... Honey-Do List

The church has a variety of maintenance and repair jobs to keep up with throughout the year. Do you have the know-how, the tools, the time? Check with Laurie if you'd like to volunteer for one or more of the following.

- •Connect downspout extensions •Install a countertop in the Sacristy

- •Install balcony glass walls •Stain and varnish interior of two Altar area

If you notice something that may need to be added to the Honey-Do list, please let Laurie know about it. Please include your name on the request, so clarifying questions may be asked and/or additional information shared. Welcome to membership through Baptism

Finley Rose Bruns Nick and Jena Bruns

Elijah Benson Suess Travis and Annmarie Suess

Santa's Closet. It's never too early to be thinking of donating to Santa's Closet. While you are out and about, keep this ministry in mind. Keep an eye out for a drop off box in the entry way.



10/07	Flom, Tyler		
10/08	Miller, Barbara	10/01	Helmer, Karen
10/08	Wagner, Shauna	10/01	Mages, Bruce
10/10	Rauenhorst, Marie	10/01	O'Neill, Kristi
10/10	Boehme, Peggy	10/01	Grannes, Deborah
10/10	Helmer, Sarah	10/01	Altmann, Kathy
10/11	Hennen, Cheryl	10/01	Jimenez, Sevarii
10/11	Schultes, Brian	10/03	Vait, Kailynn
10/11	Plumley, Chelsey	10/05	Kern, Lilly
10/11	Wallert, Timothy	10/05	Jacobson, Pam
10/12	Peterson, Marie	10/06	Bratsch, Merlene
10/12	Newville, Thomas	10/06	Thiesse, Mark
10/12	Torkelson, Steve	10/06	Grund, Keela
10/12	Hennen, Matt	10/07	Mages, Joshua
10/12	Lauer, Jennifer	10/07	Erickson, Logan
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FOOD DISTRIBUTION

SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST THROUGH FOOD

3rd Tuesday of Every Month 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Location:

National Guard Armory 530 Hwy 101

Redwood Falls, MN 56283

- You receive an abundance of grocery items. Everyone who gets hungry qualifies!
- . \$20 cash donation, no checks please

Bring your own boxes or baskets for food!

Hosted by: First Presbyterian Church

More Info? Email: rubysredwoodfalls@gmail.com www.rubyspantry.org or on Facebook at Ruby's Pantry Redwood Falls

Ruby's Pantry is a Food distribution option for families. For a \$20 donation, you can leave with more than \$75 worth of groceries. Bring 2 laundry baskets or boxes to fill. No qualifications are necessary.

Distributions dates:

July 15

Aug 19

Sept 16

Oct 21

Nov 18

Dec 16

10/13 McDowell, Jim 10/14 Thorpe, Kelsey 10/15 Maurice, LeAnn 10/15 Hebrink, Cory 10/15 Evenson, Jake 10/16 Baumgartner, Sharlene 10/16 Vesterby, Jodi 10/16 Johnson-Stafford, Sarah 10/16 Kopel, Edgar 10/17 Stovern, Tami 10/18 Slagter, Tyler 10/19 Novak, Joan 10/21 Grund, Jennifer 10/22 Hanson, Paul 10/22 Blem, Aaron 10/22 Weis, Hadley 10/24 Hanson, Maureen 10/24 Doering, Mary 10/25 Bentley, MaryAnne 10/25 Erickson, Bob 10/26 Boen, Brian

10/26 Whited, Sandra

10/27 Altmann, Dave 10/27 Hawkinson, Jon

10/28 Morse, Charles 10/30 Woltjer, Ruth

10/30 Lindquist, David

10/30 Doering, Jim 10/30 Grund, Mike 10/30

Honzay, Troy 10/30 Ridler, Hunter

10/31Grannes, June 10/31 Thiesse, Cindy

10/31 Nelson, Reed

10/31 Malvin, Addelyn 10/31

Robideau, Lincoln

C of C Youth NEWS October

Hey everyone -

Our fall Ministry is up and running....more like sprinting! We are so excited to see God moving through this month.

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

Junior High Youth Gathering

Accept All Except None

WHO? Anyone Grades 6-9 and all Confirmation Students

WHEN? November 21, 4 pm-November 22, 1 pm

WHERE? Willmar Holiday Inn

COST? \$45 registration (small additional cost after all registrations are in.

Reg Due Call registrations are in.

CHECK IT OUT

- Oct 2 Breakfast Club begins at 7:07 AM gr10-12
- •Oct 3 PowerHour Book club 3-4:30 - ride bus 2!
- Oct 8 NO CONFIRMATION
 5th grade Bake-a-Thon
 4:30-5:30

Oct 10 - Papa Murphey's pizza pick up 5-6:30

- Oct 12 CLOCK 6:10 pm –Cross of Calvary
- Oct 15 NO Wednesday programs – Have a fun and safe MEA break!
- · Oct 22 Confirmation Banquet
- Oct 26 Confirmation service
- Oct 29 3rd Gr. Bible Class
- Nov 1 First Communion

- 6th grade

Beginning October 3rd 6th graders can ride bus 2 to the church for an HOUR of working our bodies and minds. ½ hour active large crazy game & ½ hour book study

We will be reading "A Crack in the Sky" by Mark Hughes worth 16 AR points. Contact Chelsey about getting a book!

National Gathering breakfast November 2nd

Help us kick off our Detroit trip with French Toast, sausage and fresh fruit!

All proceeds go to the National Gathering common purse

Coffee Hour Hosts:

Oct 12th -

G. Mertens, S. Altmann, M. Adamski

Oct 26th

D. Steffel, S. Visser, , A.Thompson, M.Dietrich

Who	When	Where	What
Breakfast Club Grades 10-12 7:07 AM	Oct 2	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
Jr High Gathering 6-9 th graders	Nov 21-22	Willmar MN	Meet with area churches and almost 600 kids for an evening of music, worship, nightlife, prayer, friends and fun!
First Communion bake-a-thon 5 th grade	Oct 8 th	Cross of Calvary	First Communion students will be baking the bread that they will break together on Nov. 2 – Come for WoW, stay to make bread!
CLOCK Grades 10-12 6:10 pm	Oct 12	Cross of Calvary	Senior High youth group gather to talk, serve, grow and support one another in their faith. Once a month on Sunday evenings.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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			7:40pm Kettle Bells			
			Confirmation – Meal 5:45 – Class 6:30			
			Dave Ramsey Course 7-9pm			
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8:30 and 10:30 Worship	NO Kettle Bells	Men's Bible Study 6:15am	WOW (gr. 3-5) 3:15-4:30	NO Kettle Bells		5:30 Worship
9:30 Sunday School	Library reserved 6:00- 8:00pm	& 7:00am NO Kettle Bells	NO Confirmation			9am-12pm Baby Shower – Kayla Linde
Golden Living			NO Kettle Bells			
Service 1pm			Dave Ramsey Course 7-9pm			
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9:30 Sunday School			NO Kettle Bells Dave Ramsey			
Council Meeting 7pm	8:00pm		Course 7-9pm			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
8:30 and 10:30 Worship	Nov Follower Deadline	Men's Bible Study 6:15am	NO WoW	Fall Craft Retreat	Fall Craft Retreat	Fall Craft Retreat
9:30 Sunday School	6:15pm Kettle Bells	& 7:00am 5:30am Kettle	NO Kettle Bells Dave Ramsey	5:30am Kettle Bells		5:30 Worship
Library reserved 6:00- 8:00pm	Bells	Course 7-9pm Confirmation Banquet 6:30pm (served by 8th/9th grade families)	Dorcas Circle 9:30			
26	27	28	2.9	30	31	
8:30 and 10:30 Worship	6:15pm Kettle Bells	Men's Bible Study 6:15am	7:40pm Kettle Bells	5:30am Kettle Bells		
9:30 Sunday School	Ruth Circle at Parkview 1:30	& 7:00am 5:30am Kettle	Dave Ramsey Course 7-9pm			
Confirmation Service 10:30	Library reserved 6:00-	Bells Assemble the	3rd Grade Bible Class		The second secon	
Altar Guild 7pm	8:00pm	Follower 1pm	3:15 Confirmation –		i de la companya de l	
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