



*Flowers on the Altar are placed by the Knoke family  
in loving memory of Betty Rechkemmer*

<b>Mar 1</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>8:30am / 10:30am</b>
	<b>Healing service and Baptism</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
	Sunday School	9:30am
	Altar Guild meeting	7pm
<b>Mon</b>	Library reserved	6-8pm
<b>Tues</b>	Men's Bible Study	6:15am / 7am
	Cub Scouts	6:30pm
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Lent Service</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
	WOW, WeeWOW and choirs	3:15-4:30pm
	Soup Supper by the Sr. Choir	5:30-6:30pm
	Confirmation	7:00pm
<b>Thurs</b>	Quilters	9:00am
	Craft Retreat	begins 4:00pm
<b>Fri</b>	Craft retreat	8:00am – 10:00pm
<b>Sat</b>	Craft retreat	concludes at 7pm
	<b>Worship</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>
<b>Mar 8</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>8:30am / 10:30am</b>
	Kids' Choirs sing at both services	
	Sunday School	9:30am

Activities and times change periodically. Please check the website calendar at [crossofcalvary.net](http://crossofcalvary.net). It is updated daily.

### Coming up in March

15	Follower Deadline
21	Set up for Ham Dinner
22	Ham Dinner
23	Ruth Circle at Parkview 1:30
24	Fold the Follower 12:30
26	Dorcas Circle 9:30
29	Palm Sunday

<b>LENT</b>	
Wed Lent services	7pm
<b>HOLY WEEK</b>	
Matens (M-F)	7am
Maundy Thursday	noon/7pm
Good Friday	7pm
Easter Sunday	6:30/9:00am

## PRAYERS OF HEALING & STRENGTH

Prayer for	Submitted by	Prayer for	Submitted by
Leslie Sagedahl	<i>D Sagedahl</i>	Maddie Travers	<i>K Barta</i>
Athena Krueger	<i>S Grasmon</i>	Sue McNamara	<i>A Suess</i>
Diana Adkins	<i>B Hennen</i>	Nancy Berry	<i>B Beckman</i>
Jon Hackmann	<i>M Hackmann</i>	Nick Alton	<i>S Alton</i>
Nancy Haney	<i>M Hausken</i>	Gloria Franzen	<i>S Triplett</i>

**Military** – Benjamin Johnson

**Missionaries** – The Kevin & Rebekah Howell family - Paraguay  
Paul and Jay Mikaelson - Bolivia

## PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

### MARCH VOLUNTEERS

**Communion** 8:30 – E Skeie 10:30 – A Thompson

**Altar Guild** D Beckler, M Rauenhurst, K O’Neil

**Acolytes** E Iverson, M Steffel

**Ushers** 8:30 – K Elfering, G Helin, R Sigurdson, R Elbert  
10:30 – D Altmann, D Beckler

Thank  
YOU!

## SOUP SUPPERS 5:30-6:30

A great way for your group to fund raise.

The sign-up sheet is on the BOARD.

Mar 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
Mar 11 \_\_\_\_\_  
Mar 18 \_\_\_\_\_  
Mar 25 MEN’s GROUP



# 125th Anniversary Celebration!

November 1, 2015

**New Directory!** And, it will never become obsolete, as it will be held in an electronic file and can be printed at any time. A HUGE thank you goes out to Natasha Johnson! She has offered to take all the photos. CofC will have the digitals to share with you. No need to purchase expensive portraits. Sandy Whited has also volunteered to help with the project. A brief planning meeting is needed...and you are too. Call Laurie and let her know you willing to help, and she'll keep you posted.

*Planning:* Natasha Johnson, Sandy Whited, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,  
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**History Book / Display!** Pastor Matt is really excited about this one...so excited he's going to head up the committee. Let's not leave Pastor as a committee of just one. Give him a call at 320-579-0839.

*Planning:* Matt Hausken, Gordy Blem, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,  
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**Special Worship Service!** What might we include in worship to make this thanksgiving celebration special? Pastor would LOVE your ideas.

*Planning:* \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

**Catered Meal!!** Wow, how easy is the planning for this going to be? Get together with a couple friends/family and jump into this project. Give Pastor or Laurie a call.

*Planning:* \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

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**WOW kids and the choirs are having a blast on Wednesday afternoons! And, after school treats are welcomed. There are 30 kids. More information is on the BOARD.**

# Membership Update

Please offer a small amount of your time to save the staff HOURS AND HOURS of reviewing data and updating information for over 900 members!

If you did not receive the link to the online registration, please email [crossofcalvary@gmail.com](mailto:crossofcalvary@gmail.com), and Laurie will get it to you.

## **ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION is DUE MARCH 9th.**

Wed, Mar 4	5:00 – 6:30pm	Office	- Laurie Schultze
Sun, Mar 8	9:30 – 10:30am	Office	-Laurie Schultze

- Electronic Option — Quickly add your information electronically from your home computers. Your data will be automatically sent to the church.
- Borrow a Computer Option — Laptop computers and helpers will be available to assist you as you enter your information on February 22 and March 1. Or, stop by and see Laurie in the office during the week.
- Paper Option — If you need a paper form, they will be available in the Narthex after March 1<sup>st</sup>. Please put your completed form in the mailbox near the office door.

Remember:

- Data from the old program will NOT be transferred in order to insure that we will have your most current information.
- All communication (including the Follower) will be sent out using the new program.
- Remember your *adult children* who may not be living nearby and are members of Cross of Calvary. Their information needs to be included also.



**THIS  
WEEK**

WE ARE  
**Meals On Wheels**  
*So no senior goes hungry.*

- Look for the sign-up sheet on the BOARD or call Laurie in the office.
- Choose your route—North or South
- Choose individual days or a week... or more.
- Partner with a friend or family.

Mar 2-6	N	M-Tu Berg	W-F	S	M-Th Hausken	F
Mar 9-13	N	M-F Feil		S		
Mar 16-20	N	M-F O’Niel		S	M-F O’Niel	
Mar 23-27	N	M-F Rauenhorst		S		
Mar 30-Apr 3	N			S		

A few volunteers have retired. Please consider helping with this ministry.

**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.



**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.

# BAKED HAM DINNER

**Sunday, March 22, 2015 11:15 am – 1:15 pm**

Ticket donations go toward building improvements and missions.  
Supplemental funds provided by Thrivent.

**Adults \$10.00 (10 and over)**

**Youth \$5.00 (9 and under)**

Take-outs available until 12.45

Ticket sales following church services

March 8th & 15th, available at the door

or call the church office at [320-523-1574](tel:320-523-1574).



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**CHECK THE COMMUNITY BOARD** - East Entrance

(take-home fliers often available)



- **“Good Grief”** a grief support opportunity through the Renville County Hospice. Monday evenings from 507. Fliers are on the Community Board.
- **Belgian Waffles** on Feb 28 at the Lions Club in Danube – community fund raiser

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*God's Story  
Your Story*

**March 1, 2015**

**Devotion:** Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions. You can do this alone, as a couple, as a family; in the morning,

during the day, or at night. Find a routine that works best for you.

**Pray:** Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

**God of extravagant grace, you have showered your children with blessings we did not deserve, but gratefully receive. Accept our gratitude for your goodness, for the glory of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**Reflect:** Reflect on the key verses from Sunday’s reading.

*[Jesus said,] “[The landowner said,] ‘Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.” Matthew 20:15-16*

**Study:** Study the reading and consider the background.

**Our sense of fairness is challenged in this parable. Many of us have been raised to believe we get what we earn. To imagine someone else might receive what we receive for having earned far less challenges our sensibilities.**

**But what if we are not the laborer who has earned a day’s wage? What if we are the laborer who cannot possibly work hard enough or long enough to earn a day’s wage? Perhaps Jesus was teaching here that God offers love more abundantly than anyone can possibly earn.**

**Read:** Read the following daily readings to deepen your understanding of Sunday’s text. After the reading, ask the follow-up questions.

**Follow the parables and teachings of Jesus, as Jesus challenged followers to do more for God’s kingdom.**

Sunday, Matthew 20:1-16, *Laborers in the Vineyard*

Monday, Psalm 16:5-8, *Psalm*

Tuesday, Matthew 16:1-12, *Teachings of Jesus*

Wednesday, Matthew 16:13-23, *Jesus Foretells His Death*

Thursday, Matthew 17:9-27, *Teachings of Jesus*

Friday, Matthew 18:10-14, *Parables of Jesus*

Saturday, Matthew 19:1-30, *Teachings of Jesus*

**What is God’s role in the parables Jesus told?**

**Connect:** Connect in conversation with others in your household. Discuss the following questions, or simply check in with “Highs” and “Lows.”

- **What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?**
- **Where are wages just and where are they unjust within your community? What would happen if Jesus’ idea of abundant generosity was played out in your community?**
- **What difference does it make to your life that you have been given abundant, unearned, generous love from God?**


**Do:** By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

**Be an extravagant tipper this week. Notice how practicing abundant generosity changes you.**

**Bless:** Close your devotion with a blessing.

**Generous God, our hearts are sometimes stingy. Speak love to us in the reading of your word. Amen.**

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**Take Note:**  *Something from the service that speaks to you?  
A reminder from the announcements?*