



# **SUMMER SWITCH**

**Sunday Worship 9:00am**  
**Thursday Worship 6:30pm**

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New practice during  
“Prayers of the People”  
starts TODAY (May 17).

At each service, 4 or 5 people will be needed to assist Pastor with the “Prayers of the People” (*Lord in your mercy, Hear our Prayer*)

- Take a prayer sheet from the BOARD
- Read the numbered prayer that is circled on your sheet.
- Read right from your place in the pew with a little volume, please 😊

*Flowers on the Altar are in loving memory of Ginny Faiman.*

<b>May 17</b>	<b>Senior Recognition Sunday</b>	
	<b>Worship</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
	Coffee	10:00am
<b>Mon</b>	Library reserved	6-8pm
	Girl Scouts FH/Kit	4:30-8:00pm
<b>Tues</b>	Men's Bible Study	6:15am / 7:00am
	Altar Guild mtg.	7:00pm
<b>Wed</b>	Outreach Com. Mtg.	5:30pm
	Council Mtg	7:00pm
<b>Thur</b>	<b>Worship – Summer Switch</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Worship –Summer Switch</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
<b>Mon</b>	Memorial Day – office closed	

- 25 Office Closed, Ruth Circle 12:00 at Parkview
- 26 Fold the *Follower* 12:30
- 28 Dorcas Circle 10:00 at Masters

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

### PRAYERS OF HEALING & STRENGTH

Prayer for	Submitted by	Prayer for	Submitted by
Leslie Sagedahl	<i>D Sagedahl</i>	Craig Nordby	<i>K Barta</i>
McKenya Egge	<i>B Egge</i>	Gordy Steffel	<i>K Ziesmer</i>
Diana Adkins	<i>B Hennen</i>	Nancy Berry	<i>B Beckman</i>
Joan Rosenow	<i>T Kadelbach</i>	Vonna Ledebor	<i>A Ledebor</i>
Tonia Otto	<i>P Aalderks</i>	Luella Norberg	<i>L Blem</i>
Elaine Vagle	<i>R Linde</i>	Vickie Beckler	<i>C Senkyr</i>
Sue McNamara	<i>A Suess</i>	Maddi Jensen	<i>M Jensen</i>

- Military** – Benjamin Johnson and Joshua Nelson
- Missionaries** – The Kevin & Rebekah Howell family - Paraguay  
Paul and Jay Mikaelson - Bolivia



Help! I've lost my way home!!!  
Please pick up your lonely and forgotten pans and bowls.  
On May26, all remaining items will be donated to ACTS.

## **VOLUNTEERS for May**

**Communion** 8:30—B Kopel 10:30—M Jensen

**Ushers** 8:30 —N Cole, J Hawkinson, R Osthus  
10:30— D Torgelson, D/K Flom

**Altar Guild** K van der Hagen, A Boen

**Acolytes** G Adamski

Thank  
you!

**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.

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## **You are on THE BOARD!**

Thank you to the ~~439~~ 451 who have updated your membership!

### **ELECTRONIC submission is ongoing.**

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.

### **PAPER submission**

**IF YOU DO NOT HAVE EMAIL**, you may submit a paper form. These are available in the Narthex. Please put your completed form in the mailbox by the office door.

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### Graduation Open Houses

**Breann Mertens**

Greg and Dawn Mertens  
May 29, 5:00pm 24 Golf Dr. Olivia

**Justin Rock**

Larry and Traci Rock  
May 30, 2-6pm 1305 W Pine Circle Olivia

**Josie Lilja**

Emy and Rich Elbert, Lorin Lilja  
May 31, 4-7pm 82215 380th St. Olivia



## CHECK THE COMMUNITY BOARD - East Entrance

(take-home fliers often available)



Lake Lillian Fire & Ambulance Pancake Breakfast, Sun, May 17, 8:00 am – 1:00 pm. Lake Lillian Fire Hall. Sausage, milk, coffee and all-you-can-eat pancakes.

**Thank you** to those who attended Craig's benefit and to those who donated, but were unable to attend. Thanks also for the wonderful silent auction items! We are grateful for all the prayers and cards as Craig receives treatment for colon cancer. We greatly appreciate the support – Craig and Jessica Nordby



## What can you do?

**Remember:** 100% of your gifts can be shared through ELCA World Relief

Cross of Calvary is still accepting donations for those impacted by the earthquakes in Nepal.

Households should:

- Make checks payable to Cross of Calvary for any amount of their choosing
- Write "Nepal Area Earthquake" in the memo line
- Note - The amount donated will be reflected on giving statements under World Missions

**Pray** for people affected by the earthquake. Pray for the Lutheran World Relief emergency teams and other relief workers on the ground.

*Merciful God,*

*Hear our cry for mercy in the wake of the earthquake. Reveal your presence in the midst of those who are suffering. Help us to trust in your promises of hope and life so that desperation and grief will not overtake them. Come quickly to their aid that all may know peace and joy again. Strengthen them in this time of trial with the assurance of hope we know in the death and resurrection of our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.*

# *Your gifts of \$850.00*

*were sent to  
“Nepal Area Earthquake”  
on Tuesday, May 12.  
You are a blessing!*

## *Nickels for Nepal*

Donate your loose  
change.

Look for the jug in  
the entry way.

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## *God's Story Your Story*

May 17, 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 abundant blessing, we have been baptized with you into death, and therefore have been baptized with you into life. Receive our thanks for giving us new life, for the glory of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**Reflect:** Reflect on the key verses from Sunday's reading. *Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. Romans 6:4-5*

**Study:** Study the reading and consider the background. Paul wrote to the question of sin. If we are saved from sin and death, does that mean we are free to sin because ultimately we will be forgiven? Paul

didn't believe so. Paul suggested that we cannot continue in sin and live in Christ simultaneously. When we are baptized, we become dead to sin. That is not to say we do not commit acts of sin, but that we can no longer sustain life in the perpetual state of sin. We are children of God, and are compelled to walk in Christ's light. Among the baptismal promises is the promise that we will live with God in God's heavenly kingdom forever.

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

**Follow the book of Romans, as Paul explains humanity's relationship with God's righteousness.**

Sunday, Romans 6:1-14, *Hope of Resurrection*

Monday, Romans 9:19-29, *God's Wrath and Mercy*

Tuesday, Romans 9:30-33, *Israel's Unbelief*

Wednesday, Romans 10:1-21, *Salvation for All*

Thursday, Romans 12:1-8, *The New Life in Christ*

Friday, Romans 12:9-21, *Marks of the True Christian*

Saturday, Romans 13:1-14, *Love for One Another*

**What does life in Christ look like in Paul's time? What does it look like today?**

**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?**
- **Does baptism make a difference? Why or why not? Is it transformational or merely symbolic? Explain.**
- **What does it mean to you that you are dead to sin? How does living as a child of God affect the way you behave in the world?**

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

**Take a long walk. With each step, consider what it means for your life to "walk in newness of life."**

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

**O God, the only Lord of all, grant us faith to trust in your word of salvation. Help us live in hope of resurrection every day. Amen.**

# *2015 GRADUATES*



*Amber Enestvedt*

*Wayne & Kris Enestvedt*

*Alen Helmer*

*Steve & Dawn Helmer*

*Josie Lilja*

*Rich & Emy Elbert, Lorin Lilja*

*Breann Mertens*

*Greg & Dawn Mertens*

*Alex Pietig*

*Rocky & Sheila Pietig*

*Emily Revier*


*Dave & Chris Revier*

*Justin Rock*

*Larry & Traci Rock*

*Tanner Mitchell*

*Jason & Julie Mitchell*

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