# This Week At Cross of Calvary

June 7	Worship	9:00am	
Mon	Library reserved	6-8pm	
Tues	Men's Bible Study	6:15am/7:00am	
	LSS Caregiver Meeting 1:00pm		
Thur	Worship	6:30pm	
Sun	Worship	9:00am	

June	12-14	Synod Assembly	
	15	Kitchen Reserved 4-9pm	
	17	Equipping the Congregation Meeting (Parish Life) 6pm	
	17	Council Meeting 7pm	
July	1	Office Closed	
	3	Office Closed	

14-19 Youth Trip to Detroit

Activities change periodically. Please check the website calendar at crossofcalvary.net.

#### **PRAYERS OF HEALING & STRENGTH**

Prayer for	Submitted by	Prayer for	Submitted by
McKenya Egge	B Egge	Craig Nordby	K Barta
Diana Adkins	B Hennen	Randy Revier	C Mallak
Sharon Metteer	B Metteer	Nancy Berry	B Beckman
Tonia Otto	P Aalderks	Vonna Ledeboer	A Ledeboer
Sue McNamara	A Suess	Vickie Beckler	C Senkyr
Belmer Fostvedt	S Fostvedt	Eleanor Van der Hagen	D Boen

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

### Why did we change worship times in the summer?

In 2010, Pastor Matt was offered the gift of Saturday evenings off between Memorial Day weekend and Rally Day weekend.

The following year, Thursday evening worship was provided as an alternative to Sunday service.

In the years since, Thursday service continues to be offered for those who may be busy on a summer Sunday, or may need to travel over the weekend, or who just enjoy a midweek service. We are happy to continue to offer Pastor and his family a bit of a break in the summer, for which they look forward to every year and are very grateful. Thank you Pastor Matt! You deserve it!

Please contact council President Todd Gay if you have any questions.



# Nickels for Nepal

Donate your loose change. Look for the jug in the entry way.



"Prayers of the People"

At each service, 3 or 4 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

Why? Pastor would like more involvement in worship. And, since standing in front doing the readings may be a little intimidating, this is a nice option. Note – we will take readers anytime!

What, you couldn't hear one of the prayers? Some people may be nervous or have quieter voices. Be patient as we get used to this new practice.





The Community Summer Stretch program runs each Wednesday in July. They begin their time with worship, move onto a few hours of service and finish their time with a fun group building activity.

We are hoping to help people with projects around their homes this summer.

Please contact Chelsey if you, or someone you know, has any odds and ends projects they could use some extra hands with. Could be painting, gardening, weeding, moving furniture, cooking,

cleaning etc. We will send a group of 8-10 eager, service-minded students and adult volunteers to your home on a Wednesday of your choice.

Please Contact Chelsey with any questions or projects, <u>320-522-3279</u>.

## CHECK THE COMMUNITY BOARD - East Entrance

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#### SUE McNAMARA and McKENYA EGGE – Fundraiser!

Thursday, June 18, from 4:30-7pm. BBQs, Turkey Sandwiches, Potato Salad, Homemade Baked Beans, Ice Cream, Pie, Cake, Lemonade and Coffee. Our Saviour's Lutheran Church – Bird Island. FREE WILL OFFERING



**IT'S GARAGE SALE SEASON!!!!** Before you tag that artifical Christmas tree and those extra decortions, consider donating them to Santa's Closet. Please call Nancy Hague at 523-5154, or Sandy Kubesh at 320-522-0106.

God's Story Your Story

#### June 7, 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.

Lord of heaven and earth, there is no one like you from the smallest grain of dust to the most magnificent planet among the stars! We rejoice, for you lift up your people and bring us into your kingdom as royalty. Hear our praise as we celebrate your goodness and bless your name. Amen.

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

Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the Lord; praise the name of the Lord. Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time on and forevermore. Psalm 113:1-2

Study: Study the reading and consider the background.

The name of the Lord is to be praised. It is God who has the power and the willingness to raise the poor and needy from the dust and to treat God's children as royalty. All good things are possible because of a loving God.

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

These psalms of praise describe the many things God has done that are worthy of praise.

Sunday, Psalm 113, *Psalm of Praise* Monday, Psalm 8, *Psalm of Praise* Tuesday, Psalm 68, *Psalm of Praise* Wednesday, Psalm 100, *Psalm of Praise* Thursday, Psalm 111, *Psalm of Praise* Friday, Psalm 122, *Psalm of Praise* Saturday, Psalm 150, *Psalm of Praise* 

#### What kinds of things do these praise psalms praise God for?

**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?
- What does our community/culture praise? Where does God fit in with the things we praise?
- What is the most wonderful thing God has done for you? How has that changed you?

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

Write one different praise word on a slip of paper every day. Concentrate on that word throughout the day. Notice how often God shows up in your world.

**Bless:** Close your devotion with a blessing. Bless yourself or other members of your household. **May God show up boldly in your world today. Amen.** 



Bring nonperishable items for the food shelf. The need is great when kids are home during the summer.