



Cross of Calvary

LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Follower

September 2018

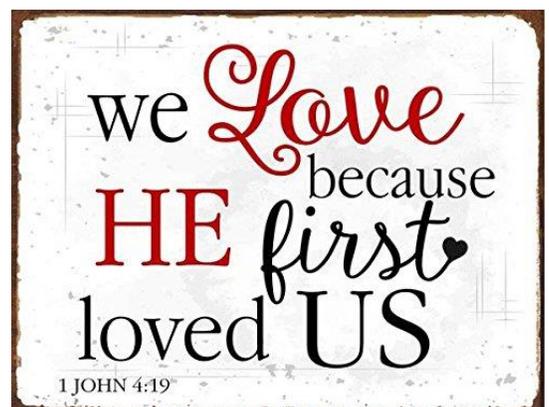


I love the Minnesota State Fair. I love the sights, sounds, smells, and of course, the tastes of the Fair. I'm not sure I can even pinpoint one thing I like the best. I just like being there for the smorgasbord of sensations at the "Great Minnesota Get-together."

I feel the same way about our church. I love the sights of the family of God, gathered together. I love the sounds of music, caring conversations and kid's laughter. I love the smells of the ham dinner, frying lefse and the candles in worship, just after they've been extinguished. I love the taste of the body and blood of Christ, given and shed for me. I just love being there for the smorgasbord of opportunities to connect with God and one another at Cross of Calvary.

As Summer wanes and Fall begins, I look forward being a part of this body of Christ with you.

Sarah



Youth Activities

September

- 5th – Confirmation Meeting
(parents & kids) at 6:30 – 7:30
- 5th – TIM Team
- 6th – Breakfast Club
- 9th – Rally Sunday – Sunday
School
- 9th – 3rd, 7th & 8th Graders receive
Bibles during either service
- 11th – Jesus Justice League
- 12th – WOW
- 12th – Confirmation
- 12th – Breakfast Club
- 12th – Youth Band
- 16th – 3rd Grade Bible Class
(option 1)
- 16th – Sunday School
- 18th – 3rd Grade Bible Class
(option 2)
- 19th – Confirmation
- 19th – WOW
- 19th – 1st Communion Class
- 20th – Breakfast Club
- 23rd – Sunday School
- 26th – Confirmation
- 26th – WOW
- 26th – 1st Communion Class
- 27th – Breakfast Club
- 30th – Sunday School

Youth Events/News

The Children Youth and Education Committee is looking for 2-3 youth in grades 7-12 who would like to be part of the committee. Our mission is to equip and support children and youth to grow in faith, to equip and support families to pass on the faith and live well in Christ, and to equip and support Cross of Calvary Staff and volunteers.

Breakfast Club is for Youth in grades 10-12 and will begin at 7:07 on Thursday, September 13 at Cross of Calvary. We will gather every Thursday.

Youth Band will begin practices on Wednesday, September 12, at 8:30pm. Let Jeni know if you are interested in participating.

TIM Team will meet on Wednesday, September 5 at 8:30pm. All Senior High youth interested in planning or participating in Senior high youth group please come with ideas!

Wonders on Wednesday (WOW) is our weekly after school program for 4-6th graders. Students can ride bus ___ to church on Wednesdays starting Sept 12 for snack, free time, games, Bible dramas, singing, and interactive prayer time. Kids can be picked up at 5 pm.

Jesus Justice League is our monthly after school program for 1-3 graders. Students can ride bus ___ to church the 2nd Tuesday of the month starting Sept. 11 for snack and an opportunity to “play” Bible stories through games, drama, science, art and singing. Kids can be picked up at 5 pm.

Junior High Gathering

Its time to talk about the Junior High gathering! The theme is Undeniably Known and theme verse is from 1 Corinthians 13:12. (FYI: This was also the theme of the Senior high gathering last spring.) Rachel Kurtz will be the band and the speaker. We will attend the Friday night event on November 16-17 at the Willmar Conference Center and stay in the attached hotels. Cost is \$60 and includes t-shirt, snack, breakfast, lodging, and program. Registration is due on Wednesday, October 3. (Cost for nonmembers/friends is \$85.) Forms are on our office door or the youth board. Talk to Jeni or Sarah if you have questions.

Church News/Events

Worship Time

Saturdays 5:30 pm

Sunday at 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Sunday School starts September 9th, please register online at <https://goo.gl/forms/eVrVFzjlwpc15ODw1>

September 9 - "God's work. Our hands." Sunday is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. It is a day dedicated to service in our community.

11:45 am - Pot Luck Dinner

12:45 am - Sending Devotion

1:00 - 3:00 pm Service Projects throughout our community

One of our projects will be assembling Blizzard Boxes for Lutheran Social Services Senior Dining and Meals on Wheels.

We're collecting donations of these items:

• Cans of chicken or tuna • Cans of fruit • Individual packs of crackers, such as plain or cheese/peanut butter crackers • Hot cocoa packets • Granola bars, pudding cups, or small packs of cookies

New Member Sunday: September 16th (either service) or November 11th (either service) Contact the office or fill out a new member info form: <https://goo.gl/forms/eVrVFzjlwpc15ODw1>

There will be a **new Women's Study** beginning Thursday, September 20 at 8:15am and Tuesday night, September 18 at 6:30pm. Book: "Present over perfect"

Dorcas Bible Study will start Wednesday, September 26th at 9:30 am. Please meet in the Fellowship Hall.

Ruth Bible Study will start Monday, September 24 at 1:30 pm. Please meet at Parkview place.

Men's Bible Study: Tuesday at either 6:15 am or 7:00 am. Please meet in the Church Library.

Cross of Calvary Care Team: We will meet every month on the 2nd Sunday from 9:30 – 10:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Contact DeeAnne Newville if interested in joining.

GIVING ONLINE at Cross of Calvary

Cross of Calvary is reminding you can now manage your giving online! Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet.

Simply follow these easy steps:

- 1) Visit the church website at crossofcalvary.net
- 2) Click on the GIVE button,
- 3) Click on HERE TO GIVE, then
- 4) Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.

Harvest Fest: September 11th from 4:30 – 7:00 pm. Join us in celebrating a bountiful harvest season with fellowship over a meatball supper and bake sale. Proceeds will go toward local mission projects. For more information, please see church entrance board. Our Saviors Lutheran Church, Sacred Heart

Our Savior's/Opdal Lutheran Parish invite everyone to join with them as they celebrate 150 years of fellowship on September 30. For more information, please see church entrance board.

Thanksgiving is worth celebrating any time of year! **St. John's Catholic Church in Hector** is having their 20th annual Turkey Supper on September 5, 2018. We will be serving in our parish hall from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Take-outs will also be available at this time. The menu includes turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, coleslaw, cranberries, bread, pickles, beverage and pumpkin bars. Cost is \$11.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children ages 4-10. All are invited!

Hope Pregnancy Center invites you to our Annual Celebration of Life Event that will be held at the Willmar Conference Center on Monday, September 24th, 2018. This year's theme is "Super Heroes". Marc Newman, president of Speaker for life will be our keynote speaker. Come prepared to be entertained, to laugh, and be challenged! The Social Hour and Silent Auction will begin at 6:30, and Dinner & Program including a Live Auction, at 6:30. No tickets are required, but an RSVP is necessary to reserve YOUR place at a table: call 320-235-7619.

Children of the Promise will be holding our first annual corn maze in Clara City this Sept. 1st – Oct. 31st. We invite your congregation to join us in the fun, found on Wolverine Drive. Our maze is 8 acres, paired with pumpkins, treats, and special events every weekend. Our hours are Thursday: 3-11 pm, Friday & Saturday: 9:00 am – 11:00 pm, and Sunday: noon – 6 pm. All profits will go to Children of the Promise. Our mission to provide a healthy, Christian home and family for every Haitian child. We hope to see you there! For more information, go to facebook.com/1SEEDMN

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 9/1 – Gladie Hagen | 9/9 – Kye Elfering | 9/22 – Parker Ridler |
| 9/1 – Kat Gatsche | 9/10 – Don Revier | 9/22 – Phoenix Allinder |
| 9/2 – Madison Van Vleet | 9/10 – Dale Frank | |
| 9/2 – Cahleah Harrell | 9/10 – Megan Ridler | 9/23 – Carole Buhr |
| 9/3 – Scott Sunvold | 9/10 – Katelyn Torkelson | 9/23 - Steve Helmer |
| 9/4 – Veva Mittelstadt | 9/11 – Mamie Folkerts | 9/24 – Gloria Franzen |
| 9/4 – Daren Sagedahl | 9/12 – Barry Slagter | 9/24 – June Mertz |
| 9/4 – Braxton Helmer | 9/12 – Siri Youngkrantz | 9/24 – Cal Wick |
| 9/5 – Rocky Pietig | 9/13 – Karen Revier | 9/24 – Elin Elfering |
| 9/5 – Brenna Weis | 9/13 – Darnell Bratsch | 9/25 – Ethan Whited |
| 9/6 – Elaine Maurice | 9/14 – Justin Fahse | 9/25 – Kya Young |
| 9/6 – Tom Balderston | 9/14 – Joseph Lingl Jr | 9/25 – Kaylee Fennern |
| 9/6 – Chris Hanson | 9/14 – Jordan Skeie | 9/26 – Willem Deklerk |
| 9/6 – Devin Gluesing | 9/14 – Kylee Berg | 9/26 – Craig Lothert, Sr. |
| 9/6 – Bjorn Hausken | 9/14 – Matt Fischer | 9/26 – Kelli Meyer |
| 9/7 – Nancy Shafer | 9/15 – Isiah Boehme | 9/26 – Ashley Trongard |
| 9/7 – Sharon Metteer | | 9/26 – Ethan Dahl |
| 9/7 – Loren Rausch | 9/16 – Debbie Knudson | 9/17 – Shad Evenson |
| 9/7 – Charlie Visser | 9/16 – Andy Lang | 9/28 – Jordan Amberg |
| 9/8 – Kathy Reese | 9/18 – Dawn Mertens | 9/29 – Larry Larson |
| 9/8 – Ruth Linde | 9/18 – Chris McDowell | 9/29 – Dave Triplett |
| 9/8 – Lynn Johnson | 9/19 – Stan Malecek | 9/29 – Erik Wogen |
| 9/8 – Kaden Bahl | 9/19 – Alicia Osthus | 9/29 – Casey Meyer |
| 9/9 – Marlys Klinghagen | 9/20 – Caitlyn Bellig | 9/29 – Liam Tretsven |
| 9/9 – Rich Elbert | 9/20 – Jacob Lingl | 9/30 – Ryan Erickson |
| 9/9 – Brian Mittelstadt | 9/20 – Baylie Kubesh | 9/30 – Kelsey Fischer |
| 9/9 – Angela Cole | 9/21 – Bob Fliflet | 9/30 – Katie Wick |
| 9/9 - Madelyn Cole | 9/21 – Ella Diech | |

September 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Worship 9:00 am	3 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm	4 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	5 Confirmation Parent/Student Meeting at 6:30 pm	6	7	8 Worship 5:30 pm
9 Worship 8:30 am and 10:30 am Sunday School 9:30 – 10:20 am Rally Sunday "God's Work, Our Hands" Bible Presentation: Grades 3,7&8 Grades Care Team Mtg. 9:45	10 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm	11 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am Jesus Justice League 3:15-5:00	12 Confirmation Meal 5:45-6:20 Class 6:30-7:30 WOW 3:15-5:00	13	14	15 Worship 5:30
16 Worship 8:30 am and 10:30 am Sunday School 9:30- 10:20 New Member Sunday (orientation between services in the library) 3 rd Grade Bible Class 11:45-1:00 (option 1)	17 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm	18 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am Church Staff Workers Retreat – all day (office closed) 3 rd Grade Bible Class 11:45-1:00 (option 2)	19 Confirmation Meal 5:45-6:20 Class 6:30-7:30 Council Meeting at 7:30 pm 1 st Communion Class from 3:15 – 5:00	20	21	22 Worship 5:30 pm
23 Worship 9:00 am and 5:30 pm	24 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm Ruth Bible Study at 1:30 pm - Parkview	25 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	26 Confirmation Meal 5:45-6:20 Class 6:30-7:30 1 st Communion Class from 3:15 – 5:00 Dorcas Bible Study at 9:30 am (Fellowship Hall)	27	28	29 Worship 5:30 pm
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Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes for: Wednesday, August 15, 2018 @ 7:30pm

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Dana Boen	2020	Jon Hawkinson	2021	*Eric Skeie	2019*
*Curt Sather	2020	Laurence Stratton	2021	*Natasha Johnson	2019*
*Jill Hanson	2020	*Paul Buhr	2019	*Alex Gay	2021
DeeAnne Newville	2020	*Gordon Blem	2019		
Steve Altmann	2021				

Terms end at Annual Meeting (Jan.)

*Second term/*Present

STAFF

*Pastor Matt Hausken *Jeni Skeie, Parish Minister *Sarah Hausken, Parish Minister *Sue Altmann, Council Recorder

AGENDA

1. Meeting called to order- Gordy Blem
2. Devotions – *Jill Hanson*
3. Approve minutes of the ***June/July meeting*** – Motion to approve the minutes by Eric Skeie, seconded by Steve Altmann, motion passed.
4. Financial Secretary and Treasurer Reports – ***June/July*** - Motion to approve the treasurer/secretary report by Jill Hanson, seconded by Dana Boen, motion passed.
 - o Discussion on how to receive more money/more revenue. Curt Sather will do a temple talk about church finances on Sept. 9th.
5. Pastor's report - Staff has been preparing for upcoming year. Confirmation will be using the sola curriculum for 7th, 8th & 9th graders. There are 6 leaders.
 - o Hoping to have Adult studies during Sunday school hours.
 - o New member Sunday will be Sept. 16th or November 11th.
 - o National Gathering was a huge success.
6. Parish Ministers report – Notes given to council, if anyone would like to read them, please stop in the church office.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (2018)

1. Administration – Gordy Blem, Curt Sather & Steve Altmann – covered with financial report
2. Children, Youth and Family- Laurence Stratton & Natasha Johnson - working with Parish ministers
3. Equipping – Eric Skeie - working on members for the committee
4. Missions – Paul Buhr & Alex Gay – planning on meeting in September
5. Worship and Music – Paul Buhr & Jill Hanson – will be meeting soon. Suggestion to sing “The Lord’s Prayer”
6. Care Team – DeeAnne Newville - Plans to send cards to a variety of people in need. continue with comfort meal
7. Parish Life – Dana Boen - working on members for the committee
8. Outreach – Jon Hawkinson & Jill Hanson – working on members for the committee
9. Technology – Steve Altmann – all is running smoothly
10. AED Maintenance – Steve Altmann

OLD BUSINESS

- Update on new storage shed, thank you men’s group!
- New member Sunday: September 16th & November 11th
- Worship Schedule: Saturday, September 8th will start the 5:30 pm services and Sunday, September 9th will start the 8:30 and 10:30 services. Sunday School will resume on the 9th also.

NEW BUSINESS

- September 2nd – 9:00 am service only – due to Labor Day weekend
- Rally Sunday: September 9th
- “God’s Work, Our Hands”: September 9th
- Grades 3, 7 & 8 will receive their Bibles on Sunday, September 9th
- Start of Youth Programs will be in September
- September 18th – Church Staff Workshop in Redwood Falls – staff gone all day

Next Council meeting: Wednesday, September 19, at 7:30 pm
September Communion: 8:30 – Laurence Stratton, 10:30 – Eric Skeie
September Devotion – Laurence Stratton

Adjourn / Close in prayer.