Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

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February 10, 2019

Cross of Calvary is the ELCA church in Olivia. We are an intergenerational (fancy word for young and old) community that follows Jesus out the building to where we live. We are all learners (disciples) here. This is a safe place to practice worship. And, believe us, it takes practice. Your questions, critical thinking, doubts and imperfect lives are welcome here.

Holy Communion

Holy Communion is open to all who are baptized and trust that Christ is present in the meal, regardless of your tradition or affiliation. Wine (red)/grape juice (white).

Participation:

Bold type means all of us read or pray together. Out loud. * Please stand as you are able.

Children in Church

They belong here! They are hearing God's Word, music and prayers. We don't mind fidgeting and chatter! If you like, there are activity bags available in the entry.

Announcements

They are as printed or any new information please give to Pastor Matt prior to worship, please hand a note to Pastor with any announcements, including prayer requests

<u>Restrooms</u> they are located in the hallway to the left of the stairs.





WorshipTimes

Saturday: 5:30 PM Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30

Coffee Hour

Sunday: 9:30 AM

Sunday School

Sunday: 9:30 AM

Building Hours

Mon-Thurs 8:30-7:00

Fri-Sun 8:30-2:00

Office Hours

Mon, Tues, and Thurs.;

8:30-3:00

Wednesday 8:30-4:00

Friday 8:30-2:00

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February 10 – February 17

Sunday 2/10	Worship	8:30 & 10:30	
	Camp Sunday		
	Care Team Meeting	9:45 am	
Monday 2/11	Library reserved	6:00-8:00	
	Boy Scouts	6:30	
Tuesday 2/12	Men's Bible Study	6:15/7:00	
	Jesus Justice League	3:15- 5:00	
	Stephen Ministry	5:30 - 8:00	
Wednesday 2/13	WOW	3:15-5:00	
	Confirmation/Meal		
Thursday 2/14	Breakfast Club	7:07 am	
	Women's Bible Study	8:15 am	
	Quilters	9:00 am	
Friday 2/15			
Saturday 2/16	Worship	5:30	
Sunday 2/17	Worship	8:30 & 10:30	

<u>Cross of Calvary Quilters</u> delivered 8 quilts and a bag of toiletries to Safe Avenues in January. Safe Avenues provides advocacy, parenting time services, and emergency shelter for victims of domestic and sexual violence. Thank you Quilters!

<u>The Care Team Committee</u> will host a soup packaging day on Sunday, February 10th following the second service. If you are interested in joining us for this event please bring a soup that will freeze well. We will freeze 3-cup servings that will be left at the church. For members interested in bringing soup or hot dishes already packaged, please label the container with the date and the content. If providing a hot dish, include baking instructions on the label.

Alter Guild Meeting, Feb. 27th at 7:30 pm

Prayer Request



Please take your bulletin home and

pray

for those listed. 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 320- 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.

- *Bob Smith Casey Elfering grandfather
- *Judy Kopacek Ron Kopacek
- *Neva Geweke Angie Boen sister
- *Alexa Fischer Alicia Osthus Family
- *Linda Cole Nate Cole's mother
- *Faith Westby Heather Thompson and family
- *Bodhi Crosby Dani Larson
- *Haakyn Mohr Dani Larson
- *Teeny Kadelbach Friends and family
- *Steven Rosenow Teeny Kadelbach brother
- *Barb Miller friends and family
- *Susie Lothert Friends

Note: Persons will be removed at the end of a month. Please contact the office if you would like the individual to remain on the list longer. Thanks!



Connecting faith & finances for good.®

Thrivent members: 2018 Thrivent Choice Dollars need to be designated on or before March 31st, 2019.

Cross of Calvary is in charge of "Meal on Wheels in March" sign-up sheet is on the board! Thank you!!!!

Cross of Calvary Youth

<u>Camp Sunday</u> is today, we will be sharing the joys of Bible Camp during Sunday School opening. Parents, please come to opening with your children that day. We've found that the Holy Spirit moves in unique ways at camp and we'd love for all kids to experience that. Come find out about camp and how affordable it is thanks to multiple scholarship opportunities through Cross of Calvary.

http://www.gllm.org/uploads/3/1/5/9/31596405/general insert 2019.pdf

GOOD NEWS! The senior high gathering is later this year, so it shouldn't conflict with any playoffs or state tournaments! It will be held April 5-6 at Lake Geneva Christian Center, Alexandria, MN. The camp setting is

setting is so fun with a gym, climbing wall, coffee shop, game room, camp fire, dorms, and worship center. And the food is always so good! Walk Humbly is the theme this year and is based on Micah 6:8 "Do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with your God." 9-12 graders can register with Jeni, sign up on the parish minister door or youth board. Cost is \$75 for members and \$100 for friends. We will leave between 4:30 -6:00 on the 5th and return home at 8pm on the 6th. Bring money for dinner on the drive up and on the drive home and optional snacks and coffee drinks at the gathering.

<u>Senior high</u> (9-12) pizza and night games - February 10 - 6:00-8:30 at Cross of Calvary. Please sign up or text me so I know how much pizza to order.

<u>Senior high youth group</u> mark your calendar for March 10 and 31 also. More info next month!

Ski day - February 24. We will be hitting the slopes at Mt Kato, leaving Cross of Calvary at 12:30 and returning at 9-9:30 pm. This event is for 7-12 grade, however kids younger may participate with a parent or family. Drivers needed. Forms at church on the youth table or on our office door. You must sign up and pay by Wednesday, Feb. 20 for the group rate. (\$21 for lift ticket, \$19 for equipment rentals, \$4 for optional helmet rental. Also beginner lessons are available \$4.) Checks should be made out to Cross of Calvary Youth. Contact Jeni with questions.

<u>Breakfast Club</u> is for Youth in grades 10-12. We will meet every Thursday morning at 7:07 am.

Youth Band will practice on Wednesday evening, at 7:30 pm

<u>Wonders on Wednesday (WOW)</u> is our weekly after school program for 4-6th graders. Students can ride bus 3 to church on Wednesdays for snack, free time, games, Bible dramas, singing, and interactive prayer time. Kids can be picked up at 5 pm.

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

<u>Confirmation Supper</u> Would you consider working with a friend/family to prepare and serve a simple meal to our confirmation student on Wed nights? Approximately 240 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. Sign-up sheet are on the BOARD. Dates with openings: Feb. 27 and May 1. There is also a spots open on Feb. 13, for one more family to join. Please call the office if you are able to help with a meal.

<u>Coffee hour</u> is a time for God's people at Cross of Calvary to minister to each other through caring conversation. All members with youth in grades 1-12 are scheduled one time during the year. Please bring 3 doz. Treats. Directions are posted on the kitchen cupboard. Thank you for serving in this way.

February Coffee Hour	10	Youth	Steve Helmer & Dawn Helmer Brent and Susan Henricksen Steven and Tiffany Herdina
	17	Youth	Travis and Meagan Honzay Joe and Siri Youngkrantz Mark and Jamie Morse
	24	Youth	Kevin and Heidi Morse Tom and DeeAnne Newville Travis and Annmarie Suess



FEBRUARY VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION: 8:30 – Alex Gay 10:30 – Laurence Stratton

USHERS 8:30 – Daren Sagedahl, Brian Boen, Todd Gay & Stan Malecek

10:30 - Corey Gluesing & Aaron Thompson

ACOLYTES 8:30 – Kole Holland & Zane Boen

10:30 - Kyle Frank & Kaylee Fennern

ALTAR GUILD Lynnette Blem & Lowanda Frank

Community News

"Spirit Led Innovation" Equipping Congregation Day, Saturday, Feb. 23, 2019 at Vinje Lutheran & Bethel Lutheran Willmar, MN for more information please check the east entrance board.

<u>Community Talking Circles</u>: Come sit in and have a conversation to get a better understanding of what things will look and feel like when using the Circle process. You may attend all of the Circles, a few, or just one. All are welcome!! The conversation will be held Monday and Tuesday evenings at Renville County Government Center in room 117. Begins each night @ 5.00 with a snack and gets started at 5:15 to 6:30. Feb. 12, 19, 25 & 26

Christian Community Outreach Center needs HELP!!!

PR & Fundraising: Faith based organization seeking candidate to write grants, recruit volunteers, maintain contact with area churches, community groups and schools. Employee will support & promote the work of the after school program and other ministries of the organization. Approximately 10 hours per week. Flexible schedule. Grant writing experience required. Send cover letter and resume listing 3 references to: Christian Community Outreach Center, 815 E Lincoln, Olivia MN 56277 Closing date February 22, 2019 at 4:00 pm

After School Enrichment Coordinator: Faith based organization seeking candidate to plan and implement activities for after school program in Olivia. Candidate will direct service projects, train volunteers, supervise homework time, and teach morals and values through daily Jesus time. Successful candidate must have experience working with children in educational or faith setting. Hours are 2:30-6:00 M-F. Program follows BOLD School calendar. Send cover letter and resume listing 3 references to Christian Community Outreach Center, 815 E Lincoln, Olivia MN 56277 Closing date, February 22, 2019 at 4:00 pm

<u>RC Hospital Foundation</u> is sponsoring the 2019 Women's Health & Wellness Expo on February 12th, from 11 AM to 2 PM at RC Hospital in Olivia. Our Guest speakers start at 12 PM. Plan to join us for speakers, vendors, food, conversation, laughter, news on health and wellness. Free to all!! For more information contact Sara at <a href="mailto:m

February 10, 2019 Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

HYMN OF THE WEEK

We All Are One in Mission Jesus calls his followers.



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Luke 5:1-11	Jesus calls the first disciples
Monday	Isaiah 6:1-13	The call of Isaiah
Tuesday	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	The call of Paul
Wednesday	Numbers 27:12-23	Joshua appointed Moses' successor
Thursday	James 1:17-18	God's gifts to us
Friday	Exodus 4:10-17	Moses' miraculous power
Saturday	Psalm 138	Praise the Lord with all your heart
Sunday	Luke 6:17-26	Sermon on the plain

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When [Peter, James, and John] had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him. Luke 5:10b-11 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Generous God, you call us by name and send us out to tell of your extravagant love for us. Give us the faith, strength, and courage to be your followers. In Jesus' name, amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear Jesus, just as you filled the nets with fish, we thank you for filling us with this gift of food. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord's steadfast love and faithfulness strengthen your soul. (Psalm 138:2-3)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:
□ Name or think about some things you do well.
☐ How would you describe your "calling" in life?
☐ All Christians are called through their baptisms to be a follower of Jesus. How do
vou use your talents and interests to serve others and follow Jesus?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Luke 5:1-11.

What does it mean to be "catching" people for Jesus? Would you be first in line to say, "Yes," to God? Peter didn't. Isaiah didn't. Moses didn't. Jeremiah didn't. Countless others in the Bible rushed to the end of the line, not the beginning. Thanks be to God that our calling to follow is based on God's call, not on our own decisions. The Apostle Paul puts it well in 1 Corinthians 15:9-10a: "Last of all, as to one untimely born, [Christ] appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am." Fortunately, Christianity is based on God's grace, not our choices. At the same time, God's call frees us to love our neighbor and share God's love with others. Like Peter, James, and John, we all join in the ministry of catching people in the net of Jesus Christ. Why is it important to trust God's call to us and not our own choices? *Pray:* Dear Jesus, we thank you for calling us as disciples to go out into the world to share God's love and grace. Amen.

SERVICE

God uses ordinary people like those who catch fish, those who tend flocks, and those who harvest the fields to do the extraordinary work of helping others be gathered into the community of saints, the church. How can your ordinary talents and interests be used to share God's love with others?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

In Isaiah 6:1-8, Isaiah was involved in worship when he received his call as a prophet. The word worship comes from "worth-ship" or being made worthy. We worship not only to praise God but to receive our worthiness as those loved and sent by God into the world. Jesus told us to personally worship through charitable giving, praying, and fasting (Matthew 6:1-18). Take time as a follower of Jesus to worship this week in your home. Set up a charity alms jar to put loose coins into, say the Lord's Prayer, and fast through a lunchtime.