

# Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

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April 7, 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.**

## **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

**Restrooms** they are located in the hallway to the left of the stairs.





**Worship Times**

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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# April 7 – April 14

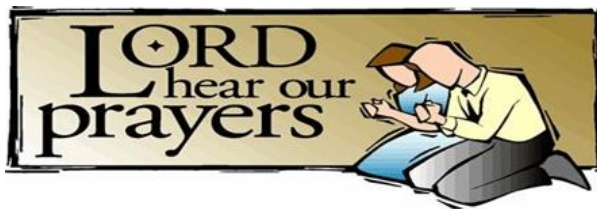
<b>Sunday 4/7</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>8:30 &amp; 10:30</b>
	<b>No Sunday School</b>	
	<b>HAM DINNER 11:00 – 1:00</b>	
	<b>Easter “Good Gifts”</b>	
<b>Monday 4/8</b>	Library reserved	6:00–8:00
	Boy Scouts	6:30
<b>Tuesday 4/9</b>	Men’s Bible Study	6:15/7:00
<b>Wednesday 4/10</b>	<b>Lenten Service</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>
	WOW	3:15-5:00
	Confirmation	6:00 -7:00
	Soup Supper	5:30-6:30
	Theology on Tap	8:00
<b>Thursday 4/11</b>	Breakfast Club	7:07 am
	Women’s Bible Study	8:15 am
	Quilters (last day)	9:00 am
<b>Friday 4/12</b>	9:30 Parkview	
<b>Saturday 4/13</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>5:30</b>
<b>Sunday 4/14</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>	
	<b>Breakfast served 9:30 – 10:15</b>	
	<b>Worship</b>	<b>8:30 &amp; 10:30</b>
	<b>Sunday School</b>	

**\*\*April Sunday Services: April 21<sup>st</sup> 6:30 am and 9:00 am service (Easter Sunday) – all other April weekends are the same times! (8:30 and 10:30)**

## APRIL VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION:	8:30 – Nathan Cole
	10:30 – Jon Hawkinson
USHERS	8:30 – Eric Skeie, Cheryl Mallak, Ron & Linda Fahse
	10:30 – Need Ushers
ACOLYTES	8:30 – Abby Stovern & Madeline Ridler
	10:30 – Daylea Stryker & 1 more needed
ALTAR GUILD:	Stacey Larson & Sarah Iverson

# 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.

Susie Lothert – Family & Friends  
Gary Melin – Joanne Balgaard  
Kathy Brown – Emy Elbert mother  
Linda Cole – Nate Cole’s Mother  
Barb Miller – Friends and Family  
Bob Smith – Casey Elfering grandfather  
Lesley Sagedahl – Daren Sagedahl’s sister  
Steve Palmer – Jeff Keltgen friend

Julie O’Halloran – Doug & Jody Steffel  
Brian Reese – Kathy Reese son  
Larry Amberg – Pete Amberg  
Lori Peterson – Angie Metteer’s friend  
Family of Brian Hanson  
Lyn Tesch – George Tesch daughter  
Donnie Hagen – Dick Hagen brother  
Bev Beckman – Gordy & Lynnette Blem

## Cross of Calvary News/Events

**Couples Open House Wedding Shower honoring,** Jacob Gay and Isabel Avila. The shower will be held at Bird Island’s Grandma’s house at 460 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Street on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Time: 11:00 – 1:00, Registered at Amazon.com

**Hole-y-One Golf Scramble (Cross of Calvary Church and Our Saviors Church):** Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> starting at 2:00 pm. This is a fundraiser for the Youth groups. Please sign up on “The Board “, more info on the board also.

**The movie "Break Through"**, is having a special showing for Cross of Calvary members at the Millennium Theatre in Montevideo on Saturday, April 20th at 10 am. Please sign up on 'The Door' and indicate if you would like to drive as we would be carpooling to this event. Space is limited to 65 people, and cost is free, as the Bazaar committee is treating you to your ticket! Deadline to sign up is Wednesday, **April 17th**. "Break Through" is based on true events and is a Christian drama about a teen boy, who in 2015, broke through an icy lake and was without a pulse for 45 minutes. See what the power of prayer did for this family! NBA basketball player Stephen Curry is executive producer.

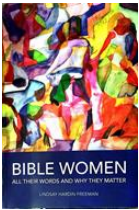
**Stephen Ministry:** What exactly is the Stephen Ministry we've been hearing about? Stephen Ministry is lay caring ministry. Stephen Ministers are not counselors or therapists: rather, they are caring Christian friends who can offer a listening ear to help others through the tough time in life. Stephen Ministers are trained and supervise in their ministry. If you are going through a tough time and could use a caring friend...please contact Jeni Skeie, Carole Buhr, or Pastor Matt. Stephen Ministers offer caring Christian friendship and concerned listening to people when they need it most.

**Care Team is starting a prayer chain.** We are aware of so many loved ones, neighbors, friends and people we don't know who are in need of prayer. Romans 12:12 reminds us to "...be constant in prayer." So, sign up on the bulletin board at the back of the church or email Jeni @ [jeniskeie@gmail.com](mailto:jeniskeie@gmail.com) to sign up. No meetings - just prayers!

**Living Lutheran Magazine** (After April, the magazine will no longer be delivered to your homes. If you are interested in reading the magazine, 10 copies will be available at church for you to take home and read and then return for others to enjoy! A second option would be to go online and google Living Lutheran magazine, Official site): this allows you to read the magazine online (scroll to the bottom of the page to find the magazine, current issue) [www.livinglutheran.org](http://www.livinglutheran.org)

You can also subscribe to receive some Living Lutheran articles via email!

<https://www.livinglutheran.org/subscribe/>



This **Women's Bible Study** will be in Jeni's office. We will meet Sundays. Books can be ordered online. You can join at any time. This takes us into the Bible to look at the women who spoke in the Bible and what they said. Crazy the stuff you find in the Bible....Please join us! If you need help getting your book please contact Jeni.

*Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church of Olivia*

## **Family-Style BAKED HAM DINNER**

Sunday, April 7th, 2019 ☞ 11:00 am-1:00 pm

### Menu

*Baked Ham with Raisin or Cherry Sauce – Parsley Buttered Potatoes – Green Beans  
Cole Slaw – Relishes – Buns – Assorted Desserts – Coffee & Milk*

**Adults \$12.00 (10 & over)**

**Youth \$7.00 (9 & under)**

***Take-outs available until 12:45***

*Ticket sales following church services March 24<sup>th</sup> &  
March 31<sup>st</sup>, available at the door or call 320-523-1574.*

*Ticket donations go toward building improvement & missions.*



**Hosted by the Men's Group in support of youth  
scholarships for camps and mission**

**Where: Cross of Calvary Church**

**When: Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> from 5pm-7pm**

**Who: Adults: \$7.00 - Children: ages 4 to 12 - \$4.00**

**Children 4 and under are free**

**Serving: Spaghetti, Garlic Toast, Veggie Tray, Dessert and Beverage  
Please make checks payable to Cross of Calvary Men's Group**

# Cross of Calvary Youth

**Camp at Green Lake:** Register online and fill out The Cross of Calvary info sheet on the Youth

Board [http://www.gllm.org/uploads/3/1/5/9/31596405/general\\_insert\\_2019.pdf](http://www.gllm.org/uploads/3/1/5/9/31596405/general_insert_2019.pdf)



**Day Camp will be July 7-11** @ Cross of Calvary this year. This program brings in staff from Green Lake Bible Camp for the week. We start Sunday evening with a campfire and continue Monday-Thursday 1-6 pm, with a meal to conclude each day. There will be ty-dying, crafts, games, songs, bible stories and loads of friends. All of this is centered on the theme of Transformed Community and Romans 12:2.

Youth who have finished grades K-6 are encouraged to register online. Cost is \$45.

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

**Wonders on Wednesday (WOW)** 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.

**Jesus Justice League** 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.

**No Sunday School**

**April 7<sup>th</sup> Ham Dinner**

**April 21<sup>st</sup> – Easter Sunday**

# March/April/May Coffee Hour

- April 7 Ham Dinner  
April 14 Palm Sunday Breakfast  
April 21 Easter – no Coffee Hour  
April 28 Brain and Heather Weis  
Richard Sigurdson  
Randy and Tami Steffel  
May 5 Chad & Gina Amsden  
Laurence and Jennifer Stratton  
Derek and Tami Stovern  
May 12 Senior Recognition hosted by the Junior Class parents  
May 19 **Summer Coffee Hour (Hosts needed) sign up on “The Board” and thank you in advance!!**



Coffee hour 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.

## Community News

**7<sup>th</sup> Annual Faith Conference: Developing Spiritual Intelligence**: Saturday, **April 27<sup>th</sup>** at Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter. For more information see entrance board.

**“A Musical Mosaic”** will be performed on **Sunday, April 7, 4:00 pm at St. Aloysius Catholic Church, 320 10th St, in Olivia, MN 56277**. This concert, in a diverse array of familiar choral and orchestral music expression, will include pieces such as *The Awakening*, *God Bless America*, *Beethoven's Hallelujah Chorus*, *The Majesty and Glory of Your Name*, and *The Music of Living*. There will be a free-will collection taken, with 100% of the proceeds going to the **Renville County Food Shelf**. The concert is free and no tickets are required.

### **Easter Egg Hunt: Saturday, April 13 at 9:00**

Ages 0-8, meet at Nester Park Shelter in Olivia  
Free Family Pancake Breakfast following the Easter Egg Hunt at the  
CCOC.

(815 E. Lincoln Ave, Olivia)

Serving until noon – ALL are Welcome!!

Sponsored by Sons of the American Legion Squadron 186,

F & M Bank of Olivia & Master's Coffee Shop



**West Central Minnesota Historical Association's** traveling World War I exhibit will be in the Main Museum. This project was supported by WCMHA's members and the Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grant. 'Many were called. Our entire region responded. How the Great War hit home in West Central Minnesota.' The exhibit covers 5 parts of the war: Heeding the Call, Letters Home, Home Front, Soldier's Life and Returning Home. The Renville County Historical Society has incorporated its World War I collection around this exhibit! This is a must see for all ages!

The Museum is Open Monday - Friday 10 AM - 4 PM and Special Open House on Saturday, April 20, 2019, 10 AM - 4 PM! Serving refreshments!

**Tripolis Lutheran Church** is excited to invite area church musicians to spend an afternoon making music with Hans Peterson and Larry Olson from Dakota Road Music. We will spend our time exploring new music, getting fresh takes on familiar songs, instilling confidence in ourselves as musicians, and having fun being creative in musical experimentation. The workshop is open to all ages and skill levels. The day will end with a worshipful concert that is open to the public, which will include brand new songs from their 2019 release, Here At The Table. A special "Thank You" to the SW MN Synod for funding assistance.

•Workshop 1:00pm-5:00pm (supper provided for participants) \$50/congregation (limit 6) or \$25/single participant with \$10 suggested fee for supper

•Worship (open to public) 7:00pm

**Olivia's House of Hope** will be hosting their 4<sup>th</sup> Annual 'Raising Hope" Event on May 3, 2019. Please see flyer at east entrance for more inform

**Annual Salad Luncheon will be hosted by United Lutheran Church in Lake Lilian** on Friday, April 12 at 12:00 noon. (More information on the east entrance board)

## **Renville County TZD Safe Roads Coalition Message** **Distracted Driving Message – When you're distracted, Who's** **Driving?**





# 2019 Spring Fling Flower Sales



It is that time of year again when the youth of Cross of Calvary have the opportunity to sell flowers!!!

**Sales will run Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> – Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Flower Pickup will be Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**

*(Please note that pickup is ONLY on Friday)*

All proceeds from individual sales will go into your family youth account. This is a wonderful opportunity to raise money for things like bible camp or youth gatherings!!

Never done this before? Here is how it works:

- As orders are taken fill out one INDIVIDUAL ORDER FORM for buyer.
- **Once you have completed your selling please total all orders together on the MASTER ORDER FORM with your overall family total sold.**
- You must collect money with order. Checks can be made out to "Cross of Calvary Youth"
- Turn in **ALL** forms and money on or before **FRIDAY, APRIL 5<sup>th</sup>**.
- All forms and money can be turned in to Sue Altmann in the church office (please do not leave them in the mailbox) or to one of the committee members.
- Customers can pick up their orders on Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 – 7:30pm at the church.
  - *If they are unable to pick up at this time it is the seller's responsibility to pick up and deliver them. If you need to make arrangements for another pick up time please contact one of the committee members.*

***NO ORDERS OR ADDITIONS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER APRIL 7<sup>TH</sup>***

Cost:

Hanging Baskets	\$22.00	Ivy Geranium, Pansies, Impatiens, Wave Petunia, Begonias, and Fuchsia
8" Pot	\$16.00	Geraniums
12" Pot	\$26.00	Geraniums

Committee Members Contact Information:

Amanda Malvin	(320) 579-1515	<a href="mailto:bamalvin@msn.com">bamalvin@msn.com</a>
Bobbie Kopel	(320) 522-0731	<a href="mailto:bobbieoowho@hotmail.com">bobbieoowho@hotmail.com</a>
Tara Amberg	(320) 444-0129	<a href="mailto:tamberg@rccbi.com">tamberg@rccbi.com</a>

*\*\*Plants come from Dundee Nursery (Carr Flowers) of Hutchinson*

**Individual Order**

Buyer Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Seller \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Flower Variety	Color	Qty	Price Each	Total
<b><i>Hanging Baskets for Sunny Spots</i></b>				
Ivy Geranium	<i>Red</i>		\$ 22.00	
Ivy Geranium	<i>Pink</i>		\$ 22.00	
Ivy Geranium	<i>Lavender</i>		\$ 22.00	
Wave Petunia	<i>Pink</i>		\$ 22.00	
Wave Petunia	<i>Purple (Hot Fuschia Purple)</i>		\$ 22.00	
Wave Petunia	<i>Blue (Dark Purple Blue)</i>		\$ 22.00	
Pansies	<i>Mix</i>		\$ 22.00	

<b><i>Hanging Baskets for Shady Spots</i></b>				
Impatiens	<i>Red</i>		\$ 22.00	
Impatiens	<i>Pink</i>		\$ 22.00	
Impatiens	<i>Violet</i>		\$ 22.00	
Impatiens	<i>Mix</i>		\$ 22.00	
Tuberous Begonias	<i>Pink</i>		\$ 22.00	
Tuberous Begonias	<i>Orange</i>		\$ 22.00	
Tuberous Begonias	<i>Yellow</i>		\$ 22.00	
Tuberous Begonias	<i>Red</i>		\$ 22.00	
Fuchsia	<i>Bi-color</i>		\$ 22.00	

<b><i>Potted Plants</i></b>				
8" Geranium Pot	<i>Red</i>		\$ 16.00	
8" Geranium Pot	<i>Pink</i>		\$ 16.00	
8" Geranium Pot	<i>Lavender</i>		\$ 16.00	
12" Geranium Pot	<i>Red</i>		\$ 26.00	
12" Geranium Pot	<i>Pink</i>		\$ 26.00	
12" Geranium Pot	<i>Lavender</i>		\$ 26.00	
<b>Total Plants and Sales</b>			XXXXXX	

Plants can be picked up on Friday, May 10th, from 4:30 - 7:30 ONLY

Please make arrangements with the seller if you can't get your order that day.  
 Checks should be made payable to "Cross of Calvary Youth"

# April 7, 2019

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT



### HYMN OF THE WEEK

You Are My All in All

*Mary shows Jesus extravagant love.*

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	John 12:1-8	Mary anoints Jesus at Bethany
Monday	Isaiah 43:16-21	The Lord will prepare the way
Tuesday	Philippians 3:4b-14	Running toward the goal
Wednesday	Deuteronomy 15:7-11	How to treat the poor
Thursday	2 Corinthians 2:14-17	Aroma of Christ
Friday	Isaiah 43:1-15	God promises restoration
Saturday	Psalms 126	A harvest of joy
Sunday	Luke 19:28-40	Blessed is the king who comes

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. John 12:3 (NRSV)

### PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, through Christ you touch us with lavish love and care. Help us to respond with reverence and joy for all that you do for us. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

God of the harvest, we thank you for filling our bodies with good things and our hearts with joy. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord give you a heart to dream and a mouth filled with laughter and shouts of joy. (Psalm 126:1-2)

## CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- ❑ How do you show others that you care for them?
- ❑ Mary anointed Jesus' feet with expensive perfume. Why do you think she did that?
- ❑ God's love is extravagant. How do you experience God's abundant love?

## DEVOTIONS

*Read:* John 12:1-8.

A wise adage says, "Take time to smell the roses." Life is to be experienced and enjoyed. Sometimes in the midst of our daily schedules and pressures, we forget to slow down and experience the joy of life in God's presence. Mary didn't. In fact, at great cost and with grand gestures she does the unthinkable. She used expensive perfume on Jesus' feet and wiped them with her hair. She broke the norm in her day of contact between men and women but not the norm of faith and love. The room was filled with a wonderful aroma. In the Gospel of John, Mary is the first person to act out her devotion to Jesus. As Jesus approaches Jerusalem and his impending death, there is a preciousness about life and God's saving work that Mary captures, a preciousness we are all called to capture and experience with deep reverence. It identifies a sensation that fills an entire room with the fragrance of the good news of Jesus Christ. How do you slow down to enjoy the beauty of God's presence and saving work in your life?

*Pray:* **Lord Jesus, you who gave everything to love us and save us from our sins, help us to pause, give thanks, and experience the joy of life in your presence. Amen.**

## SERVICE

When Jesus says in John 12:8, "You always have the poor with you," some see it as an insensitive slight to the needs of the poor. However, Jesus was possibly referring to Deuteronomy 15:11, which *commands* generosity toward the poor "since there will never cease to be some in need on the earth." Mary's act of washing Jesus' feet with costly perfume was an extravagant act of kindness. In what ways can you show extravagant love for Jesus by caring for the poor with acts of kindness?

## RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

In John 12:1-8, we learn that Mary [sister of Martha and Lazarus] spread on Jesus' feet expensive perfume (imported from the Himalayas). By anointing Jesus, Mary was pointing forward to his sufferings and death soon thereafter. Part of the Christian tradition is to lavish worship space with fragrances to represent the beautiful aroma of Christ in the world (2 Corinthians 2:15). Use perfume or scented oil to "anoint" your hands or those of another and then pray: **Lord Jesus, thank you for dying on the cross for us. Make our lives like a sweet perfume, attracting others to you. Amen.**