# Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

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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.

Happy Spring





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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## May 5 - May 12

Sunday 5/5 Services 8:30 & 10:30

**Sunday school** 

Church Golf Tourney at 2:00 pm Edie Vogt's Birthday Party 1-3

Monday 5/6Library reserved6:00-8:00Tuesday 5/7Men's Bible Study6:15/7:00

**Wednesday 5/8** WOW 3:15-5:00

Theology on Tap 8:00

Registration for Day Camp opens
Breakfast Club 7:07 am

Women's Bible Study 8:15

Friday 5/10 Flower unloading & pick up

 Saturday 5/11
 Worship
 5:30 pm

 Sunday 5/12
 Worship
 8:30 & 10:30

Sunday school – last day Senior Recognition Sunday

### **MAY VOLUNTEERS**

Thursday 5/9

COMMUNION: 8:30 – Elaine McDowell

10:30 – DeAnne Newville

USHERS 8:30 – Jon Hawkinson, Nathan Cole &

Rod Osthus

10:30 - Duane & Karen Flom,

**David Torgelson** 

ACOLYTES Craig Lothert Jr. & Juliana Kopka

ALTAR GUILD: Karen van der Hagen & Angie Boen

Ring found, please claim in the office.

# 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.

Kathy Brown – Emy Elbert mother Barb Miller – Friends and Family Mike Abrahamson – Bobbi & Tim Lane Wacek – Marcella Wacek Adam Bleck – Elaine McDowell nephew Brandon Ochs – Altmann's friend Tami Steffel –Family

Sandy Kubesh - Family

## **Cross of Calvary News/Events**

<u>The Flower Sales Committee</u> is looking for volunteers to help unload the truck on Friday morning, May 10<sup>th</sup> and/or help during flower pickup. Although all are welcome to help, if you have a youth any hours worked will earn you some dollars in your youth account!!! Unloading the truck starts at 10:00am on Friday morning and pickup will be from 4:00 – 7:00pm on Friday. If you are willing and able please contact one of the committee members or Sue:

Amanda Malvin (320) 579-1515 <u>bamalvin@msn.com</u>

Bobbie Kopel (320) 522-0731 bobbieloowho@hotmail.com

Tara Amberg (320) 444-0129 <u>tamberg@rccbi.com</u>

## 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.

90<sup>th</sup> Birthday party for Edith Vogt Open House will be Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 pm, in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome!!!

# **Cross of Calvary Youth**

<u>Camp at Green Lake:</u> Register online and fill out The CofC info sheet on the Youth Board.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

TRANSFORMED COMMUNITY

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.

## Registration opens on May 8th

# **May Coffee Hour**

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!!



2019 Graduates - An Invitation to the Congregation

Spencer Reinhold Helmer Dawn Helmer & Steve Helmer

Open House: Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 1-4 pm

Lake Lillian Community Center

Jake Jaron Evenson Shad & jenny Evenson

Open House: Sunday, May 26th from 4-7 pm

1003 W. Chestnut Ave, Olivia

Shelby Lynn Stovern Derek & Tami Stovern

Open House: Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup> from 4-8 pm

420 S. 4<sup>th</sup> St. Bird Island

Emma Maureen Thompson Heather & Aaron Thompson

Open House: Saturday, June 1st from 4-7 pm

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Megan Elise Ridler Roger & Tonia Ridler

Open House: Sat., May 18<sup>th</sup> from 12-3 pm

405 S. 4<sup>th</sup> St. Olivia

Trey Michael Mertens Greg & Dawn Mertens

Open House: Sat., June 1st from 6:30 -10 pm

34522 830<sup>th</sup> Ave Olivia

Hayli Marie Garcia George & Elisha Garcia

Open House: Saturday, June 8th from 3-7 pm

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Cade Morse Mark & Jaine Morse

Open House: Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup> form 1-4 pm

Olivia American Legion

Joseph Mikosch Danny Newville

Alexandra Revier

Makenna Steffel

# **Community News**

Renville County Back the Pack: Open House to Thank Donors and Volunteers will be Thursday, May 16 from 2-6 pm at the Pack Shack 104 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Olivia

<u>Fundraiser for Green Lake Lutheran Ministries Camper Scholarship's:</u> Golf Tournament will be held on June 1, 2019. For more information check the East entrance board.

**Spring Fling at St. John Cemetery Association of Osceola Township:** Ice Cream Social, Bake Sale and Bedding Plant sale (vegetables & flowers) Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> from 4-7 pm. serving hotdogs, BBQs, Dessert & Ice Cream Vintage Displays

**PGA Memorial Golf Tournament**: Saturday, May 26: registration at 10:00 am, shotgun starts at 11:11am – A tournament to raise money for the Ronald McDonald House. All are welcome to play!!! Contact Steve & Sue Altmann if interested in playing or donating either money or a silent auction item. Thanks!!!!

# May 5, 2019 THIRD SUNDAY of EASTER

### **HYMN OF THE WEEK**

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



## God speaks to us through others.

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	John 21:1-19	Jesus appears to the disciples
Monday	Acts 9:1-20	Conversion of Saul
Tuesday	Revelation 5:11-14	Heavenly vision
Wednesday	Genesis 18:1-15	Abraham and Sarah promised a
		son
Thursday	James 3:13-18	Two kinds of wisdom
Friday	Revelation 4:1-11	Heavenly worship
Saturday	Psalm 30	God turns mourning into dancing
Sunday	John 10:22-30	Jesus promises life to his sheep

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." **Acts 9:17 (NRSV)** 

### PRAYERS AND BLESSING

### A Prayer for the Week:

God of power and glory, help us to hear your message of life from brothers and sisters in Christ. Help us to be that voice of faith and love to others. Amen.

### **Mealtime Prayer:**

Lord Jesus, just as you gave the disciples the fish and the bread, we ask for your blessing on the food that we are fed. Amen.

### A Blessing to Give:

May God turn your mourning into dancing and your sadness into shouts of joy. (Psalm 30:11)

### CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- Tell or think about an extraordinary moment you have experienced or have seen happen.
- 2 Talk or think about a time you had a special sense of God's presence in your life.
- The Bible emphasizes faith lived out in a community. How is life in a community important to your Christian faith?

### **DEVOTIONS**

Read: Acts 9:1-20.

Few of us have the experience of Saul who would become the Apostle Paul. On the road to Damascus a flash of light blinds him and he hears Jesus speaking. But even for Saul, his dramatic experience does not stand alone. Ananias soon greets Saul as "Brother" in the home of Judas (not Iscariot) and speaks Jesus' message to Saul. Saul's experience is confirmed by the voice and message of others. He receives the Holy Spirit and is baptized in the same faith as all other Christians. Saul is guided on his way and soon is proclaiming Jesus as the Son of God. In the Gospel of John, Jesus speaks of himself as the "Good Shepherd" (10:11). In John 21, Jesus now extends that shepherding ministry to Peter. Peter had denied his discipleship in John 18:15-27. Now his discipleship is reclaimed as he follows Jesus' lead to serve as another good and loving shepherd. The Christian faith is like that: cared for and shepherded by people like Judas, Ananias, Peter, Paul, and countless other followers of Jesus. How have you shepherded others? How have others shepherded you?

Pray: Nurturing God, thank you for caring for us through others. In Jesus' name, amen.

### **SERVICE**

Easter has a rich heritage of giving and sharing good will. God gave us his only Son, Jesus, who gave up his life for us. God's love for us in Christ is truly an unconditional gift. Giving money to the homeless in the streets, taking time to visit someone in a nursing home or one who is homebound, and giving clothes to those in need are some examples of how we can give to others. What act of unconditional love will you do this week?

### RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

During Jesus' time, fish were part of daily meals. Fish and fishermen are mentioned many times in the four gospels, including fishermen who became disciples. The fish became a symbol and secret password for the early Christians. This symbol is still regarded as a traditional Christian sign and can be seen on window decals, bumper stickers, t-shirts, and elsewhere. This week draw a fish shape, cut it out, and place it in a visible place in your home as a reminder that you are a follower of Jesus.