



Cross of Calvary
LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Follower

June/July 2019



Did you know that our church is wider than Cross of Calvary? Since our beginning in 1988, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) has been one church body organized in three expressions,

- congregations,
- synods
- and the church wide organization

Each expression has its unique functions but all three together share a common mission of doing God's work in the world and proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ. There are things we can't do alone, and things we do better together, such as raising, educating and calling rostered leaders (Pastors and Deacons), local and global mission, youth gatherings, providing tools and resources for outreach and stewardship, etc.

One aspect of the Churchwide organization is the ELCA Good Gifts program, which our altar guild promotes at Christmas and Easter. Through that program we do things like develop a relationship with a farmer in Ethiopia in order to provide them with a goat that will sustain their family. By giving financially to that program, Cross of Calvary members reach across the world to teach farmers how to care for that goat, respond when there's a health issue, and watch a family become self-sufficient. Your offerings and gifts do that!

I am grateful to be a part of a church that is sharing the love of Jesus locally, regionally and globally.

Sarah



Sundays
9:00 am and 5:30 pm



Summer Coffee Hour

Summer Coffee Hour (Hosts needed) sign up on "The Board" and thank you in advance!!



Congratulation to Olivia Hanson and Lily Thompson: they were elected to the Southwestern MN Synod Lutheran Youth Organization (LYO) Board. It is truly an honor to be chosen to serve on the LYO board. Please congratulate them when you have a chance!!!!



Day Camp will be July 7-11 @ Cross of Calvary

Cross of Calvary Church News/Events

Bible Studies

Dorcas Bible Study & Ruth Bible Study will start again in the fall.

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

Theology on Tap will meet Wednesdays at 8:00 pm Max's, a young adult Bible Study and discussion group with Pastor Matt.

Women's Bible study is Thursday morning at 8:15 am



Stephen Ministry

One-to-one caring ministry planting a seed of hope and healing
If interested in more information, please
talk to Jeni Skeie, Carole Buhr, or Pastor Matt

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 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



Prayers of Healing and Strength

Lane Wacek – Marcella Wacek
Mike Abrahamson – Family
Adam Bleck – Elaine McDowell nephew
Autumn Stryker – Family and Friends

Tami Steffel –Family
Kathy Brown – Family
Sandy Alton – Sharon & Dick Alton daughter
Linda Cole – Nate Cole's mother

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!

JUNE VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION: 9:00 Jill Hanson
USHERS 9:00 Chris Hanson, John Johnston, Shannon Visser & Dick Hagen
ACOLYTES 9:00 Taylor Amsden & Tyler Amsden
ALTAR GUILD: Katie Bahl & Sue Erickson

JULY VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION: 9:00 Elaine McDowell
USHERS: 9:00 Mark Thiesse, Randy Marguth, Clayton Erickson & Curt Schroer
ACOLYTES Taylor Amsden & Tanner Amsden
ALTAR GUILD Sandy Gay & Cheryl Mallak

Reminder to Cross of Calvary members: readers needed for Sundays, if you are interested please sign up on the "Board". Thanks!!!

Copies of the Cross of Calvary Constitution have been placed in the magazine holder in Narthex. There will be a short meeting on June 23rd to vote for the approval of our Constitution. If you have any question please stop in the church office or contact Gordy Blem, Church president.

Pastoral Care: If you have a need for Pastoral Care from June 9th – 22nd, please contact Jeni Skeie at jeni.skeie@gmail.com or contact the office and I will get you in touch with Jeni.

JUNE BIRTHDAS

06/01	Patricia Aalderks	06/10	Susan Meyer	06/21	Karen Revier
06/01	Gary Beltz	06/10	Danielle Larson	06/21	Amanda Steffel
06/01	Sandy Schломann	06/10	Ethan Sullivan	06/21	Michael Kingstrom
06/01	Mathew Crow	06/10	Samuel Welchance	06/21	Hunter Baumgartner
06/01	Amber Enestvedt	06/11	Michael Steinbeisser	06/24	Kevin Schwer
06/01	Kyle Frank	06/12	Sue Wagemaker	06/25	Lynette Blem
06/02	Charlene Norris	06/12	Leslie Adamski	06/25	Ronda Berg
06/02	Zachary Kopel	06/13	Sharon Malecek	06/26	Cole Schwer
06/03	Jennifer Mertz	06/13	Todd Weber	06/26	Mark Neubauer
06/04	Anthony Boen	06/13	Christopher Johnson	06/26	Finley Bruns
06/04	Sydney Slagter	06/13	Thor Bergren	06/27	Kathy Brown
06/04	Jack Gross	06/13	Paisley Gilberts	06/27	Tracey Johnson
06/04	Oliver Plumley	06/13	Maren Osthus		
06/05	Craig Mages	06/16	Sheldon Hatch	06/27	Kristi Vesterby
06/05	Amanda Zupke				
06/05	Spencer Helmer	06/16	Katie Osthus-Tuthill	06/27	Jaime Morse
06/06	Randy Mertz	06/16	Whitney Trongard	06/27	Cole Mertens
06/06	Laila Ridler	06/18	Vonnie Wertish	06/28	Bonnie Triplett
06/06	Leo Adamski	06/18	Erick Fennern	06/28	Steve Altman
06/07	Lane Wacek	06/18	Karrie Jansen	06/28	Alex Neubauer
06/07	Deb Person	06/18	Lisa Meints	06/28	Hanna Larson
06/07	Greg Mertens	06/18	Andy Bahl	06/29	Willian Nere
06/07	Maddison Jensen	06/19	Chris Revier	06/29	Maegen Honzay
06/08	Lucy Malvin				
06/09	Ben Mitchell	06/19	Joseph Mikosch	06/30	Margaret Flemming
06/09	Bennett Trochliil	06/20	Summer Hennen	06/30	Matthew Hausken
06/09	Miranda Boen			06/30	Samantha Newland
06/01	Landon Woelfel				
06/05	Bria Henriksen				

JULY BIRTHDAY

07/01	Jennifer Evenson	07/13	Dick Philips	07/25	Shirley Beckler
07/02	Jim Page	07/13	Marilyn Hatch	07/25	Hunter Borer
07/02	Kris Kopel	07/13	Caty Zupke	07/25	Elliot Lang
07/02	Dennis Young	07/15	Craig Boen	07/25	Berkley Bremseth
07/02	Taylor Fennern	07/15	Lara Neubauer	07/26	Lloyd Bentley
07/03	Kevin Whited	07/17	Becky Mages	07/26	Carol Horrmann
07/03	Dan Amberg	07/17	Nathan Bahl	07/27	Nicholas Serbus
07/03	Sara Grasmon	07/18	Melissa Honzay	07/27	Khari Knudson
07/04	Brandon Malvin	07/18	Cree Garcia	07/28	Jeff Keltgen
07/05	Ron Nelson	07/18	Sutton Weis	07/28	Tara Wertish
07/05	Jessica Lothert	07/19	George Tesch	07/28	Mandi Young
07/05	Tom Osthus	07/19	Bob Vesterby	07/28	Ryan Aeikens
07/05	Sean Weibel	07/19	Skye Hebrink	07/28	Cody Thorpe
07/07	Carrie Oyama	07/19	Laiklee Bruns	07/29	Gary Woltjer
07/07	Joseph Aponte	07/20	Shannon Visser	07/29	Duane Flom
07/07	William Stratton	07/20	Ryan Johnson	07/29	Beverly Beckman
07/08	Karen Harrier	07/20	David Garcia	07/29	Corey Gluesing
07/08	Trey Mertens	07/20	George Garcia	07/29	Monica Ridler
07/08	Lilly Nere	07/20	Halle Helin	07/29	Kellen Hennen
07/09	Amanda Malecek	07/21	Marlin Hanson	07/30	Mike Brown
07/09	Amanda Malvin	07/21	Justin Rock	0730	Brad Klinghagen
07/09	Heather Weis	07/22	Tina Weber	07/30	Hallie Kemnitz
07/09	Connor Bratsch	07/22	Lily Thompson	07/30	Sam Hennen
07/10	Michelle Senger-Dvorak	07/22	Gerhardt Linde	07/30	Luke Hennen
07/10	Alisha Flemming	07/22	Emma Woelfel	07/31	Kathy Aumer
07/10	Autumn Stryker	07/23	Dave Revier	07/31	Mary Senger
07/12	Jodell Gilberts	07/24	Chet Boen	07/31	Aaron Thompson
07/12	Matthew Fahse	07/24	Richard Toren	07/31	Shane Meuhlberg

Community News

Renville County Human Services is currently seeking individuals who are willing to be foster parents to children who are in need of a home. Foster parents can be blended families, one or two parent families, retired or single. The most important aspects of fostering a child is your willingness to provide a loving, safe and stable environment. Foster parents are considered part of a team of individuals who are working to make a better life for a child. Foster parents help a child through a difficult time, share their gifts and talents and receive reimbursement for their dedication and service to children. It is time to share your gifts and talents and become a foster parent? Please call Renville County Human Services at 320-523-2202 to find out more about fostering a child.

Christian Community Outreach Center

After School Enrichment Coordinator: Faith based organization seeking candidate to plan and implement activities for after school program located 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, July 1, 2019 at 4:00 pm.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Bird Island is having their Annual Ice Cream Social on Thursday, June 13th from 4:30 – 7:00 pm. Serving: BBQ's, Hot dogs, Potato Salad, Homemade Baked Beans, Pie, Cake Ice cream, Coffee and Lemonade! Free will offering for the Fank Family. Ecumenical Worship Service in the Park to Follow at 7:00 pm.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
June 2019				30 Women's Bible Study 8:15 am	31	1 Fellowship Hall used for Thompson Graduation
2 Worship 9:00 am & 5:30 pm	3 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm	4 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	5 Adult Choir 7:00 pm T on TAP at 8:00 pm	6 Women's Bible Study 8:15 am	7	8 Fellowship Hall used for Garcia Graduation
9 Worship 9:00 am & 5:30 pm Care Team Mtg.	10 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm	11 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	12 Adult Choir 7:00 pm T on TAP at 8:00 pm	13 Women's Bible Study 8:15 am	14	15
16 Worship 9:00 am & 5:30 pm	17 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm	18 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	19 Adult Choir 7:00 pm T on TAP at 8:00 pm	20 Women's Bible Study 8:15 am	21	22
23 Worship 9:00 & 5:30 pm Equipping Mtg. 10:00 Congratulatory Vote on Church Constitution	24 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm Outreach Mtg. 5:00	25 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	26 Adult Choir 7:00 pm T on TAP at 8:00 pm	27 Women's Bible Study 8:15 am	28	29 Memorial
30 Worship 9:00 & 5:30 pm						
July 2019	1	2	3 Adult Choir 7:00	4 Office Closed	5 Office Closed	6
7 Worship 9:00 am & 5:30 pm Day Camp 3-6 pm	8 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm Day Camp 1-6	9 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am Day Camp 1-6	10 Adult Choir 7:00 T on TAP at 8:00 Summer Stretch 8:30-3:30 Day Camp 1-6	11 Women's Bible Study 8:15 am Day Camp 1-6	12	13 Bridal Shower
14 Worship 9:00 am & 5:30 pm Care Team Mtg.	15 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm	16 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	17 Adult Choir 7:00 Summer Stretch 8:30-3:30 Council Meeting at 7:30 pm	18 Women's Bible Study 8:15 am	19	20 Wedding off-site Cody Dale
21 Worship 9:00 am & 5:30 pm	22 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm Ecum. Service	23 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	24 Adult Choir 7:00 Summer Stretch 8:30-3:30	25 Women's Bible Study 8:15 am	26	27

Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes for: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 7:30 pm

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Dana Boen#	2020	Jon Hawkinson	2021*	Reggie Lothert	2022
Curt Sather	2020	Laurence Stratton	2021	Nathan Cole	2022
Jill Hanson	2020	Elaine McDowell#	2022	Alex Gay	2021
DeeAnne Newville	2020*	Gordon Blem	2022	Sam Welchance – Youth member	
Steve Altmann	2021*			Terms end at Annual Meeting (Jan.)	

*Second term/# absent

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 – *Elaine McDowell – Change: Jesus never changes!*
3. Approve minutes of the *April meeting* – Motion to approve the minutes by Steve Altmann, seconded by Jill Hanson, motion passed. –
4. Financial Secretary and Treasurer Reports – *April* - Motion to approve the treasurer/secretary report by Dana Boen, seconded by Curt Sather, motion passed. (\$23,000 needed per month, which means we have fallen short the past few months.)
5. Pastor's report - All activates are wrapping up for the school year. Theology on Tap is going wonderfully, gather a larger group. Barb Miller funeral. Pastor's plans for the summer are to work on planning for the fall. (Confirmation, Sunday school, etc.) Permission was granted for Pastor Matt and family to travel to Norway for two week in June. Jeni Skeie will take care of Pastoral acts: as needed.
6. Parish Ministers report – Huge thank you to all volunteers for Cross of Calvary events, these events would not be as successful with our members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (2019)

1. Administration – Alex Gay & Nathan Cole: \$2,100 for landscaping update on the west side of the church and around the new shed... There is money set aside for this project. Nate Cole is taking the lead on this project.
2. Children, Youth and Family-Reggie Lothert: no report
3. Equipping –Laurence Stratton & Elaine McDowell: continuing to gather surveys from members.
4. Missions –Alex Gay: \$3,600 left in budget
5. Worship and Music –Jill Hanson: No report
6. Care Team – DeeAnne Newville: No report
7. Parish Life – Dana Boen: Working on concert in the Park during Corn Capital days.
8. Outreach – Jon Hawkinson & Jill Hanson: Meeting on May 23rd.
9. Technology – Steve Altmann & Nathan Cole: Copy machine is great!
10. AED Maintenance – Steve Altmann

OLD BUSINESS

- Synod Assembly: Council decision on whether to send representatives. (Not in the budget) We will be sending only on person this year. (George Tesch) He was the only one available to attend; the other 2 are unable to make the Assembly this year.
 - Alex Gay made a motion to contact all 3 members voted to attend. See above for results. Seconded by Nate Cole. The votes was 2 no and 11 yes.
- Task group for Membership Role

NEW BUSINESS

- Does the Council want Financial Statements mailed in June? Yes, will be mailed out the first week in July.
- Alzheimer Caregivers have approached Cross of Calvary to have meetings held at the church. It would possible be the 1st Thursday of the month at 1:00 pm. One of the coordinators is Tara Wertish. They would like to start on June 6th.
- Added: Church Council Meeting in July 2019, instead of June?? A motion was made by Steve Altmann to let them hold their meeting here at Cross of Calvary, seconded by Curt Sather – motioned passed.

Next Council meeting: Wednesday, July 17 at 7:30 pm – No Council meeting in June

June Communion: 9:00 – Jill Hanson

June Devotion – Steve Altman

Adjourn / Close in prayer.