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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.

Church news

August 25 – September 1

Sunday 8/25	Services	9:00 am & 5:30
Monday 8/26	Library reserved	6:00–8:00 pm
	Outreach meeting at 5:30 pm	
Tuesday 8/27	Men's Bible Study	6:15/7:00
Wednesday 8/28	Sunday School teacher meeting -	7:30
Thursday 8/29	Women's Bible Study	8:00 am
Friday 8/30		
Saturday 8/31	Baptism - Brustuen	
Sunday 09/01	Worship	9:00 am & 5:30 pm

SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION:	9:00	Dana Boen
USHERS	9:00 & 8:30	Brian Kingery, Dan Gross, Dan Amberg & Jordan Amberg
	10:30	Clayton Erickson & Craig Gartner
ACOLYTES	8:30 & 9:00	Jack Gross
	10:30	Bjorn Hausken
CLICKER	5:30 PM -	
	8:30 AM -	
	10:30 AM -	
ALTAR GUILD:	Marlys Klinghagen	& Barb Wertish

Basketball backboard: Cross of Calvary members, we are in need of replacing the backboard on the east side of the church. If anyone is interested in taking on this project, please give the office a call at 320-523-1574 or email crossofcalvary@gmail.com
Thank You!



Invite a Neighbor to Worship!

At Cross of Calvary, God fills our cups to overflowing. If you bring a neighbor (everyone is our neighbor in Christ) to worship Sept 8 or 15, you will receive a Cross of Calvary travel tumbler!

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
Mike Abrahamson – Bobbi & Tim
Tami Steffel –Family
Autum Stryker – Family and friends
Sister Neva – Angie Boen's sister
Ione Parsons – Gladie Hagen sister
Elaine Julius - Friends

Luella Norberg – Lynnette Blem's mother
Ilsa, Sigred & Calvin Wiger – Grandchildren of Sheldon & Lynn Wiger
Patricia Swanson – Ken Z. sister
Briar Lippert – son of Jay & Heidi Lippert
Evelyn Noel – Chet Boen's sister
Marlin Hanson – Maureen Hanson

Linda Cole – Nate Cole's mother
Sandy Alton – Sharon & Dick Alton daughter
Barb Gomarko – Mark & Pam Olson
Bev Beckman – Friend of the Blem's
Rosalie Sheggeby – Friends
Family of Steve Palmer – Jeff Keltgen

Cross of Calvary Events for August

- August 26th - Outreach Meeting at 7:30 pm
August 28th – Sunday school teachers meeting at 7:30 pm
September 4th – Confirmation Meeting for Parents & students 6:30 pm
(Bring calendar to sign up for meal, Clickers & acolyte)
September 7th – Church service at 5:30 pm
September 8th – Rally Sunday
Church services are at 8:30 am & 10:30 am
September 11th - Confirmation starts 5:30 meal/6:30 class
September 15th – God’s Work “our Hands” Sunday

Cross of Calvary Youth

Cross of Calvary Coffee Hour Schedule will be out soon. This involves students/families in Grades K – 12.



Confirmation Meals for September

- September 11 – Bahl & Gross
September 18 –
September 25 –

Community News

Thanksgiving is worth celebrating any time of year! St. John’s Catholic Church in Hector is hosting a Turkey Commercial Supper on September 4, 2019. 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, mashed potatoes and gravy, coleslaw, cranberries, pickles, beverage and pumpkin bars. Cost is \$ 9.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children ages 4-10. All are invited!

ELCA Sanctuary Resolution: This document explains our churches mission on Immigration <https://www.ntnl.org/elca-churchwide-2019-sanctuary-declaration/> It is a very good read about what ELCA is doing.

Trevor Berger Cancer Warrior Benefit: Sunday, August 25th from 11 am to 2 pm. Atwater Community Center. See poster on board for more information.

Cross of Calvary Financial Informatio for General Funds

Per month – General Funds Only

	<u>Disbursement</u>	<u>Received</u>
January	\$20,196.00	\$18,072.00
February	\$19,505.00	\$14,707.00
March	\$23,153.00	\$24,247.00
April	\$25,970.00	\$21,123.00
May	\$20,298.00	\$15,436.00
June	\$21,077.00	\$18,362.00
July	<u>\$17,213.00</u>	<u>\$24,271.00</u>
	\$147,412.00	\$136,218.00

Approved Budget for 2019 \$242,270.00



Cross of Calvary

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Craig Boen – Custodian

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

8:30 – 3:00 pm

Wednesday

8:30 – 4:00 pm

Friday

8:30 – 2:00pm

BUILDING HOURS

Monday –Thursday

8:30 am – 7:00 pm

Friday - Sunday

8:30 am – 2:00 pm

WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday – 9:00 am and 5:30 pm

Starting

September 7th – 5:30 PM

September 8th – 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

Sunday School starts – September 8th at 9:30 AM

August 25th, 2019
Eleventh Sunday after
Pentecost



HYMN OF THE WEEK

O Day of Rest and Gladness

Honor God by taking delight in the Sabbath.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Luke 13:10-17	Jesus heals on the Sabbath
Monday	Isaiah 58:9b-14	Delight in the Sabbath
Tuesday	Hebrews 12:18-29	A kingdom that can't be shaken
Wednesday	Deuteronomy 5:12-15	Remember you were slaves
Thursday	Acts 20:7-12	Breaking bread on Sunday
Friday	Exodus 20:8-11	Remember the Sabbath day
Saturday	Psalm 103:1-8	Praise for God's benefits
Sunday	Luke 14:1, 7-14	Humility and hospitality

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath, for pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the Sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; then you shall take delight in the Lord.

Isaiah 58:13-14a (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

God of the Sabbath, give us delight in your presence and heal us of all that separates us from you and from one another. For Christ's sake, amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Lord God, who gives us daily bread, our thanks to you we raise. Be present at our table here and fill our hearts with praise. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord forgive you all your sins and heal you of all your ills. (Psalm 103:3)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- ☑ How do you spend the day when you take a day of rest (sabbath)?
- ☑ How does what you do in life honor God and honor your neighbor?
- ☑ Why is it hard to focus on God and neighbor instead of pursuing our own interests?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Isaiah 58:9b-14.

At the heart of this text is honoring God by taking delight in the Sabbath. The word *sabbath* in Hebrew simply means “to stop.” To stop, to rest from work is a way to honor God and your neighbor. The Sabbath protects community as it protects the vulnerable, including children, slaves, and animals. In Luke 13, Jesus understands the Sabbath as protecting the needs of a woman so she may stand upright in her community. When we refrain from “getting ahead” seven days a week, we can care for the hungry, the afflicted, and won’t need to speak evil of one another (vv. 9b-10). Then, the people of God will “get ahead” and have real needs satisfied, real bodies strengthened, and real thirst quenched (v. 11). In other words, by giving honor to God and justice to others, we will truly make progress in life by restoring relationships, not bank accounts or egos. At the end of your days, will you regret not working more? How is the Sabbath a delight for you?

Pray: **Dear Lord, it is not easy to stop to honor you and care for others. Give me delight in your presence that I may honor the Sabbath as I desire to honor you. For the sake of Jesus, the Lord of the Sabbath, amen.**

SERVICE

The Lord is abounding in steadfast love (Psalm 103:8b). This Psalm is one that gives praise for all God has done for us. God forgives, heals, rescues, and redeems us. Is there someone you know who needs to hear about God’s redeeming love? What can you do for them or say to them to show God’s love?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Sabbath is a time of rest. A time when you take a break and do not work. Make time each day this week to “take delight in the Lord” by observing a five-minute mini-sabbath. Set all electronic devices to the side, turn off the TV, and sit down in a comfortable position. Take a few deep breaths, close your eyes, and rest. After your mini-sabbath, thank God for this rest that gives health to your body, mind, and soul.