



Cross of Calvary
LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Follower

August 2019

Balance. Life can be so busy and yet there are times when it slows down. I don't really know what to do with the "slow time", I think because it's still an adjustment to have an empty nest. I am again reminded of the Martha and Mary story in Luke where Martha is working so hard she doesn't have time for the important time at the feet of Jesus. Martha's hosting is needed and Mary's attention to Jesus is needed. Balance. During the times when life is busy, doing our best at the task at hand is important, but in the slowed down times, more devotional time is needed to continue to build the relationship with God. God calls us to service and God waits for us to meet with him. The time we spend getting more familiar with God's word is not just important for us, but also really important to God. God loves you and wants to hear what's on your mind and happening in your life. When life slows down, and when it's busy, make time to breathe and be alone with God.

Jeni





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!!

10th Graders Confirmation Retreat will be August 21st. 1:00-9:00 pm



Incoming 7th Grade Confirmation retreat will be on Thursday, August 15th. 9:00 am – 6:00 pm

**Sunday, September 8th – Start of Sunday School
Grades 3 & 7 receive Bibles**

Sunday, September 15th - God's Work "Our Hands" Sunday

Thank you to all who helped with the Corn Capital Parade – it was a huge success!

AUGUST VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION: 9:00 Laurence Stratton

USHERS 9:00 Curt Sather, Chet Boen, Wally Stucke
and Craig Gartner

ACOLYTES Nicolas Serbus

ALTAR GUILD: Amanda Malvin & Angela Cole

Things happening in August

- August 1st – Summer Stretch at Valleyfair
- August 2nd – Summer Stretch prep for Walk in Park
- August 4th – Baptism of Brinley Hebrink at 5:30 service
Equipping Meeting at 10:00 am
- August 14th - Church Council Meeting at 7:30 pm
- August 15th - 7TH Grade Confirmation Retreat 9-6 pm
- August 21st - 10Th Grade Confirmation Retreat 1-9 pm
- August 24th - Bridal Shower for Ashley Roach
- August 26th - Outreach Meeting at 7:30 pm

Cross of Calvary Church News

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

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

Kathy Brown – Emy Elbert mother
Mike Abrahamson – Bobbi & Tim
Tami Steffel –Family
Linda Cole – Nate Cole's mother
Sandy Alton – Sharon & Dick Alton daughter
Autumn Stryker – Family and friends
Barb Gomarko – Mark & Pam Olson
Sister Neva – Angie Boen's sister
Bev Beckman – Friend of the Blem's
Ione Parsons – Gladie Hagen sister
Elaine Julius - Friends
Briar Lippert – son of Jay & Heidi Lippert
Evelyn Noel – Chet Boen's sister



Rosalie Sheggeby – Friends
Steve Palmer – Jeff Keltgen
Marlin Hanson – Maureen Hanson

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!

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



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

happy birthday

08/01 – Aimee Dale	08/12 – Sue Malecek	08/20 – Ellianna Barnes
08/02 – Jennifer Robideau	08/12 – Wallace Stucke	08/21 – Brendon Siems
08/02 – Alex Pietig	08/13 – Jeni Skeie	08/22 – Alison Reese
08/02 – Gio Adamski	08/13 – Mary Karaus	08/22 – Jen Kingery
08/02 – Tucker Amberg	08/13 – Victoria Bratsch	08/22 –Katie Bremsth
08/03 – Jeremy Mertz		
08/04 – Kenny Person	08/14 - Ross Nelson	08/23 – Angie Boen
08/04 – Corrine Gross	08//4 – Andrew Blem	08/23 – Karisa Weilage
08/04 – Cynthia Honzay	08/15 – Sally Feil	08/23 – Taiten Kemnitz
08/05 – Shirley Kircher	08/15 – Toni Haugen	08/24 – Chuck Folkerts
08/07 – Rod Osthus	08/15 – Tina Beckler	08/24 – Karen Grasmon
08/07 – Cyle Schwer	08/15 – Daniel Welchance	08/26 – Marc Iverson
	08/15 – Jordan Woelfel	
	08/15 – Tinley Olson	
08/07 – Regan Helmer	08/16 – Terry Dobmeier	08/27 – Shannon Hennen
08/07 – Isaac Neubauer		
08/08 – Garrett Dahl	08/16 – Justin Gilberts	08/27 – Neil Young
08/08 – Declan Pope		
08/08 – Trent Paulsen	08/16 - Mark Revier	08/28 – Virgil Maurice
08/08 – Ella Skornicka	08/16 – Morgan Fennern	08/28 – Ann Rudolph
08/08 – Harper Kingery	08/16 – Rylan Gass	08/28 – Hope Hildahl
08/09 – Orville Scott	08/17 – Sarah Mittelstadt	08/28 – Ryan Ahl
08/09 – LeeRoy Baumgartner	08/17 – Josie Mikosch	08/29 – Keith Metteer
08/09 – Jennifer Stratton	08/18 – Steve Johnson	08/30 – Harry Hawkinson
08/10 – James Alderks	08/19 – Dalen Stryker	08/30 – Ashley Frank
	08/19 – Isabelle Boehme	08/31 – Tracy Ryan
08/11 – Kevin Iverson	08/19 – Emma Thompson	08/31 – Harrison Neubauer
	08/19 – Jennifer Woelfel	08/30 – Paden Woelfel
	08/20 – Kiera Fischer	

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!



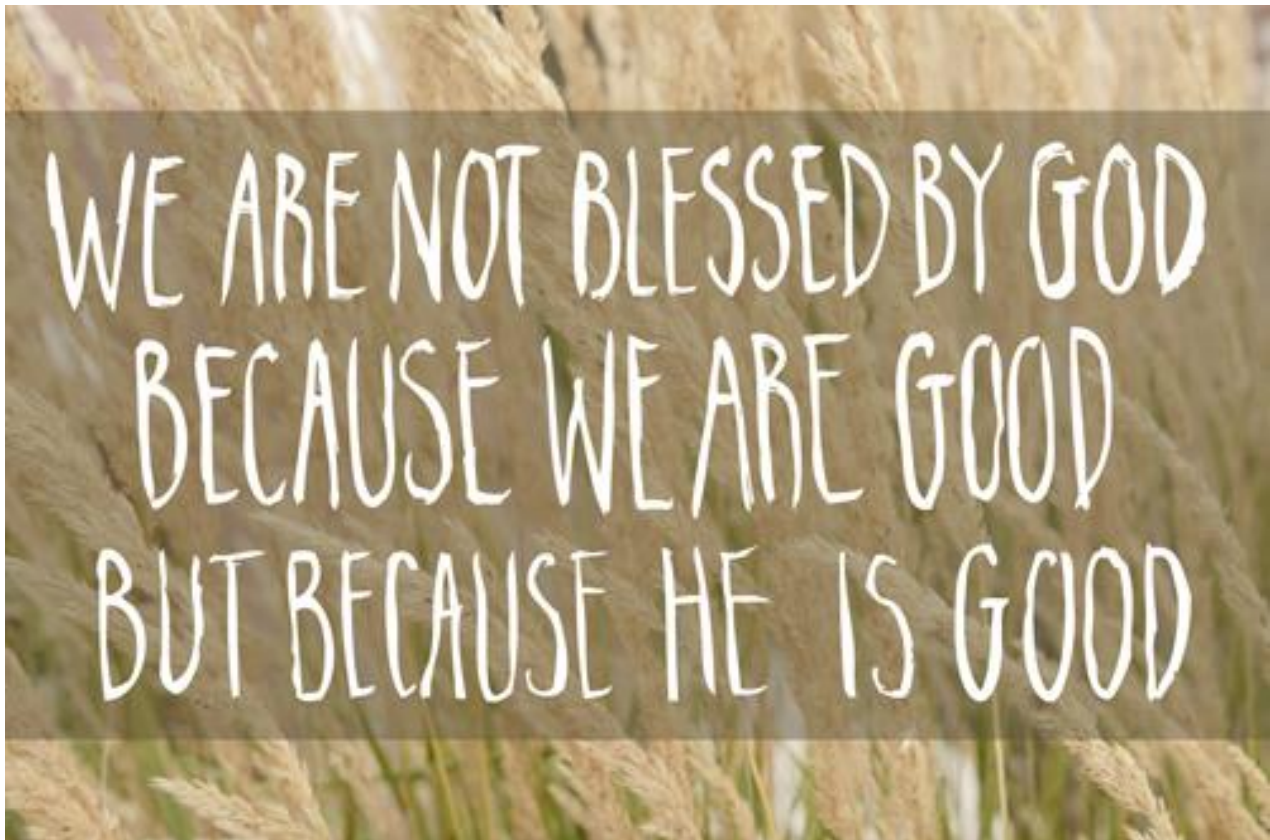
Community News

Blood Drive: St. Aloysius Catholic Church on Monday, August 5th from 12:00 – 6:00 pm. Please see poster for where to go to register.

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

Caregiver Dementia Support Group: Make new friends. Learn new techniques, get insight into bizarre behaviors. Ongoing meeting will be held the first Thursday of every month. Facilitators: Jen Erickson and Tara Wertish. Time: 1 – 2 pm at Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church. Please contact us with questions 218-770-8988 or 320-522-1096

Renville County Historical Society is having wonderful events throughout the summer. Please check the East entrance for their flyers.



August 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Women's Bible Study 8:15 am Valleyfair – Summer Stretch	2 Summer Stretch Prep Walk in the Park 10-1	3
4 Worship 9:00 am & 5:30 pm Communion Equipping Mtg. 10 am	5 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm	6 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	7 TAP at 8:00 pm	8 Women's Bible Study 8:15 am	9	10
11 Worship 9:00 am & 5:30 pm Care Team Mtg. 9:45	12 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm	13 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	14 Church Council Meeting at 7:30 pm	15 Women's Bible Study 8:15 am Confirmation Retreat 9-6 pm (Grade 7) 6:30 pm 7 th Grade Parents Meeting	16	17
18 Worship 9:00 am & 5:30 pm Communion	19 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm	20 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	21 TAP at 8:00 pm Confirmation Retreat 1-9 pm (Grade 10)	22 Women's Bible Study 8:15 am	23	24 Bridal Shower in the morning
25 Worship 9:00 & 5:30 pm	26 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm Outreach Metg. At 7:30 pm	27 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	28 TAP at 8:00 pm	29 Women's Bible Study 8:15 am	30	31

**Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes for: Wednesday, July 7, 2019 at 7:30 pm**

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Dana Boen	2020 AB	Jon Hawkinson	2021*AB	Reggie Lothert	2022 AB
Curt Sather	2020	Laurence Stratton	2021	Nathan Cole	2022
Jill Hanson	2020	Elaine McDowell	022 AB	Alex Gay	2021AB
DeeAnne Newville	2020*AB	Gordon Blem	2022	Sam Welchance	Youth
Steve Altmann	2021*			Terms end at Annual Meeting (Jan.)	
				*Second term	

STAFF

Pastor Matt Hausken Jeni Skeie, Parish Minister Sarah Hausken, Parish Minister Sue Altmann, Council Recorder

AGENDA

- Meeting called to order – Gordy Blem
- Devotions – Steve Altmann
- Approve minutes of the May meeting – Motion to approve the minute’s by Jill Hanson, seconded by Curt Sather, motion passed.
- Financial Secretary and Treasurer Reports – May/June - Motion to approve the treasurer/secretary report by Nate Cole, seconded by Jon Hawkinson, motion passed. Report given by Curt Sather
We are short on paying SW MN Synod and LSS – the church has only paid half so far this year. (Due to budget shortage)
- Pastor’s report - Summer months have been used to prepare for the fall programs. Confirmation will have 2 retreats for both 7th Grade and 10th Grade in August. Also, the Curriculum Program is being worked on for confirmation and S.S. Pastor Matt attended a conference in June at Luther Seminary. He will be putting together a project that will focus on Fundraising in our church. He learned that Generational giving has changed and a focus will be on more generations and how they give. Cross of Calvary had 1 funeral/1 wedding.
- Parish Ministers report – (Jeni) Report in the office. Day Camp was a great success, with 45 campers in attendance. The program saved money this year by asking church members to volunteer and donate food for snacks and supper. Thank you to all who volunteered and donated. (Sarah) Sunday school is starting to prepare for the fall. Sam Zeitz and Carla Flemming will be this year Superintendent. She has also been working with the Outreach and Parish Life committees on their missions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (2019)

1. Administration – Alex Gay & Nathan Cole
- Landscaping is nearly complete. Thank you to all who volunteered to help with this project; the west side of the church and new shed area is beautiful.
2. Children, Youth and Family-Reggie Lothert (none)
3. Equipping –Laurence Stratton & Elaine McDowell
- Moments of Gratitude have been going wonderfully. From the Survey that was sent out: 65 responded with interest in an Educational programs for adults. A Faith & Science program will be begin in September. Dates to follow.
4. Missions –Alex Gay (none)
5. Worship and Music –Jill Hanson : They are always working on Sunday services and the music that will provided.
6. Care Team – DeeAnne Newville (none)
7. Parish Life – Dana Boen: Rachel Kurtz will be performing on Monday, July 22nd at Nester Park.
8. Outreach – Jon Hawkinson & Jill Hanson: The committee is working on connecting with people as to why they enjoy Cross of Calvary. Corn Capital Parade will have a float representing C of C. Student/people from Day Camp will ride and be tossing green cups that say “Fill Your Cup and Let It Overflow. They money has been donated for the cups. (Band and Ham Dinner funds) Their goal is to reach out more to the community.
9. Technology – Steve Altmann & Nathan Cole (none)
10. AED Maintenance – Steve Altmann

OLD BUSINESS

- Financial Statements mailed July 18th. (January – June)
- Landscaping is mostly complete on the west side and around shed.

NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion about getting another, larger or more garbage bins. Sue will call West Central Sanitation and order a larger garbage bin for the storage room.
- Approve letter to be mailed with Financial Statements. A motion to approve the letter was made by Jill Hanson and seconded by Jon Hawkinson. Motion passed. A copy will be mailed along with Jan. – June Financial Statements.
- It was brought up that the Parsonage Garage needs to repair. There is designated money, but only enough to have the floor done at this time. Other garage projects will be on hold. The floor needs to be done before any of the other projects can be completed

Next Council meeting: Wednesday, August 14 at 7:30 pm

August Communion: 9:00 –Laurence Stratton August Devotion – Laurence Stratton Adjourn / Close in prayer.