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October 13, 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.



October 13 – October 20

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| Sunday 10/13 | Worship | 8:30 & 10:30 am |
| | Sunday school starts | 9:30 am |
| | Baptism – Plumley | |
| | New Member Sunday | |
| | Equipping Meeting | 9:30 am |
| Monday 10/14 | Library reserved | 6:00–8:00 pm |
| Tuesday 10/15 | Men’s Bible Study | 6:15/7:00 am |
| Wednesday 10/16 | WOW | 3:15 – 5:00 pm |
| | No Confirmation | |
| | 1st Communion Class | 3:15 pm |
| | No Band Practice | 7:30 pm |
| | Theology on Tap | |
| | Mission Meeting | 5:30 pm |
| Thursday 10/17 | Breakfast Club | 7:07 am |
| | Women’s Bible Study | 8:15 am |
| Friday 10/18 | | |
| Saturday 10/19 | Worship at 5:30 pm | |
| Sunday 10/20 | Worship | 8:30 & 10:30 am |
| | Blue Jean Sunday | 9:30 – 10:30 only |
| | (Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall & Narthex) | |

OCTOBER VOLUNTEERS

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| COMMUNION: | 8:30 – Jill Hanson |
| | 10:30 – Dana Boen |
| USHERS | 8:30 – Alex Gay, Todd Gay, Daren Sagedahl & Bret Neubauer |
| | 10:30 – Doug Steffel & Clayton Erickson |
| ACOLYTES | 8:30 – Kaden Bahl & John Morse |
| | 10:30 – Tatum Mages & McKenna Jensen |
| CLICKER | 8:30 AM – Kaden Fischer |
| | 10:30 AM – Bjorn Hausken |
| ALTAR GUILD: | Eleanor Ziesmer, Sara Benson & Sheila Pietig |

A note to all members about Cross of Calvary Confirmation Class

Confirmation students will be studying Genesis chapter 3. It is commonly known as “The Fall”. If you are interested in learning more, come Wednesday night at 6:30. At 7 Pastor Matt will lead a small group in the sanctuary digging further into this topic.



Confirmation Meals for October

October 16 – No Confirmation (MEA)

October 23 – Confirmation Banquet

October 30 - Jurgensen & Serbus

Cross of Calvary Youth

Coffee Hour Servers for October

October 13 - Craig & Chrissy Boen

Jill & Andy Wohnoutka

Scott & Katie Bremseth

October 20 - No Coffee hour, Blue Jean Sunday

October 27 - Cory & Skye Hebrink

Ryan & Kelsie Aeikens

Ryan & Jen Blad

Message from Renville County TZD Safe Roads Coalition

Seat Belts- Cats have 9 lives. You are not a cat. Buckle Up!!



Sunday School Service Project

We're going to be putting together Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief on October 20. We'd love your help in collecting items for these kits. We'd like to put together at least 90 kits – one for each child in Sunday School.

- Lightweight bath sized towels
- Bath sized bars of soap
- Adult size toothbrushes
- Sturdy combs
- Metal nail clippers

Details:

- Towels should be 20" x 40", colored and light weight, making them easier to hand and dry. Please do not donate heavyweight towels larger than 52" x 27"
- Please give new items only
- Please do not donate items with religious, patriotic or military symbols Kits are shipped all over the world to aid people after natural disasters, wars and armed conflicts. Recently, kits were sent to refugee camps in Angola and Lebanon.



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**Please have items to the church by Wednesday, October 16th.
Items will be packaged on Sunday, October 20th. Thank You**

Cross of Calvary Events for October

- October 20th – Blue Jean Sunday – only from 9:30 – 10:30am
- October 23rd – Confirmation Banquet at 6:30 pm
- October 24th – 26th – Craft Retreat
- October 27th – Confirmation Service at 10:30 service

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.



Linda Cole – Nathan Cole’s mother
Neva – Angie Boen sister
Shelby Gass – Family & friends
Lucas Fischer – Brayden & Cassie Fischer
Merle Smith – Nancy Krumhauser mother
Alice Wood – sister of Eleanor Ziesmer
Cleve Fults – Friend of Bruce Metteer
Bev Beckman – Gordy & Lynnette Blem
Luella Norberg – Gordy & Lynnette Blem
Kathy Brown – Family and Friends
George Adkins – Betsy Hennen’s father
Marvin Balgaard – Joanne Balgaard brother in law
Ron Balgaard – Joanne Balgaard brother in law
Nancy Weyerhaeuser – Boen’s & Altmann’s
Jim Ebbers – Sam Zeitz father

Ione Parsons – Gladie’s sister
Family of Orville Scott

Community News

Renville County Hospice offers Annual Grief Support Opportunity: The Adult Grief Group is sponsored by Renville County Hospice. The sessions will be held on Tuesday evenings October 15, 2019 – December 3, 2019 from 4 – 6 pm at Renville County Hospital (Willette Room), 100 Healthy Way in Olivia. All are welcome and invited. Please call Amy Boettger, MSW, LICSW at 320-523-3451 to register.

Uffda Day at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Atwater. Saturday, November 2nd from 9 am – noon. Scandinavian Meal from 9-2 and many other activities going on, come join!!!

“Scandinavian” Smorgasbord at First Lutheran Church in Renville on Sunday, October 13th from 11:15 – 1:00. Cost is \$11.00 adults, ages 12 & under \$5.00, under 5 Free. See flyer for more information.

Aasen Family Support Event: This event is for Ivy Johnson's (former member and daughter of Bernie & Faye Johnson) husband who has been diagnosed with Usher Syndrome Type 2A – please see flyer for more information if you would like to support the family.

St. Aloysius Church in Olivia invites you to join us on Sunday, October 13, 2019 for our annual Fall Festival. Our event begins with Mass at 10:00 am. Continue your day with a homemade fried chicken dinner that includes mashed potatoes and gravy, candied carrots, coleslaw, dinner roll, pumpkin dessert and beverage served from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm. The cost is \$12.00 for adults or take-outs and \$6.00 for children 10 & under.

Adult Grief Support: Carris Health Redwood Clinic from Oct. 7 – Nov. 11, 2019. Time: 2-4 pm, more information on east entrance board.



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OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday
8:30 – 3:00 pm

Wednesday
8:30 – 4:00 pm

Friday
8:30 – 2:00 pm

BUILDING HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday
8:30 – 7:00 pm

Wednesday
8:30 – 8:00

Friday
8:30 – 2:00 pm

WORSHIP TIMES

Saturday - 5:30 pm

Sunday – 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Sunday school – 9:30 – 10:20 am

October 13, 2019
Eighteenth Sunday after
Pentecost



HYMN OF THE WEEK

Have You Thanked the Lord?

Jesus shows mercy on a foreigner.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

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| Sunday | Luke 17:11-19 | One leper gives thanks to God |
| Monday | 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c | Elisha heals Naaman |
| Tuesday | 2 Timothy 2:8-15 | A good soldier of Christ Jesus |
| Wednesday | Leviticus 14:33-57 | Purification of lepers |
| Thursday | 2 Timothy 1:13-18 | Encouragement to be faithful |
| Friday | Luke 4:23-30 | God cares for foreigners |
| Saturday | Psalms 111 | Praise God for wonderful works |
| Sunday | Luke 18:1-8 | Parable of the persistent widow |

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

“Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” **Luke 17:18 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Gracious God, you who care for the unacceptable, thank you for caring for me, through Christ our Lord, amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

God of grace, for food make us thankful, for family and friends make us joyful, and for our salvation, make us grateful. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord be gracious and merciful and give you a thankful heart. (Psalm 111:1, 4)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- ☑ Tell or think about a time you were left out of a group. What was it like?
- ☑ Are you comfortable or afraid when you meet someone who is different than you are? Why?
- ☑ How does God's mercy give you courage to care for those who are different from you?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Luke 17:11-19.

Paul Tillich, a famous theologian once pointed out that faith is accepting that the unacceptable has been accepted. According to the law of Israel, a leper was unclean and needed to be kept away from the community. Lepers were unacceptable—or at least those who are to be avoided. A Samaritan was despised by first century Jews. Not only does Jesus accept and heal the Samaritan leper—along with nine other lepers—but this leper is the one who responds with a thankful heart at the feet of Jesus. Just like Naaman, the enemy general from Aram (Syria), those who seem far from God's presence and God's people are included in God's work of mercy and salvation. As Jesus says to the Samaritan leper, "your faith has made you well" (v. 19). God's work of salvation often comes as a work of great surprise to us. How does God's mercy give you courage to trust that God cares for you?

Pray: **Merciful Savior, thank you for reaching out to those who seem far from you; thank you for reaching out to me. Amen.**

SERVICE

This week's scripture readings tell of healings. Improved public health care is needed in many parts of the world. Some of it is provided by missionaries who show God's love by giving much needed food, clean water, mosquito nets, medical treatment, and other care around the world. How can you contribute to or support these faithful missionaries?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

God is holy and awesome. (Psalm 111:9) Take a walk around your neighborhood and make a list of things you see that are awesome. Trees, buildings, the sky, and clouds are a few of the things you might see. Then sit down in your home and look at the list. God is bigger and greater than anything we see. Take time to say a prayer of praise to God and be thankful for "his wonderful deeds" , "the power of his works", and "the work of his hands" (Psalm 111:4, 6, 7).