

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.

NOVEMBER VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION:	8:30 – Gordy Blem 10:30 – DeeAnne Newville
USHERS	8:30 – Daren, Drew & Jordan Sagedahl & Randy Marguth 10:30 – DeeAnne Newville
ACOLYTES	8:30 – Alison Amsden & Tanner Amsden 10:30 – Carson Serbus & Kaden Fischer
CLICKER	8:30 AM – NEEDED 10:30 AM – Daniel Welchance
ALTAR GUILD:	Jill Hanson & Dawn Gluesing

*Thank
You*



November 10 – November 17

Sunday 11/10	Worship	8:30 & 10:30 AM
	Sunday school	9:30 AM
	Equipping Meeting	11:30 AM
	New Member Orientation	11:30 AM
Monday 11/11	Library reserved	6:00–8:00 PM
	Cantata Practice	6:00 – 7:30 PM
Tuesday 11/12	Men’s Bible Study	6:15/7:00 AM
Wednesday 11/13	WOW	3:15 – 5:00 PM
	Confirmation	5:30 – 7:30 PM
	Band Practice	7:30 PM
	Altar Guild Meeting	7:30 PM
	Theology on Tap	8:00 PM
Thursday 11/14	Breakfast Club	7:07 AM
	Women’s Bible Study	8:15 AM
	Cantata Practice	6:00-7:30 PM
	Jesus Justice League	3:15-5:00 PM
Friday 11/15		
Saturday 11/16	Lay Leaders Worship Workshop	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (Cross of Calvary)
	Worship	5:30 PM
Sunday 11/17	Worship	8:30 & 10:30 AM
	Gideon Sunday	
	Senior High Service Project	from 4-7 PM

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 November

November 13 – Welchance & Lothert

November 20 – NEEDED!!!! Any church members can help out!!!!

November 27 – Thanksgiving – no Confirmation

Cross of Calvary Youth

Coffee Hour Servers for November

November 10 Keith and Stacey Larson
Tracy Johnson
Katy Holland
November 17 Corey and Dawn Gluesing
Roger and Tonia Ridler
Ryan and Jen Blad
November 24 Marc and Sarah Iverson
Justin and Carin Martinson
Brad and Heather McLagan



Senior high (9-12 grade) service project and night games, Sunday, November 17 from 4-7pm. We will be doing a couple projects for Santa's Closet, eating supper together and playing night games. Bring friends!

Thank you to those who have taken "God Pal" packets and committed to writing to our members away or at home attending college and contemplating their futures. There are 3 males still needing a "God Pal". See Jeni if you are interested.

34 youth from Cross of Calvary will be attending the junior high youth gathering on November 22-23. More chaperones are needed. Please keep these youth in your prayers as we head to the gathering and they experience God in this way.

Clickers needed for November and December
please sign up on the Youth board – doesn't have to be Youth!!

Cross of Calvary Events for November

November 10 – Equipping Meeting at 11:30 am
November 10 – New Member Orientation at 11:30 am
November 4-28 Cantata Practice will be on Monday & Thursdays from 6:00-7:30 pm
November 16th – Lay Leaders Workshop from 9-3
November 17th – Gideon Sunday
November 20th – Church Council meeting
November 22 & 23 – Jr. High Youth Gathering (Willmar)
November 27 – No Confirmation



Snowflake Bazaar is on Sunday December 8th! If anyone would like to take part in lefse making at the parsonage, or cookie decorating for the cookie sale, we'd love your help! These are great opportunities for fellowship and laughter (and some sampling?).

Lefse night is Friday December 6th at 6 pm in the parsonage. Whether you have been making lefse for years or don't even know what it is, you're invited to join in! If you have lefse making equipment, please bring it. If you know how to make lefse dough, please bring two batches. Otherwise, just bring yourself!

Cookie decorating day is Friday, December 6th at 9 am. We will have the coffee on! Cookies, frosting, and sprinkles are provided; we just need hands to decorate them. The frosted cookies are always our best seller at the sale on Sunday, and we appreciate your help!

If you are interested in having any pots filled with Christmas greens, we are accepting pots until December 2nd. Please contact Dana Boen (320-894-7885) for ordering information. Forms can also be picked up in the narthex.

The Bazaar Committee thanks you in advance and looks forward to another successful year!

- **Quilters: reminder you will be starting Thursday, Jan. 2nd!!!!**

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
Shelby Gass – Family & friends
Lucas Fischer – Brayden & Cassie Fischer son
Cleve Fults – Friend of Bruce Metteer
Kathy Brown – Family and Friends
Clifford Metteer – Bruce & Sharon Metteer
Briar Lippert – son of Jay & Heidi Lippert



Community News

CCOC Thanksgiving Dinner: The CCOC's Thanksgiving Dinner is just around the corner. Our community Thanksgiving Dinner is on Thanksgiving Day and is a free will offering meal that is open to everyone. We are currently asking for donations of 150 lbs of potatoes, 300-400 lbs of turkeys, squash, corn, cranberries, pumpkin pies, and 10 lbs of butter. Monetary donations are also welcome. Donations can be dropped off at the CCOC or Master's Cafe. Thank you for your generosity.

This year's CCOC Thanksgiving dinner is being hosted by St. Aloysius at 302 S. 10th St., Olivia, MN 56277

Benefit for Briar Lippert: Saturday, November 16 at the Darfur Fire Hall from 4-8 PM. Please see flyer for detail.

Everyone is invited to help **Celebrate Larry Baumgartner's "80" birthday.** Party will be November 30th at Cross of Calvary Church from 1:00- 4:00PM. Come and enjoy cake, coffee and conversation!

Greenhill Apartments: opening available. See flyer in east enterway.

24th Annual Lutheran Men in Mission Lutefisk & Meatball Supper will be held on Thursday, November 21st from 4:30 – 6:30 pm at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Redwood Falls.

Share the Spirit of Santa's Closet – Join us at the CCOC in Olivia, Tuesday, November 12th from 9 – 2:30."Blankets for Kids" either donate a blanket or money for a blanket. Also, you can help with fleece blanket tying. See bulletin board for more information.

2019 Renville County Christmas Contata: please see flyer in east entrance for practice times and performance dates.

Lutefisk/Swedish Meatball Supper at Zion Lutheran Church in Buffalo Lake: Sunday, November 24th. Serving from 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm. Family style Dining with take outs available. Cost: Adults:\$15.00, Ages 5-12 \$8.00 and 4 Years & Under free.

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.



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Cross of Calvary

LUTHERAN CHURCH

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 AM – 7:00 PM

Wednesday 8:30 AM – 8:00 PM

Friday 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM

WORSHIP TIMES

Saturday - 5:30 PM

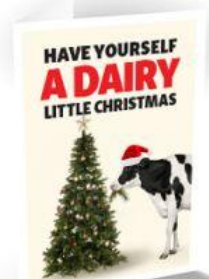
Sunday – 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

Sunday School 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM

GOOD GIFTS

coming in December!!!

(December 1-17) Envelopes will be placed in the Narthex at the beginning of Decmeber.



Kick Off

Papa Murphy's Pizza fundraiser

December 8th



November 10, 2019

22nd Sunday after Pentecost



HYMN OF THE WEEK

I Know That My Redeemer Lives!

We have hope for the future.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Luke 20:27-38	Jesus speaks of the resurrection
Monday	Job 19:23-27a	I know my redeemer lives
Tuesday	2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17	Be faithful
Wednesday	Exodus 3:13-20	God promises to guide Moses
Thursday	1 Peter 1:3-12	A living hope
Friday	Acts 24:10-23	Paul defends himself
Saturday	Psalms 17:1-9	Prayer of an innocent person
Sunday	Luke 21:5-9	Suffering for Jesus' sake

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word. 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Eternal Savior, thank you for the promise of the resurrected body that gives us eternal comfort and good hope. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, we are thankful that through your steadfast love you give us food to eat and a living hope to feast upon now and always, through Christ our Lord, amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word. (2 Thessalonians 2:16-17)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- ☐ What is something that you look forward to?
- ☐ What is something that worries you about the future?
- ☐ Jesus and the New Testament make clear promises about the resurrection from the dead. Why is this important?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Luke 20:27-38.

This passage is both encouraging and confusing. The encouragement is that Jesus affirms that God “is God not of the dead, but of the living” (v. 38). The confusing part is about marriage in heaven. However, this text is not really about marriage or a definitive theology of heaven. What happens here is that the Sadducees ask a trick question and Jesus gives them a trick answer to get to the real point. The Sadducees try to trick Jesus because they don’t believe in the resurrection (v. 27). Knowing this, Jesus goes to the real topic of bodily life after death by pointing out that their question is irrelevant: heaven is not what you are setting it up to be by your tricky question (vv. 35-36). Jesus uses the Sadducees’ preferred focus on Moses to point out that even Moses believed in life after death. Jesus uses their own biblical theology to point out what they refuse to see: through Jesus we have “eternal comfort and good hope” (2 Thessalonians 2:16-17). How does the Christian belief in the resurrection give you eternal comfort? How does it give you hope?

Pray: Eternal God, we thank you that in the midst of struggles, suffering and death, through Christ our Lord we are given comfort, good hope, and everlasting life. Amen.

SERVICE

2 Thessalonians is a letter of encouragement for Christians. It is about God’s love for us and the eternal comfort and hope given to us. Do you know of someone who needs to hear an encouraging word? Let them know you are thinking about them by calling, sending them a note, or visiting.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Jesus tells the Sadducees that life after death is different. To think about this, find a picture of a caterpillar and one of a butterfly or draw them. Talk about ways they are different (ex. caterpillars crawl and eat leaves, butterflies fly and drink nectar, etc.). They are the same animal even though the stages of life are different. We do not know what life will be like after death but Jesus tells us it will be different and we will be with God. “Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive” (Luke 20:38).