



**Cross of Calvary**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

# *The Follower*

## **November 2019**

A blessed month of Thanksgiving to all of you. The month is full of celebrations and expressions of thankfulness, from All Saints Day to Veterans Day to Thanksgiving Day. It is always appropriate to give thanks for all of this every day of the year, but I'm glad we are a country that intentionally does this during this month.

The word thanksgiving is an action word. It has been long treated as a noun. Perhaps this is because we see it as a day on the calendar and it is a thing that sits there on the fourth Thursday of every November. But, at its root is a call to action. Thanks is a word that implies a sense of gratefulness at the blessings received. But, the whole word is thanksgiving. So, it is not enough simple to say thank you but to give out of your blessings. Doing this is a freeing thing. These gifts can be a blessing to others. Who will hopefully be motivated by gratitude to give of whatever blessings they have been given. Thanksgiving in action is a powerful thing to watch when it is lived out as the action that it is.

Blessings for a wonderful month of November! I am thankful for each and everyone of you!

In Christ,

Pastor Matt





# Cross of Calvary Youth News

**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! **(Please collecting shoe boxes, drop off at church, any size)**

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.

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.

### Confirmation Meals for November

- November 6 – Jansen & Mages
- November 13 – Welchance & Lothert
- November 20 – NEEDED!!!!
- November 27 – Thanksgiving – No Confirmation

### Coffee Hour Servers for November

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| November 3  | Chris and Jill Hanson<br>Randy Paulsen/Michelle Ryan<br>Curt and Jody Weis       |
| November 10 | Keith and Stacey Larson<br>Tracy Johnson<br>Katy Holland                         |
| November 17 | Corey and Dawn Gluesing<br>Roger and Tonia Ridler<br>Ryan and Jen Blad           |
| November 24 | Marc and Sarah Iverson<br>Justin and Carin Martinson<br>Brad and Heather McLagan |

### November VOLUNTEERS

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| 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                          |                                       |

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**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!

## **Bible Studies**

**Dorcas Bible Study** 4th Wednesday of the month at church – time: 9:30 am

**Ruth Bible Study** 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at Parkview – time: 1:30 pm

**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

**Reminder:** There are copies of Living Lutheran Magazine available in the news holders next to "The Door"

**Cross of Calvary Care Team** is looking for volunteers to drive members of our church to worship service. Please sign up on the "Board" if you are able to help. Thank YOU!!

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

## 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

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  
Family of Vicki Gross – Dan Gross mother  
Clifford Metteer – Bruce & Sharon Metteer



REQUESTS  
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PRAYER



### Stephen Ministry

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

## Community News

24<sup>th</sup> Annual Lutheran Men in Mission Lutefisk & Meatball Supper will be held on Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

Please join us for the annual Harvest Fest at Blomkest Baptist Church on Sunday, November 3, at 7 pm. The evening will include a musical presentation by The Crow River Junction Band. A pie and coffee fellowship will follow the program. A free-will offering will be given to assist the United Campus Ministry under the leadership of Jeffrey Schmitz at Ridgewater College.

2019 Renville County Christmas Cantata; please see flyer in east entrance for practice times and performs dates.

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

St. John's Lutheran Church in Raymond, MN invites you to a Ham Supper on Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 – 7:30 pm. Menu: Wood Roasted Ham, Potatoes/Gravy, Glazed Carrots, Salad, Dessert, and

Bread & Beverage. Cost: Adults \$12.00, Ages 6-11 \$6.00 and kids age 5 and under free. All take-outs are \$12.00

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.

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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|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 11/01 – Arlis Shockley    | 11/10 – Linda Brown           | 11/19 – Kaylie Weilage    |
| 11/01 – Jeff Padrnos      | 11/10 – Curtis Schroer        | 11/20 – Mark Grasmon      |
| 11/01 – Tim Abrahamson    | 11/10 – Sue Erickson          | 11/20 – John Beckman      |
| 11/01 – Scott Revier      | 11/10 – Brian Reese           | 11/20 – Chad Amsden       |
| 11/01 – Madeline Ridler   | 11/10 – Alexis Johnson        | 11/21 – Danna Mikosch     |
| 11/02 – Roger Ridler      | 11/12 – Bruce Maurice         | 11/21 – Ingrid Dietrich   |
| 11/02 – Kenneth Meints    | 11/12 - Natasha Johnson       | 11/21 – Kyndra Sing       |
| 11/02 – Stephanie Malvin  | 11/12 – Alyssa Ryan           | 11/22 – Tom Jansen        |
| 11/02 – Kylie Erickson    | 11/13 – Jason van der Hagen   | 11/22 – Dawn Gluesing     |
| 11/03 – McKenna Jensen    | 11/14 – Kris Enestvedt        | 11/23 – Pat Ryan          |
| 11/05 – Wayne Maurice     | 11/14 – Michael Senger        | 11/23 – Haley Torkelson   |
| 11/05 – Chris Gatsche     | 11/ 14– Jeremie van der Hagen | 11/23 – Kohen Youngkrantz |
| 11/06 – Virginia Draheim  | 11/14 – Carter Serbus         | 11/24 – Gina Amsden       |
| 11/06 – Ken Ziesmer Sr.   | 11/15 – Elaine Julius         | 11/25 – Brian Kingery     |
| 11/06 – Larry Baumgartner | 11/15 – Curt Sather           | 11/25 – Nicholas Revier   |
| 11/06 – Alexandra Revier  | 11/15 – Gaylord Johnson       | 11/26 – Robert Berry      |
| 11/07 – Todd Fostvedt     | 11/17 – Amanda Gass           | 11/26 – Jonathan Kircher  |
| 11/07 – Taylor Amsden     | 11/17 – Nancy Hague           | 11/27– Kevin Schultze     |
| 11/07 – Rylee Boen        | 11/17 – Melissa Sagedahl      | 11/28 – Debra Folkerts    |
| 11/08 - John Johnston     | 11/17 – Amanda Kopel          | 11/28 – Kessly Bohm       |
| 11/08 – Roger Cooper      | 11/17 – Jordan Sagedahl       | 11/29 – Emy Elbert        |
| 11/08 – Jody Weis         | 11/18 – Frances Herman        | 11/29 – Jena Bruns        |
| 11/08 – Adam Honzay       | 11/18 – Dan Beckler           | 11/29 – Tyler Matti       |
| 11/08 – Travis Sues       | 11/18 – Taylor Wertish        | 11/30 – Elaine McDowell   |
|                           | 11/18 – Dylan Hildahl         | 11/30 – Wayne Enestvedt   |
|                           | 11/18 – Nathan Thomas         | 11/30 – Mia Kingery       |
|                           | 11/18 – McKenna Gross         | 11/30 – Kayne Fischer     |
|                           | 11/18 – Nolan Grund           |                           |
| 11/03 – Shelby Gass       |                               | 11/24 – Erik Gass         |
| 11/12 – Jessica Plumley   | 11/19 – Leah Peterson         | 11/24 – Tim Plumley       |

## November 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Prairie Chorale Concert 5-9:30 pm	2 <b>Worship 5:30 pm</b>  Funeral – Vicki Gross (offsite)
3 <b>Worship</b> <b>8:30 &amp; 10:30 am</b> (Baptism 10:30 am)  Communion  1st Communion Sunday  All Saints Sunday	4 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm  Cantata practice 6:00 – 7:30 pm  Boy Scouts 6:00-7:30	5 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	6 *WOW 3:15- 5 *Confirmation *Meal 5:30/Class 6:30 *Youth Band 7:30 pm *TonT at 8:00 pm	7 Breakfast Club at 7:07 am  Women's Bible Study 8:15 am  Cantata practice 6:00 – 7:30 pm  Outreach Mtg. At 6:30 pm	8	9 <b>Worship 5:30 pm</b>
10 <b>Worship</b> <b>8:30 &amp; 10:30 am</b>  Care Team Mtg. 9:45  Equipping Meeting at 11:30 am  <b>New Member Orientation at 6:00 pm</b>	11 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm  Cantata practice 6:00 – 7:30 pm	12 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	13 *WOW 3:15- 5 *Confirmation *Meal 5:30/Class 6:30 * Youth Band 7:30 pm  *TonT at 8:00 pm	14 Breakfast Club at 7:07 am  Women's Bible Study 8:15 am  Jesus Justice League 3:15-5:00  Cantata practice 6:00 – 7:30 pm	15	16 <b>Worship 5:30 pm</b>  Lay Leaders Worship Workshop (ELCA) 9:00 – 3:00
17 <b>Worship</b> <b>8:30 &amp; 10:30 am</b>  Communion  <b>Gideon Sunday</b>	18 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm  Cantata practice 6:00 – 7:30 pm	19 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	20 *WOW 3:15- 5 *Confirmation *Meal 5:30/Class 6:30 * Youth Band 7:30 pm <b>*Church Council Meeting 7:30</b> *No TonT *Mission Mtg. 5:30	21 Breakfast Club at 7:07 am  Women's Bible Study 8:15 am  Cantata practice 6:00 – 7:30 pm	22  Jr. High Youth Gathering (Willmar)	23 <b>Worship 5:30 pm</b>  Jr. High Youth Gathering (Willmar)
24 <b>Worship</b> <b>8:30 &amp; 10:30 am</b>	25 Library Reserved 6:00-8:00 pm  Cantata practice 6:00 – 7:30 pm	26 Men's Bible Study 6:15 am and 7:00 am	27 Dorcau Bible study *WOW 3:15- 5 No Confirmation *Meal 5:30/Class 6:30 *TonT at 8:00 pm	28 <b>Thanksgiving</b> <b>-office closed</b> No Breakfast Club  No Women's Bible Study 8:15 am  Cantata practice 6:00 – 7:30 pm	29 <b>-office closed</b>	30 <b>Worship 5:30 pm</b>  Fellowship Hall used from 1-4

**Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Minutes for: Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at 7:30 pm**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Dana Boen	2020 AB	Jon Hawkinson	2021*	Reggie Lothert	2022 AB
Curt Sather	2020	Laurence Stratton	2021 AB	Nathan Cole	2022
Jill Hanson	2020 AB	Elaine McDowell 1	2022	Alex Gay	2021
DeeAnne Newville	2020*	Gordon Blem	2022	Sam Welchance	Youth AB
Steve Altmann	2021*				Terms end at Annual Meeting (Jan.)
					*Second term

**STAFF**

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

**AGENDA**

1. Meeting called to order – Gordy Blem
2. Devotions – *Steve Altmann*
3. Approve minutes of the *September meeting* – Motion to approve the minute's by Alex Gay, seconded by Steve Altmann, motion passed.
4. Financial Secretary and Treasurer Reports – *September* - Motion to approve the treasurer/secretary report by Steve Altmann,  
Seconded by Elaine McDowell, motion passed.
5. Pastor's report - 1) Busy with weddings and baptisms. 2) Confirmation Banquet and services will be coming up in October. 3) 1<sup>st</sup> Communion classes have started and will finish on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in November.
6. Parish Ministers report – Both Jeni and Sarah have been busy with student's activities.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (2019)**

1. Administration – Alex Gay & Nathan Cole: Garage floor in the parsonage is complete. Egress window still needs to be installed.
2. Children, Youth and Family-Reggie Lothert: none
3. Equipping –Laurence Stratton & Elaine McDowell: none
4. Missions –Alex Gay: none
5. Worship and Music –Jill Hanson: plans have been complete through December
6. Care Team – DeeAnne Newville: meeting will after council meeting
7. Parish Life – Dana Boen: none
8. Outreach – Jon Hawkinson & Jill Hanson: New member information being gathered. New members will be on the screen instead of the members standing up in front of church. 7 new families
9. Technology – Steve Altmann & Nathan Cole: none
10. AED Maintenance – *Steve Altmann*

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Finishing up the garage floor at the parsonage
- Blue Jean Sunday, Oct. 20 from 9:30 – 10:30 only (cleaning Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall & Narthex only)

**NEW BUSINESS – FYI information only**

- November 1<sup>st</sup>, Cross of Calvary will host Prairie Art Choral Concert
- November 16<sup>th</sup>, Cross of Calvary will be hosting Lay Leaders Workshop thru the Synod
  - ❖ Money brought to bank??
  - ✓ Stephen Ministry is going forward with visits to individuals.
  - ✓ Basketball hoop still needs to installed, the new backboard is in the shed.

Next Council meeting: Wednesday, November 20 at 7:30 pm  
November Communion: 8:30 –Gordy Blem & 10:30 – DeeAnne Newville  
November Devotion – Gordy Blem