



Cross of Calvary

LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Follower *January 2020*



"Boundless: God beyond measure" is the theme for the 2021 ELCA National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis. (Find information in the Youth News section.). It is based on Ephesian 3:19 CEV ""I want you to know all about Christ's love, although it is too wonderful to be measured. That your lives will be filled with all that God is." The next verse in Ephesians says, "Now to him who by the power at work

within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine..." What great news!!! When we know God, our lives are filled with Christ's wonderful, unmeasurable love. And God's power can accomplish beyond - beyond what we can ask of him, or imagine, as God works within us. Boundless: God beyond measure. Every year, people set goals for the New Year. Let this be the fuel behind your goals and resolutions. May the God whose love is so wonderful, unmeasurable and beyond understanding live in your hearts in 2020 and beyond!

Jeni

Annual Congregational Meeting **January 19th at 9:30 am**

The 2020 proposed budget will be available January 12th.

Annual Report Committee & Financial Reports

I'm writing to make sure everyone is getting ready for the Annual Meeting which will be held on Sunday, January 19th, I truly appreciate your cooperation in getting these reports to me by January 13th so that I have time to prepare the full packets Thank you so very much and I anxiously wait to hear from you all. Remember, preferred deadline – January 13th.

Sue Altmann, Office Administrator





Cross of Calvary Youth News

Cross of Calvary Ski day for 7-12 graders and families will be Sunday, January 19. We will leave church at 12:30 and return at 10:30pm. (no school next day). Cost is \$21 lift ticket, \$19 rental, \$4 helmet. 7-12 grade are welcome to bring friends - Younger youth may attend with a parent. Families welcome. All must sign up (liability form) and pay by Thursday January 16th. To get the group rate, we must turn in one payment for our group. Liability forms and sign up will be on the board by the drinking fountain or if you request, I can send them by email. Again, you must pay by Thursday, January 16 to attend. Drivers are needed. Please talk to Jeni if you can help.

Papa Murphy's pizza fundraiser (just in time for the SUPER BOWL) is going on at Cross of Calvary for our youth to help with costs for camp and youth gatherings. The pizza will be delivered Friday, January 31 from 5:00pm - 6:30pm - Orders and money must be turned in to church by noon on Sunday, January 5. Any orders after that time will not be valid. If you are wanting to order pizza, and don't know who is selling - please talk to Jeni or Sue in the office. Info available on the drinking fountain board. Help is needed on delivery day, January 31 at 4:00-6:30. Please let Jeni know if you can help.

OVERTIME for 7-12 grade, is an ecumenical community event sponsored by our local churches - with food and fun for kids AFTER a BOLD boys basketball game.

Who: 7th-12th graders

What: Pizza, Open Gym, Board Games, Crafts, Music, and Friends

When: Friday, January 24th after the Boys Basketball game until 11:00pm

Where: St. Mary's School

How Much: The cost is \$2 per person for a full night of food and fun.

DODGEBALL LEAGUE for 9-12 grade: Our area churches are sponsoring a Dodgeball league for grades 9-12 on four Sundays: Jan. 12, Feb. 9, Mar. 8, and Apr. 5. On January 12th there will be food provided. The events start at 5 and go until about 8 pm (or when all of the teams are done playing.) To join, create a team of up to 10 people, but at least six, that have at least 2 boys and 2 girls on each team. Come up with an approved team name and have one team contact person. A permission form must be filled out by all players and signed by a parent. There also must be a roster handed in with all team member names. You do not have to be on a team with your church. And youth can be from surrounding school districts. The contact person should be from one of the participating churches. If you are not on a team yet, Jeni has started one on her office door - just sign up! After that all you need to do is come participate and have fun!

Don't want to play? No problem, come and cheer on your friends. Info and forms on the drinking fountain board.

Youth Band will play on January 11 and 12. We will practice Wednesday, January 8 from 7:30-8:30pm.



Boundless: God beyond measure is the theme for the **National Youth gathering in 2021**, June 29-July 3 in Minneapolis. It is based on Ephesians 3:19 CEV.

"I want you to know all about Christ's love, although it is too wonderful to be measured. The your lives will be filled with all that God is." If you are now in grades 8-11, you will be eligible to attend this event. Please sign up on the drinking fountain board/youth board if you are interested so I can keep you in the loop. Do NOT worry about the cost...but in the past, the total cost was

around \$1300 which included travel to a far away destination. This gathering is in Minneapolis - so that eliminates a big chunk of our cost. That being said, I would expect it to cost about \$900 - but you can raise most of your cost!!! And our congregation has supported our groups in a big way. Start now with the Papa Murphy's pizza fundraiser. Put the dates on your calendar and start raising money. You don't want to miss this! Check this link to get a preview.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ghdWHO5Ajkw&t=8s>

More Fundraisers ahead:

Ash Wednesday Soup Supper - February 26 (Person needed to organize)

Palm Sunday Breakfast and Auction - April 5 (Person needed to organize)

Spring Fling flower sales - Mid- April with delivery before Mother's Day

Worship Committee meeting will be Tuesday, January 14 at 7:00 in the church library. We will be working on hymns and services for the Lenten season and through Easter. If anyone has any requests, please email to Jeni or other members of the committee (Kathy Reese, Jill Hanson, Angie Boen, Peggy Vesterby). We will consider each request. Thank you.

Thursday morning Women's Bible Study will start a new book on January 16. Let me know if you are interested in a book - I haven't decided on one yet...

Confirmation Meals for January

January 1 – No Confirmation

January 8 – Gena Amsden & Polly Amsden

January 15 – Katy Holland & Jamie Stryker

January 22 – Shelby Gass

January 29 – Servers needed!!!



Coffee Hour Servers for January

January 5 – Marc and Sarah Iverson
Bobbi Jo and Tim Abrahamson
Shannon and Jen Visser

January 12 Daren and Melissa Sagedahl
Reggie and Jessica Lothert
Craig and Becky Mages

January 19 Derek & Tami Stovern
Craig and Jamie Lothert
Kevin and Sandy Whited

January 26 Matt and Sarah Hausken
Dan and Heidi Gross
Kelsey Wertish



JANUARY VOLUNTEERS

COMMUNION:	8:30 – Gordy Blem 10:30 – Curt Sather
USHERS	8:30 – Jeff Keltgen, Bill Kopel, Greg Mertens, David Lindquist & Randy Steffel 10:30 – Ushers needed!!!
ACOLYTES	8:30 – Hunter Ridler & Laila Rldler 10:30 – Jayden Claseman & Dominique Claseman
CLICKER	8:30 AM – Kaden Bahl 10:30 AM – Needed!!!!
ALTAR GUILD:	Ronda Berg and Tami Stovern

Cross of Calvary Church News

Bible Studies

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

Ruth Bible Study 4th 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, an adult Bible Study and discussion group with Pastor Matt.

Women's Bible study is Thursday morning at 8:15 am

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!!!

Quilters: reminder you will be starting Thursday, January 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 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

Kathy Johnson – Scott Johnson

Kathy Brown – Family

Tim & Emily Mertens - Friends



REQUESTS
— FOR —
PRAYER



01/02	Alan Kircher	01/09	Haeden Honzay	01/20	Ella Jo Mages
01/02	Regan Link	01/10	Jeanne Welchance	01/20	Cade Morse
01/02	Connor Weber	01/11	Breanna Balderston	01/21	Abby Steffel
01/03	Tom Revier	01/11	Jessica Altmann	01/21	Devin Nere
01/04	Shane Malvin	01/12	Stephanie Wallert	01/21	Martin Mittelstadt
01/04	McKenna Lilja	01/12	Aubry Johnson	01/22	Dennis Barta
01/04	Landon Robideau	01/14	Aiden Grund	01/22	Pamela Dettmann
01/04	Emma Dahl	01/16	Faye Johnson	01/23	Taylor Sagedahl
01/05	Matt Holland	01/16	Sandy Balderston	01/24	Nancy Mages
01/05	Henry Helin	01/17	Nancy Berry	01/24	Julie Slaughter
01/06	Michelle Jensen	01/17	Rebecca Thiesse	01/25	Kathie Zimmer
01/07	John Balgaard	01/17	John Morse	01/25	Brian Klinghagen
01/07	Sara Wussow	01/17	Avery Kopel	01/26	Bob Honzay
01/07	Krista Nelson	01/18	Doug Knudsen	01/27	Duane Senger
01/08	Myra Lindquist	01/18	Heidi Gross	01/27	Cameron Larson
01/08	Max Kingery			01/27	Andrew Woelfel
01/08	Becky Nelson	01/18	Sara Benson	01/28	Jazlynn Cluka
01/08	Alex Gay	01/19	Cheryl Mallak	01/29	Elaine Livingood
01/08	Elsa Skeie	01/19	Jason Dobmeier	01/30	Hank Larson
01/09	Nolan Ditterich	01/19	Logan Triplett	01/31	Sandy Gay
01/09	Hunter Evenson			01/31	Tim Kopel
				01/31	Travis Honzay
01/26	Marguax Baumgartner	01/30	Ryan Eliot		

"Good Gifts" for Christmas

Thank you!

The money will go towards a farm for a family in need and money was also given for a Scooter for Missionary Pastor!!!

Given By:

David Torgelson
Keith and Stacey Larson
Steve, Sue,
Chloe & Lanie Altmann
Edith Vogt
Steven Erickson
Barb Hausken
Ron and Linda Fahse
Stan & Sue Malecek

In MEMORY of

John Torgelson
Paul and Mark Vogt; Mildred Larson
Paige Altmann & Del Altmann

Loved Ones

Joni Erickson
Terje Hausken
Claire Moe
Brendon Reynolds

Given By:

Grasmon Family
Duane & Karen Flom
Nathan & Angela Cole
Chet & Angie Boen

In HONOR of

Loved ones
Tyler, Gabriel, Gavin & Elijah
Warren & Ruth Mitchell, Darrel & Linda Cole
Our Children: Anthony, Cami, Brian, Dana, Craig & Chrissy
Grandchildren: Miranda, Noah, Zane & Rylee

Donation Given By:

Dennis & Karen Barta
Anonymous Gift



Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 9:00 AM Worship No Sunday School	30 6:00-8:00 pm Library Reserved	31 6:15 am and 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	1 No WOW No Conf. Meal No Confirmation Class No Theology on Tap	2 No Breakfast Club No Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM Outreach Mtg.	3 Parkview 9:30 AM	4 5:30 PM Worship
5 Worship/Communion 8:30 & 10:30 am Youth Band plays 9:30 -10:20 Sunday School Deadline: Papa Murphy Sales - noon	6 6:00-8:00 pm Library Reserved 6:00-7:30 Boy Scouts	7 6:15 am and 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	8 3:15- 5:00 PM WOW 5:30 PM Conf. Meal 6:30 PM Confirmation Class No Theology on Tap Church Council Mtg. 7:30	9 7:07 AM Breakfast Club 8:15 AM Women's Bible Study 3:00-5:00 PM Jesus Justice League	10	11 5:30 PM Worship Youth Band plays Funeral
12 Worship 8:30 & 10:30 am 9:30 -10:20 Sunday School 9:45 AM Care Team Mtg. 11:30 AM Equipping Mtg. Baptismal Anniversary 5:00 PM Winter Youth Dodgeball League	13 6:00-8:00 pm Library Reserved	14 6:15 am and 7:00 am Men's Bible Study 7:00 PM Worship Committee Mtg.	15 3:15- 5:00 PM WOW 5:30 PM Conf. Meal 6:30 PM Confirmation Class 8:00 PM Theology on Tap	16 7:07 AM Breakfast Club 8:15 AM Women's Bible Study	17 Parkview 9:30 AM	18 5:30 PM Worship LYO Mtg. 9-4
19 Worship/Communion 8:30 & 10:30 am 9:30 -10:20 Sunday School 12:30 PM leave – Ski Day at Mt. Kato ANNUAL MEETING – 9:30 AM	20 6:00-8:00 pm Library Reserved	21 6:15 am and 7:00 am Men's Bible Study	22 3:15- 5:00 PM WOW 5:30 PM Conf. Meal 6:30 PM Confirmation Class 8:00 PM Theology on Tap	23 7:07 AM Breakfast Club 8:15 AM Women's Bible Study Sue out of office	24 9-12 PM OVERTIME Sue out of office	25 5:30 PM Worship
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Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church Council Meeting

Minutes for: Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at 7:30 pm

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Dana Boen	2020	Jon Hawkinson	2021*	Reggie Lothert	2022
Curt Sather	2020	Laurence Stratton	2021	Nathan Cole	2022
Jill Hanson	2020	Elaine McDowell	2022	Alex Gay	2021
DeeAnne Newville	2020*	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 (AB) Sarah Hausken, Parish Minister Sue Altmann, Council Recorder

AGENDA

- Meeting called to order – Gordy Blem
- Devotions – Jill Hanson
- Approve minutes of the November meeting – Motion to approve the minute's by Steve Altmann, seconded by Jon Hawkinson, motion passed.
- Financial Secretary and Treasurer Reports – November- Motion to approve the treasurer/secretary report by Dana Boen, seconded by Jon Hawkinson, motion passed. Proposed budget for 2020 will be discussed and voted on January 2020.
- Pastor's report - 1. Pastor Matt has been training and working with the sheriff department to be a Chaplain. He will be a support person for the department. 2. Normal visits 3. All worship services having been going very well. 4. Wrapping up year end 5. February 25th Lent will start.
- Parish Ministers report – Sarah and Jeni have been working with other area churches to start 2 new programs. One is a Dodgeball league and the other is called OVERTIME, which involves students working together on projects.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (2019)

1. Administration – Alex Gay & Nathan Cole – no report
2. Children, Youth and Family-Reggie Lothert – no report
3. Equipping –Laurence Stratton & Elaine McDowell – working on different ways to get the congregation more involved in giving. Also, still working on Adult classes and moment of gratitude is going well.
4. Missions –Alex Gay – no report, don't meet in December
5. Worship and Music –Jill Hanson - The committee is finished thru February, they will get together in the new year to continue their work.
6. Care Team – DeeAnne Newville – no report
7. Parish Life – Dana Boen – no report
8. Outreach – Jon Hawkinson & Jill Hanson – Adverting was sent out welcoming the community to our church and Christmas eve services. The money came from donation and Thrivent for the project.
9. Technology – Steve Altmann & Nathan Cole – All PC's are working well. Research was done on whether to change our on line giving vendor. Council chose to stay with Vance.
10. AED Maintenance – Steve Altmann

OLD BUSINESS

- Set Annual Meeting date. (January 19th, 2020 at 9:30 AM)
- Reminder that all committee reports need to be in at the beginning of January.
- January 8th council will meet to approve 2020 recommended budget.
- Discussion about Constitution changes and/or addition (Sister Sarah)
- A committee was formed to update the Cross of Calvary Constitution. Laurence Stratton, Gordy Blem, Nathan Cole, Sister Sarah Hausken and Alex Gay will be working on the updates.

NEW BUSINESS

- Action needed: The Church Council needed to approve the designation of \$1,500.00 of Pastor Matt's 2020 salary as a furnishing allowance. This designation does NOT change 2020 salary and is NOT additional compensation but is merely a formality in order to comply with IRS reporting requirements. A motion was made by Curt Sather to except this amount and seconded by Jon Hawkinson, motion passed.
- Church services at 9:00 AM – always keep them at 8:30 AM moving forward. After discussion, Dana Boen made a motion to have all services moving forward will be at 8:30 AM, not 9:00 AM, seconded by Laurence Stratton, motion passed. (This will be for only services that will be only one per Sunday)

Council Members: done 2020 – Dana Boen, Curt Sather, Jill Hanson & DeeAnne Newville. All but DeeAnne can re-join.

Next Council meeting: Wednesday, January 8th at 7:30 pm

January Communion: 8:30 –Gordy Blem & 10:30 – Curt Sather

January Devotion – Dana Boen

Adjourn / Close in prayer.