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**Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church**

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**June 21 – June 28**

**All Worship services will continue to be broadcast on the website and Facebook – thru end of June.**

Sunday 6-21 **Worship - online**

Monday 6-22

Tuesday 6-23 Financial Peace University 8:30 PM

Wednesday 6-24 Theology on Tap at 8:00 PM

Thursday 6-25

Friday 6-26

Saturday 6-28 **Worship - online**

Sunday 6-29 **Worship - online**

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**Women’s Bible Study** Books are in! Stop by the church office to pick your book up. Cost is $12.00

**Looking for a God sighting, where God has been at work in your life!**

Pastor Matt is looking for persons that have felt God’s presence in their life. It could be when you are walking, listening to music, etc. He would like you to video your experience and send a short video to him to share at Sunday services. (It can anonymous or you can appear in the video)



**Offering**

A huge Thank You for giving so generously!

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During this time of uncertainty giving is even more important. We are asking our members to consider giving their offering through our website.crossofcalvary.net

Online giving is fast, safe, and secure.

**GIVING ONLINE INSTRUCTIONS**

at Cross of Calvary

Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet.

Simply follow these easy steps:

1) Visit the church website at crossofcalvary.net

2) Click on the GIVE button,

3) Click on HERE TO GIVE, then

4) Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.



**Cross of Calvary Youth**

**DAY CAMP with Green Lake Lutheran Ministries**

**“We are the church” Matthew 18:20**

Day camp is going to look different this year, but it will still be a wonderful time to explore God’s love through stories, songs and activities. Day Camp this year will be free and we encourage you to invite family and friends, no matter where they live, to participate with you! Since you’ll be participating from your own homes and using online resources, anyone can do this no matter where they live!

Each day has a different theme and Bible focus with Worship, crafts, outdoor activities, treat ideas, story time, “randomness” and more! Our dates for Day Camp would be July 6-9. It would be fun to do it together - but please also feel free to do it when it works for you. I have been watching the videos and they are so FUN!!

Please sign up by messaging me, Jeni Skeie at (320) 579-0406 or jeniskeie@gmail.com

Also, let me know if you plan to print/view the schedule and supply list at home, or if you would like me to print the information for you to be picked up at church.

There are a couple supplies you may not have at home. Please let me know if you’d like to get those from church and we’ll have them available for you.

How do I find Day Camp?

Go to gllm.org to Summer Samp, to Day Camp at Home. Scroll down to “Day Camp Videos” and slide to playlists, choosing the playlist for day 1 or whatever day you are on.

Some ideas on how to participate:

One way to participate is for you/your children to watch the whole day of videos, and then decide what activities you want to do.

If you are a busy family (which most are) maybe you want to spread out the activities for a whole week and make each day last a week.

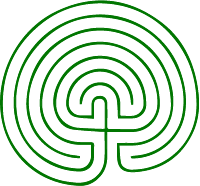
Or do the whole thing in a week.

Or maybe you want to use it on the weekends.

However you want to do it, just enjoy the fun, songs, and creativity in the Bible Stories. Your kids will love it!!!

Please send me pictures so we can celebrate this time of fun and learning together as a congregation.

**Youth and Adults** - If you are looking for something devotional, short and sweet, check out this one!!! It is refreshing and current. It includes an opening, scripture, message, prayer and benediction and you could read the whole thing in about 1-2 minutes. When you subscribe, it is emailed to you every morning. I love it. https://d365.org. It’s a joint effort by the Presbyterian Church and a few other denominations.



**Cross of Calvary Labyrinth** is located on the southwest corner of the church property. This piece of property that holds the Labyrinth has been refinished. Please **do not** walk on the brick until next summer; you can walk alongside the brick for now.

Q: What is a Labyrinth?

A: Labyrinths are geometrical patterns used for walking or tracing, as a tool to assist the consciousness.

Q: Why walk a Labyrinth?

A: Walking the labyrinth can release patterned behavior, thoughts, and feelings of various sorts. It can "untorque” or unwind you. As you release old patterned energy, the alignment of your body may shift or straighten into a greater spiritual alignment.

Some walk a labyrinth as a kind of moving meditation.

**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.

Ardith Glockzin – Carol Senkyr sister

Carol Horrmann – family

Lyle Norris – Family

Kraig Christoffer – Kathy Aumer brother

Donna Greenwell

Sam Hennen –Betsy Hennen grandson

ALL persons working tirelessly to help with the Covid-19 pandemic

Phil Bahl – Nate Bahl father

Tim & Emily Merten family – Angela Cole

Kathy Brown – Family and Friends

Kathy Johnson – Scott Johnson

Lesley Sagedahl- Sagedahl Family

Briar Lippert – Friends & Family

Evelyn & Greg Rosenow – Teeny Kadelbach brother and sister –in-law

Camden Serbus– Taylor & Tanya Serbus’s son

Linda Cole – Nathan Cole’s mother

Military personal and their families

Mark Grasmon

Darwin – Sonia Grasmon’s brother

**June 21, 2020**

**THIRD SUNDAY**

**AFTER PENTECOST**

*Christ gives us a new life.*

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

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

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| **Sunday** | **Matthew 10:24-39** | **The call and cost of discipleship** |
| **Monday** | **Jeremiah 20:7-13** | **Jeremiah denounces his persecutors** |
| **Tuesday** | **Romans 6:1b-11** | **Dying and rising with Christ** |
| **Wednesday** | **Genesis 21:8-21** | **Hagar and Ishmael are sent away** |
| **Thursday** | **Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17** | **Save me, Lord** |
| **Friday** | **Ephesians 4:17-24** | **The old and the new life** |
| **Saturday** | **Psalm 69:7-18** | **God can be trusted** |
| **Sunday** | **Matthew 10:40-42** | **Receiving and serving others** |

**SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK**

Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in the newness of life. Romans 6:4 (NRSV)

**PRAYERS AND BLESSING**

**A Prayer for the Week:**

Merciful God, help us to trust that all that we are and hope to be is found in the new life we have through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Mealtime Prayer:**

Dear God, all good things come from you; thank you for your goodness that gives us food to eat this day. Amen.

**A Blessing to Give:**

May God draw near to you and free you from your fears through Christ your Lord. (Psalm 69:18)

**HYMN OF THE WEEK**

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song

**CARING CONVERSATIONS**

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

 What is something you would like to accomplish in the next year?

 What is it about that accomplishment that is important to you?

 Why do you think Jesus wants us to value a relationship with him above all things?

**DEVOTIONS**

Read: Matthew 10:24-39.

Core values are important because they define what we stand for and who we are. Jesus indicates that following him is non-negotiable and an all-or-nothing proposition. Sometimes we must let go of what we treasure in life to gain what really counts in God’s kingdom. In the process, Jesus gives a number of stark contrasts, many of which are hard to hear. Following Jesus will lead some to be rejected by family, which was a reality in first century Christianity and can be true today, too. Acknowledge Jesus and he will acknowledge you. Deny him and he will deny you. In the midst of these tough passages is Jesus’ repeated theme of not being afraid (vv. 26, 28, and 31). Jesus warns us not to deny him before others, but Peter does three times before Jesus’ crucifixion (Matthew 26:69-75). What Peter learns is that mercy, not judgment is the ultimate core value in the kingdom. God’s mercy takes away our fear. Jesus calls us to make a difference and to rely on him. We all falter. Jesus doesn’t. This is the newness of life that the Apostle Paul identifies (Romans 6:4) for the baptized that stands out for its dramatically different way of living. How does God’s mercy help you not to be afraid?

Pray: Dear God, may our life in Christ give us peace and good courage as we live each day with others. Amen.

**SERVICE**

Sunday is Father’s Day. Take time to offer prayers of thanksgiving and support for fathers and all men as they seek to be caregivers to those around them. Begin your prayers by saying, “Dear God, thank you for (name) . . .” Contact or visit those for whom you have prayed and/or send them a card as a sign of your appreciation and thankfulness.

**RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**

Baptism involves the mystery of God’s work that claims us as God’s own in Christ. Think about or tell a story about your baptism or that of someone else. Fill a bowl with water. Dip your fingers into the water. Make the sign of the cross on your forehead or that of another person. Say: May God bless you with new life in Christ each and every day.