



Cross of Calvary

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

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June 28 – July 5

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

Sunday 6-28

Worship - online

Monday 6-29

Follower for July mailed

Tuesday 6-30

Financial Peace University 8:30 PM

Financial Statements placed in mailed (1st half of the year)

Wednesday 7-1

Theology on Tap at 8:00 PM

Office Closed

Thursday 7-2

Office Closed

Friday 7-3

Office Closed

Saturday 7-4

Worship - online

Sunday 7-5

Worship - online

Christ in Our Home: (July, August & September) is now available at the church, stop by and pick up a copy.

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!



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 will be free this year for everyone! Since you'll be using online resources, anyone can do this whenever you want, no matter where you live! Invite all your friends!

Each day has a different theme and Bible focus with Opening Worship, crafts, outdoor activities, treat ideas, story time, "randomness" and Closing Worship! All activities and a list of supplies are on the website. They use common items you have at home.

Some ideas on how to participate:

- watch the whole day of videos (about 1 hour) then decide what activities to do.
- spread out the activities for a whole week and make each "day" last a week.
- do the whole thing in a week.
- use it on the weekends.

However you want to do it, just enjoy it! Your kids will love it!!! I have been watching the videos and they are so FUN!!

Message me if you need help or have questions, Jeni Skeie at (320) 579-0406 or jeniskeie@gmail.com

How do I find Day Camp?

Go to gllm.org to the bars at the top right corner to Summer Camp, 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. 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.

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

DAILY ACTIVITY MATERIALS

DAY CAMP AT HOME · WE ARE THE CHURCH



DAY ONE MATERIALS

Devotion:

- Markers
- Scissors
- Paper

Arts and Crafts:

- Plain white paper
- Pencil
- Markers
- Scissors

Nature Project:

- Paper
- Markers
- List of outdoor items (pdf link available)

Snack Idea:

- Apples
- Yogurt
- Favorite yogurt topping (granola, fruit, etc.)
- Knife
- Cutting board

Afternoon Activity:

- Construction paper/paper
- Markers

DAY TWO MATERIALS

Devotion:

- Paper
- Markers/crayons
- Plates
- Bread
- Construction paper cut into strips

Arts and Crafts:

- Wax paper
- Glue (and a small cup to mix glue and water in)
- Paint brush
- Tissue paper
- Scissors
- Construction paper

Nature Project:

- 4 sticks about the same length
- 10 rocks
- Paint and paintbrush

Snack Idea:

- Sandwich making supplies
- Toothpicks
- Knife and cutting board

Afternoon Activity:

- Sidewalk chalk

DAY THREE MATERIALS

Devotion:

- Writing utensils
- Scissors
- Paper

Arts and Crafts:

- Coffee filters
- Paper plates
- Squir bottle with water
- Markers

Nature Project:

- Recycled containers (juice/milk jug, etc.)
- Paint
- Box cutter/scissors
- Bird Seed
- Rope/yarn to hang finished project

Snack Idea:

- Pretzels
- Chocolate chips
- Milk
- Pot to melt chocolate in
- Wax paper and pan

Afternoon Activity:

- A singing voice (doesn't have to be good!)
- Flower pots
- Paint
- Plants/seeds and soil

DAY FOUR MATERIALS

Devotion:

- Paper
- Markers

Arts and Crafts:

- Paper plate
- Hole puncher
- Yarn
- Scissors

Nature Project:

- 2 pieces of plain paper
- Markers
- Stapler

Snack Idea:

- Tube of cinnamon roll dough
- Pan

Afternoon Activity:

- Trash bags
- Gloves

Camp at Home with Green Lake Lutheran Ministries is also online. They post a morning worship every day as well as activities. Each worship features a guest speaker for the message. Elsa Skeie shares on Wednesday, June 24. Sister Sarah Hausken shares on Friday, June 26. You can find these on their YouTube page. Start at gllm.org, to Camp at home. Have fun and send us pics!

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.

Avery and Sawyer Kopel – children of Courtney and Zach Kopel

Ardith Glockzin – Carol Senkyr sister

Carol Horrmann – family

Charlene 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 & Sonia Grasmon

Darwin – Sonia Grasmon's brother

June 28, 2020

FOURTH SUNDAY

AFTER PENTECOST



*We are freed from sin to care
for others.*

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Matthew 10:40-42	Receiving and serving others
Monday	Jeremiah 28:5-9	Hananiah opposes Jeremiah
Tuesday	Romans 6:12-23	Slaves of righteousness
Wednesday	Genesis 22:1-14	Command to sacrifice Isaac
Thursday	Psalms 13	Prayer for deliverance
Friday	Acts 6:5-15	The arrest of Stephen
Saturday	Psalms 89:1-4, 15-18	God's covenant with David
Sunday	Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30	Rest for the weary

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. Romans 6:13 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Gracious God, your love is so complete that we cannot fully grasp it. Help us to enjoy life in your presence and extend your love, grace, mercy, and peace, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, we thank you for this food, another example of your constant love and faithfulness, through Christ our Lord. Amen. (Psalm 89:2)

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord who has freed you from sin bless you with a holy life and life eternal. (Romans 6:22)

HYMN OF THE WEEK

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- ☑ When have you been tempted to do something you knew was wrong? What happened?
- ☑ Should there be consequences when someone does something wrong? Explain.
- ☑ How does the Christian faith lead you beyond selfish desires?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Romans 6:12-23.

Since the time Paul conveyed the radical message “where sin increased, grace abounded all the more” (Romans 5:20b), Christians and non-Christians alike have wondered if the Christian faith was license to live immorally. If our sin leads to God’s grace, should we help God out by sinning all the more so that God’s grace will be extended all the more? Heavens, no, answers Paul (6:15). What then? Sin is not simply bad actions. For Paul, sin is a demonic power in the universe opposed to everything that is of God. Being baptized into Christ is to die to that life opposed to God (6:4). What do we do then? With everything in us, we live “to God as instruments of righteousness” (6:13). We gladly participate in God’s saving activity in the world with our words, actions, thoughts, and hopes. The life ruled by Christ is not easy to comprehend so Paul writes, “I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations,” so just go for it! Give it your all for the sake of all that is holy, just, and full of God’s presence (v. 19). How does God’s grace give you a desire to do all you can to love and serve in Christ’s name?

Pray: Gracious God, give us the desire to serve in your kingdom as instruments of your goodness through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SERVICE

Leading a life as a follower of Jesus can seem to be a big task. In Matthew 10, Jesus reminds us that even the small things we do are acts of service, like giving a cup of water (v.42). Giving a drink of water, holding a door, and offering a kind word can make a difference in someone’s life. What acts of service can you do this week?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

If we want Christian children and youth, we need Christian adults who practice the faith with them. Whether mealtime or bedtime prayers, reading the Bible, singing hymns, or blessing one another, the faith practices we model in our homes live on from generation to generation. Make a list of faith practices you do in your home. What ones have you passed on to others?