



The Follower

July 2020



Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church
1103 W. Chestnut Ave.
Olivia, MN 56277



Offering

A huge Thank You
for giving so generously!

Cross of Calvary Church News

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

Cross of Calvary Outdoor Service Guidelines

Cross of Calvary is looking to do an evening outdoor worship service. We will follow guidelines to keep your health and safety in mind. Please note the following information below that we will be asking

- Please SELF SCREEN prior to coming to the service. If you have any of the following symptoms which are new or worse than your usual, or you are just no feeling well, please stay home.

- Fever (100.4 F or higher), or feeling feverish?
- Chills?
- Cough?
- Shortness of breath?
- Sore throat?
- Muscle aches?
- Headache?
- Loss of smell or taste?

- If you are over 65 or have underlying health conditions we would encourage you not to attend – we care about your health and safety first!

- Bring your own chairs or blankets and we will ask that you sit with your family members and practice physical distancing

- We encourage you to wear a mask but it will not be required. If you do not have a mask and need assistance in obtaining one please contact the church office

- Singing is not encouraged due to the high rate of virus spread from singing. We will have pre-recorded music.

- We would like people to sign up prior to the service, so we can plan accordingly (this is not a requirement but highly recommended). We will be taking attendance at the service in the event that someone would become ill following as it would help with case tracing.

Email or call to the church office for questions:

320-523-1574 or email crossofcalvary@gmail.com

1. Offering will be taken but no plate will be passed. Please place your offering in the secure drop box located on the handicapped sign pole on the East side of the church. Remember to maintain physical distance from others when giving your offering.

2. No paper bulletins will be provided. The order of service will be emailed to you if you are on the list, and you may follow along off your phone or tablet.

We understand that there are a lot of guidelines we want to follow but we want to assure that you feel safe when gathering. We will be continuing to provide recorded services on Sunday morning as we have been, available through the link on our website to YouTube.

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

Women's Bible Study: Thursday morning at 8:15 AM. Contact Jeni Skeie for more information

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)

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

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



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.

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.

Lutheran Youth Organization

Cross of Calvary would like to express congratulations to Lily Thompson and Leif Hausken who have been elected to the Southwestern Minnesota Synod Lutheran Youth Organization (LYO) Board.



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.

Church office and church will be closed July Wednesday 1, Thursday 2, and Friday 3, 2020

**Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church – Council Meeting
Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at 7:00 PM (ZOOM)**

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Terms end at Annual Meeting in Jan.
* Second term

Jon Hawkinson	2021*	Reggie Lothert	2022 AB	Jill Hanson	2023*
Laurence Stratton	2021	Nathan Cole	2022	Jena Bruns	2023
Steve Altmann	2021*	Elaine McDowell	2022 AB	Courtney Kopel	2023 AB
Alex Gay	2021	Gordon Blem	2022*		
MacKenzie Gartner	202- resigned				
Sam Welchance	Youth AB				

STAFF

Pastor Matt Hausken	Jeni Skeie, Parish Minister
Sister Sarah Hausken, Parish Minister	Sue Altmann, Recorder
	Craig Boen, Janitor

MINUTES

MEETING - Call to Order (President)

1. Devotions – Alex Gay
 2. Approve minutes of the May meeting – Motion to approve the minute’s by Jill Hanson, seconded by Alex Gay, motion passed.
 3. Treasurer Report – May - Motion to approve the treasurer/secretary report by Gordy Blem, seconded by Jena Bruns, motion passed.
Offering for May - \$19,916.00
 4. Pastor’s Report
 - o Reopening church information –shown on page 2, A motion was made by Gordy Blem for outside service in July, seconded by Jill Hanson. Motion passed with one voting against.
 - o Continuing Education classes are really helping with worship material and faith talks at the Cross of Calvary, they deal with COVID-19 and unrest in America.
 5. Parish Ministers Reports
 - Jeni: Women’s bible Study starts on June 18 in the Fellowship Hall. A motion was made by Jon Hawkinson to donate the money given to GLLM for Bible camp be donated and not reimburse, seconded by Alex Gay: motion passed.
 - Sarah: Recommended podcast and movies relating to what is going on in the country now.
- Gordy Blem thanked Sister Sarah & Jeni for the Sunday School messages that were shared.
- Office Report (Sue)
- o Ordered personal communion items (backordered)
 - o Two members on Council – one has resigned, one hasn’t been to a meeting in November
- (Discussion)
6. Maintenance Update (Craig)

- a. Hillyard order delivered – 2 sanitizer foam dispensers
- b. May get more for church after the summer since the foam expires over time
- 7. Committee Reports
 - a. Administration – Alex Gay, Gordy Blem & Nathan Cole: Gordy Blem did a walkthrough of the church to make sure there were no problems, reported back that all was good.
 - b. Children, Youth & Family - Reggie Lothert & Courtney Kopel
 - c. Equipping – Laurence Stratton & Jena Bruns
 - d. Missions – Alex Gay
 - e. Worship & Music – Jill Hanson & Elaine McDowell
 - f. Care Team -
 - g. Parish Life –
 - h. Outreach – Jon Hawkinson & Jill Hanson: the committee has ordered 100 outdoor signs to be placed in yards Welcoming people to Cross of Calvary
 - i. Technology – Steve Altmann & Nathan Cole
 - j. AED Maintenance – Sue Altmann
- 8. Old Business
 - a. Needs, Wants, Goals for 2020
- 9. New Business
 - a.
- 10. Board Discussion
- 11. Adjourn – Jon Hawkinson made a motion to a adjourn, Jill Hanson seconded, motion passed.
- 12. Closing Prayer

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING INFO

Next month: Wednesday, July 15th at 7:30 pm

Communion: July -

Devotions: July - Elaine