



Cross of Calvary

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

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August 9 – August 16



Cross of Calvary is having Outdoor Worship service with Communion on Sunday, August 6th at 5:30 PM. Please read the guidelines on the next page before attending the service. We will continue to offer online services throughout the fall.

Cross of Calvary Outdoor Service Guidelines

Cross of Calvary 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.

- 1. Parking vehicles:** please either park on the street or enter on the west side of the church parking lot. Park on the south side of the building and walk up with chairs. If you are going to stay in your vehicle, please park on the very east side of the parking lot.
- 2. No enter into the church will be allowed. No bathrooms will be available.**
- 3. Communion will be served this week, please pick up your Fellowship cup. It will be in baskets, remember to keep physical distance. Either dispose the cup in the garbage can provided or take home and discard.**

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, **golf carts are a great suggestion!**
- **We require a mask.** If you do not have a mask and need assistance in obtaining one please contact the church office or they will be available at the service.
- We will **not** have singing due to the high rate of virus spread from singing. **We will have 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.

All Worship services will continue to be broadcast on the website and Facebook

Sunday 8/09	Worship – online and Outdoor service at 5:30 PM, east parking lot
Monday 8/10	
Tuesday 8/11	
Wednesday 8/12	Theology on Tap at 8:00 PM
Thursday 8/13	Meeting with Santa Closet members at 1:00 PM
Friday 8/14	
Saturday 8/15	Worship - online
Sunday 8/16	Worship – online and Outdoor service at 5:30 PM, east parking lot

Women’s Bible Study – contact Jeni Skeie if interested in joining. We meet Thursday mornings at 8:15 AM, either in person or via Zoom.

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!

Stephen Ministers are available to visit in person or over the phone if you are in need of someone to talk to about decisions, or you are feeling lonely. During this time when we are physically apart, we want to walk along beside you and want you to know we are here for you. Please call the church office and Sue can pass on your request. 320-523-1574

CareTeam is available to offer meals to anyone or any families in need. We have a list of people who love to cook. If you have a need, or just need help once in a while, please contact Sue at the church office and she can direct your call to our CareTeam. 320-523-1574

Cross of Calvary Youth



Youth Families - Have you done Day Camp yet? Don't miss this fun opportunity. It's not too late. Here is the link!

<https://www.gllm.org/day-camp-at-home.html>

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

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

Breakfast Club will be on August 13th at 7:07am for students who have completed grades 10-12 this year. We will meet at church. Plan to meet outside in the prayer labyrinth, but if there is bad weather, you will need to wear a mask into church until you are seated and when you leave.

ELCA Youth Gathering...



Update regarding the 2021 ELCA Youth Gathering (Posted July 22, 2020) After much prayer and consideration, we have decided to postpone next summer's ELCA Youth Gathering to 2022 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The 2022 ELCA Youth Gathering will be held July 24-28, 2022, in Minneapolis, with the two pre-events, the Multicultural Youth Leadership Event (MYLE) and the tAble, scheduled for July 21-24, 2022.

We give thanks for your prayers and patience as we have worked through the details with our partners in Minneapolis and across the country. We hope that by postponing the Gathering for a year, individuals and congregations will feel more comfortable and prepared to attend the Gathering in 2022. We will be updating our website and social media as more details become available. We look forward to seeing you and experiencing the boundlessness of God in Minneapolis in 2022!

#ELCAYG2022

ELCA Youth Gathering Resources

Gathering Website

ELCA Youth Gathering Facebook Page

ELCA Youth Gathering Twitter



Prayer Request

Sonja Fostvedt – family

Paulette Svoboda – family

Ardith Glockzin – Carol Senkyr sister

Donna Greenwell

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

Linda Cole – Nathan Cole's mother

Military personal and their families

Sonia Grasmon

Darwin – Sonia Grasmon's brother

Teri Vogt – Stacey Larson

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

August 9, 2020
TENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST



Hymn of the Week

We Are Marching in the Light

Beautiful are those who bring good news!

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Matthew 14:22-33	Jesus walks on water
Monday	1 Kings 19:9-18	The Lord appears to Elijah
Tuesday	Romans 10:5-15	Anyone can be saved
Wednesday	Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28	Joseph is sold by his brothers
Thursday	Psalms 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b	God's faithfulness to Israel
Friday	1 Thessalonians 3:6-13	Timothy brings good news
Saturday	Psalms 85:8-13	Restoration of God's favor
Sunday	Matthew 15:21-28	A woman's faith

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" Romans 10:15 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord Jesus, just as you saved Peter from the stormy waves, we praise you for saving us from the things that overwhelm us. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

You who walked upon the sea, come and join our meal, we plea. Thank you for your care this day; lead us, Jesus, in your way. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord give you what is good and make a path for your steps. (Psalm 85:12-13)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- ☑ Would you use the word beautiful to describe feet? Why or why not?
- ☑ Describe something you think is beautiful. What makes it beautiful?
- ☑ The Apostle Paul quotes an Old Testament passage about someone who is beautiful because he or she brings good news. What is beautiful to you about the message of Christ?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Romans 10:5-15.

Paul continues an intricate dance of balancing the covenant given to Abraham, Moses, and the larger Jewish community with the new covenant given in Jesus. Finally, it is the same God and the same promise: salvation is meant for all (v. 10). Therefore, our job is not to judge (vv. 6-7) but to proclaim the good news that Christ is the fulfillment of the law. That message only helps if it is heard (vv. 8 and 14). What is so beautiful is not really people's feet—perhaps the least attractive part of a person's body—but the person him/herself. People cannot receive this message of salvation without hearing. We are those sent to share good news with others. We are the beautiful souls not because of feet or noses or eyes, but because of the good news of Christ told to others. Who in your life is beautiful because of his or her sharing Christ with you?

Pray: Living God, may we see the beauty of the gospel and the beauty of those who share your saving message with others through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SERVICE

Serving others reminds us of the breadth of the Kingdom of God and that our faith is personal but not private. Faith motivates us to serve the world in love. In what ways do you serve in your home, your congregation, and in the community?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Jesus died for us. That is how much God loves us. This is good news! "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Romans 10:13). Trace your foot on a piece of paper. Write a list of ways you can use your feet to tell others about the good news of Jesus. On another piece of paper draw lips. Write a list of ways you can use your lips to tell others about the good news of Jesus. Keep your drawings as a visual reminder of the good news.