



Cross of Calvary

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

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October 18 – October 25



Worship Times

Starting Sunday, October 18th

9:00 AM Indoor service (Mask required)

5:30 PM Indoor service (Mask required)

**Worship will now be broadcast church service on FM
88.7 at 5:30 PM Sundays.**



**All Worship services will continue to be broadcast on the website,
Facebook and
FM 88.7 (radio is only on Sunday at 5:30 PM)**



October

Sunday 10/18

**Worship – online, radio and indoor (9:00 AM & 5:30 PM) – Communion
Baptism at noon**

Monday 10/19

Parish Life Meeting at 6:00 PM at Max's

Tuesday 10/20

Men's Bible Study

Financial Peace University by Zoom at 8:30 PM

Wednesday 10/21

Confirmation – 8th Grade in person at 6:30 PM

Church Council Meeting at 7:30 PM (Zoom)

Thursday 10/22

Friday 10/23

Saturday 10/24

Sunday 10/25

Worship – Online, Radio and Indoor service at 9:00 AM & 5:30 PM



Cross of Calvary Yard Signs are here!

Show your Cross of Calvary pride with a beautiful green and white yard sign! Request yours by contacting the church office or take a sign that has been placed in the church yard.

320-523-1574

Parish Life Committee presents-in person movie night at Cross of Calvary coming Sunday, November 1st at 6:45 pm. Meet in the sanctuary to watch and discuss "The Shack". Bring your own snack and covered beverage. Maybe a blanket or a pillow to get comfy in the pews. Distancing and masks required. We reserve the right to cancel if meeting in person becomes unadvised. Limited number of spaces. We will be sending out a place to sign up online. Watch in constant contact. Looking forward to growing in community with you!

Parish Life Committee- Sandra Gay, Dana Boen and Jeni Skeie



Cross of Calvary Indoor Worship Guidelines

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! If you feel comfortable attending please come worship. Remember any age is more than welcome. We just want you to be comfortable and safe.

1. Masking – Masks will be required for indoor worship. If you are unable to wear a mask we would recommend a face shield. If you are not able to wear a mask or shield we would ask that you attend remotely by listening on the radio 88.7 FM or watching online.
2. Entering/exiting – Please enter and exit the church thru the same door. When church is done we will exit church from the back to the front of the sanctuary. Please do not crowd the narthex. Please exit the church immediately after the service.
3. Sanitizing – hand sanitizer is placed at all the entrances to the sanctuary. Please sanitize prior to entering the sanctuary to sit down.
4. Seating – We will use every other pew and these are taped to indicate this. Please distance from non-family or household members by 6 feet. The balcony will not be in use.
5. Singing – Due to high rate of virus spread we do not encourage singing. We understand for some this is hard. Humming along to music is a good way to participate. Speaking the liturgy with your mask on is fine.
6. Communion – On communion Sundays there will be communion trays placed inside each door of the sanctuary. After sanitizing your hands you can take your own self-contained communion with you to your seat. We will all commune together and pastor will give instructions on this. There will be garbage cans placed inside the entrances to throw your communion cup when you leave the church.
7. Offering – 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 or place your offering envelope in the plate that has been placed at each entrance into the Sanctuary. Remember to maintain physical distance from others when giving your offering.
8. No paper bulletins will be provided. All information/songs/ readings for the service will be on the screen.
9. Restroom will be available. Remember to wash your hands.
10. There will be NO use of the Fellowship Hall and NO coffee hour.

Cross of Calvary Faith @ Home/Sunday School

Faith @ Home Weekly Bible Story

Bible Story for October 14-20

Matthew 22: 34-40

Jesus Calling bible Storybook – Jesus the Teacher; The Greatest Commandment, page 164
Spark Story Bible – The Greatest Commandment, page 306

Faith @ Home Toolbox

We have had a wonderful time sharing Faith @ Home Toolboxes all over town. Thank you to everyone who came out! For those of you who missed it, we'll be sharing them after Sunday 5:30 pm worship throughout September. If we don't see you before the end of September, we'll contact you to schedule a time to give you your Faith @ Home Toolbox and teach you how to use it. Weekly Faith 5 Bible stories will be posted at on our website.

sarah.hausken@gmail.com or Jeniskeie@gmail.com

Faith 5

This simple faith practice deeply connects people to God and one another, and connects faith to daily life.

FAITH 5 carries the power to enrich communication, deepen understanding, and promote mental, and spiritual health.

The five steps are:

STEP 1: SHARE your highs and lows

STEP 2: READ a Bible verse or story

STEP 3: TALK about how the Bible reading might relate to your highs and lows or notice what stands out to you in the Bible reading

STEP 4: PRAY for one another's highs and lows

STEP 5: BLESS one another. One examples of a blessing is "I love you and God loves you too"

Care Partners Coming Soon! We'll be inviting congregation members to participate in mentoring or mutual care-taking relationships with households of different generations. If there are any questions contact Sister Sarah Hausken 320-522-0838 or Jeni Skeie

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

Care Team 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

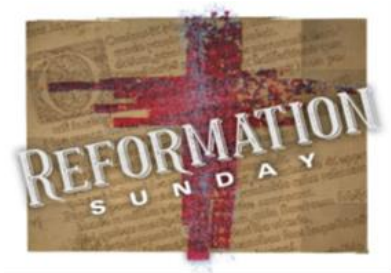
Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University Class

Since 2009 over 30 households from our community have transformed their lives with the help of Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University. Pay off debt, make a budget, make informed choices about retirement, college, and insurance. When you manage your money God's way you take care of your family, gain peace and are able to be generous with others. This is a 9-week class. Each week, you'll watch a one-hour video at home and check in with our facilitators, Adam and Krystle Dillon for 30-40 minutes Tuesdays at 8:30 pm via Zoom. Normally this class costs \$130 per household. Because of donations from Cross of Calvary members, we are offering it at \$80 per household. In addition, scholarships are available. We don't want money to be the reason you don't take this class on managing your money!

There will be an info meeting via Zoom on October 13. You can watch that here:
https://youtu.be/kLQkBCwj_c0

Class start date via Zoom -Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 8:30 PM

Find more information on Facebook or our website or contact Sister Sarah Hausken
sarah.hausken@gmail.com 320-579-0838.



Sunday, October 25th, 2020

October Confirmation Schedule: Wednesday at 6:30 PM

October 7th: 7th Grade in person
October 14th: No Confirmation MEA
October 21st: 8th Grade in person
October 28th: 9th Grade in person





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.

Prayer Request

Gladie Hagen – Family
Sandy Alton - Family
Sandy Kubesh – Family/Friends
Virginia Draheim – Family
Samantha Cully – Pat Aalderks
Austin Harrell – Pat Aalderks grandson
Ralph Taylor – Becky Nelson’s father
Angie Boen – Family and friends
Sherry Wold – Courtney Kopel grandmother
Sonja Fostvedt – family
Paulette Svoboda – family
Ardith Glockzin – Carol Senkyr sister
Donna Greenwell

ALL persons working tirelessly to help with the Covid-19 pandemic
Tim & Emily Merten family – Angela Cole
Kathy Johnson – Scott Johnson
Lesley Sagedahl- Sagedahl Family
Briar Lippert – Friends & Family
Linda Cole – Nathan Cole’s mother
Military personal and their families
Darwin – Sonia Grasmon’s brother
Teri Vogt – Stacey Larson

Happy 90th Birthday to Virginia Draheim on November 6th. A party isn’t in the



cards, but her son Curt would love if people sent her cards with a short message.

Her address is:
Bethesda Grand (Room 137)
901 Willmar Ave SE,
Willmar, MN 56201.

October 18, 2020
TWENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST



God does great things through people.

HYMN of the Week

Open Your Ears, O Faithful People

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Matthew 22:15-22	The question of paying taxes
Monday	Isaiah 45:1-7	Cyrus serves the Lord
Tuesday	1 Thessalonians 1:1-10	The example of faith
Wednesday	Exodus 33:12-23	Moses' intercession
Thursday	Psalms 99	Our Lord is king
Friday	Isaiah 42:1-9	The Lord's servant
Saturday	Psalms 96:1-13	Sing a new song
Sunday	Matthew 22:34-46	Loving God and neighbor

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, use our gifts, our faith, our hope in you, to do labors of love for the sake of Jesus Christ and his reign on earth. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, we thank you for how you provide for us and for the hands that have brought this food to us today. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the God who has chosen you in love, give you grace and peace. (1 Thessalonians 1:1, 4)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- ☒ What is something you have accomplished and are proud of?
- ☒ How can God use your efforts—your deeds—for others?
- ☒ Is it a surprise that God can use your efforts to accomplish God’s will on earth? Explain.

DEVOTIONS

Read: Isaiah 45:1-7.

Cyrus is a Persian king. He is not part of God’s chosen people through Abraham, Isaac or Jacob. Cyrus doesn’t even know the God of Israel, and yet Cyrus does God’s will by setting God’s people free to return home from exile in Babylon. Isaiah lifts up the supreme power and authority of God’s rule throughout the world. Besides the LORD, there is no god (v. 5). All that is, is God’s. It is easy for us to forget that God can use others outside of the body of Christ to do God’s will on earth. No wonder Psalm 96 commands all the earth to sing to the LORD (v. 1). In the midst of the tragedies that happen all too often around us, it is important to remember that we are a people of hope and trust in the God who holds all things together. The Apostle Paul wrote with thanksgiving for the Thessalonians’ faith, love, and hope (1 Thessalonians 1:3). As a chosen people, Paul gladly affirms that they do God’s work of love on earth through their “work of faith” and “steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ” (v. 3). How does God’s rule on earth give you hope and encourage you to act with love and faith?

Pray: God of power and might, we thank you for your glory that breathes hope and love into all corners of the earth through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SERVICE

God is the ruler of all of creation and we, God’s servants, have responsibility to care for all that God has created. One of the greatest concerns for our world today is to care for the earth that is suffering under the weight of carbon emissions, overflowing landfills and polluted air and water. What can you do to reduce the waste that harms the earth?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Psalm 96 is a song of praise to God. It tells of the sea roaring, the creatures and fields rejoicing, and the trees singing. In what ways do you praise God through sounds and music? Sing a favorite Christian hymn. Think about what the words say about God. Then say: Sing a new song to the Lord! Everyone on this earth, sing praises to the Lord, sing and praise his name. (vv.1-2a)