



Cross of Calvary

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

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October 25 – November 1



Worship Times

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 9:00 AM)

October

Sunday 10/25

**Worship – online, radio and indoor (9:00 AM & 5:30 PM)
Reformation Sunday**

Monday 10/26

Tuesday 10/27

Men's Bible Study

Wednesday 10/28

Confirmation – 9th Grade in person at 6:30 PM

Thursday 10/29

Friday 10/30

Saturday 10/31

Sunday 11/01

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



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 21-27

Matthew 5:18-23

Jesus Calling Bible Storybook – Twelve Helpers, page 156

Spark Story Bible – The Disciples, page 258

Faith @ Home Toolbox

We have had a wonderful time sharing Faith @ Home Toolboxes.. For those of you who missed it, we'll be sharing them after Sunday 9:00 AM worship throughout the year. If we don't see you before the end of year, 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

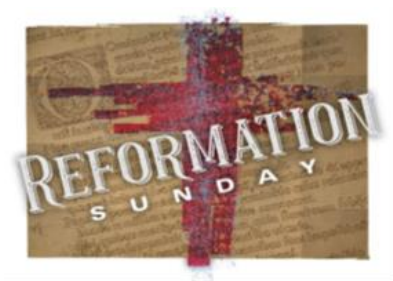
Our next class will begin right when you'll need it on January 5, 2021.

Since 2009 over 45 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!

Class start date via Zoom -Tuesday, January 5 at 8:30 pm

Want to register? Have questions? Contact Sister Sarah Hausken sarah.hausken@gmail.com 320-579-0838.



Sunday, October 25th, 2020

Oct/Nov Confirmation Schedule: Wednesday at 6:30 PM

October 28th: 9th Grade in person

November 4th: 7th Grade

November 11th: 8th Grade

November 18th: 9th Grade

November 25: No Confirmation





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

Denise Revier – Family
Gladie Hagen – Family
Sandy Alton - Family
Sandy Kubesh – Family/Friends
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
Family of Virginia Draheim
Family of Linda Cole – Nathan Cole’s mother
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
Military personal and their families
Darwin – Sonia Grasmon’s brother
Teri Vogt – Stacey Larson

October 25, 2020
REFORMATION SUNDAY



Disciples have a trusted relationship with Jesus.

HYMN of the Week

A Mighty Fortress is Our God.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	John 8:31-36	The Son makes you free
Monday	Jeremiah 31:31-34	The new covenant
Tuesday	Romans 3:19-28	True righteousness
Wednesday	Deuteronomy 34:1-12	Moses is buried in Moab
Thursday	Psalm 90:1-17	God is eternal
Friday	Galatians 2:15-21	Justified through faith
Saturday	Psalm 46	God is our refuge
Sunday	Matthew 5:1-12	The beatitudes

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” John 8:31-32 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Gracious God, keep your faithful people steadfast in your word so that we may receive your freedom and truth through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God of glory and might, with this gift of food we remember the gift of faith that strengthens us and renews us daily through Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord bless you with a relationship to God through faith in Christ Jesus. (Romans 3:24)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- ☒ Talk or think about what it takes to have a strong, ongoing relationship with a friend.
- ☒ What gets in the way of a friendship?
- ☒ Talk or think about what it takes to have a strong, ongoing relationship with Jesus.

DEVOTIONS

Read: John 8:31-36.

It is the power of the word that Jesus brings that gives us freedom from sin. That word is first and foremost Jesus, the Word that became flesh (John 1:14). Christian disciples “continue” or remain in the freeing and saving word of God. The Gospel of John emphasizes that the follower

of Jesus has an ongoing relationship to him by continuing “in my word” (8:31). To know the truth that sets one free is more than to know information; it is to live in a relationship to Jesus through faith. The challenge at the time of the Reformation—and today as well—is for the church to promote a living relationship with God, a relationship that depends on faith in Jesus, the Son of God. We experience this relationship through worship, prayer, reading the Bible, and serving and loving one’s neighbor for the sake of Christ. How do you continue to live each day as a disciple of Jesus?

Pray: Almighty God, help me to trust in Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord and have life in his name. Amen.

SERVICE

Martin Luther wrote, “God does not need your good works, but your neighbor does.” An important theme of the Reformation is that all Christians are called to serve others through their baptisms. Think about friends and neighbors in your community who may need help or support in some way. What good works can you do to serve them in Jesus’ name?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Martin Luther wrote the words for A Mighty Fortress Is Our God and composed the melody. This well-known hymn is based on Psalm 46. After reading this psalm once, make a list of words

from it that help you understand God as a mighty fortress. Read Psalm 46 again and again and pause for a moment when you read a word from your list. After finishing, say, “Amen.”