



*Cross of Calvary*

LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# November



### **November 1 – November 8**

**Sunday 11.01**

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

**All Saints Sunday**

**Monday 11.02**

**Cub Scout Meeting 6:30-7:30 PM**

**Tuesday 11.03**

**Men's Bible Study**

**Wednesday 11.04**

**Confirmation – 7th Grade in person at 6:30 PM**

**Thursday 11.05**

**Outreach Meeting at 5:00 PM**

**Breakfast Club at 7:07 AM**

**Friday 11.06**

**Saturday 11.07**

**Sunday 11.08**

**Worship – Online Indoor service at 9:00 AM & 5:30 PM**

**Equipping Meeting at 7:00 PM**



# Worship Times

**9:00 AM Indoor service (Mask required)**

**5:30 PM Indoor service (Mask required)**

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

**Our Worship needs Song Leaders:** If you would like to lead the hymns at in person worship, please call Jeni or Sue in the office. We would love to hear you and have you lead as we mediate on the words.

**You haven't heard your favorite hymn in a long time?** Please contact someone on the worship committee or call the office to request your favorite hymns. Songs are meaningful and lead us to worship. Help us to include your favorite hymns and worship songs.

**Breakfast Club** for 10-12 graders, meets every Thursday in the fellowship hall for breakfast, devotions and a prayer. Masks required and there is lots of room for distancing.

**Confirmation lessons** (GREAT for ALL AGES) are taught online by Pastor Matt - they are excellent. We are studying the Gospel of Luke. Check them out on Matt Hausken YouTube channel, or our church website under youth/confirmation. Don't wait too long. We are starting week 3! Each video is 20-25 minutes long. Have your Bible and Highlighter handy. Only 7-9 graders need to send in the assignments. (Wink wink!)

**Junior High Gathering** - This year's theme verse is from Isaiah 43:2 "When you walk through the waters, I will be with you." There will be 3-30 minute sessions, each including a youth faith talk, an element of worship, and a talk by speaker Joe Davis. There will also be service and night life options. It will be an online gathering spread throughout the year. Stay posted for details.

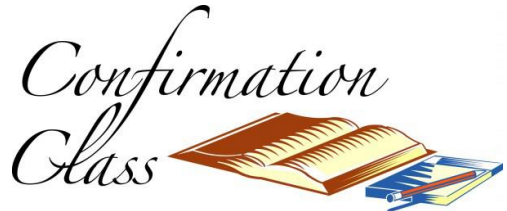
## **November Confirmation Schedule: Wednesday at 6:30 PM**

November 4th: 7th Grade

November 11th: 8th Grade at 5:30 PM

November 18th: 9th Grade

November 25: No Confirmation





## Parish Life Presents

### **“The Shack” a movie night and discussion.**

We will be showing “The Shack”, Sunday Night, November 1 at 6:45 pm in the sanctuary.

It is a movie about a grieving man, who receives a mysterious, personal invitation to meet with God at a place called "The Shack." ... he has an experience of discoveries and redemption. Attendance is limited to 50 people. Bring a comfy

blanket but please leave snacks and beverages at home. Masks required. There will be questions and a rousing discussion following. Come share our stories together.

Sign up online here, <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0548a5af28a3f85-movie> or call Sue at the office. 320-523-1574.

**Women’s study** will begin again November 5, 8:15-9:30am in person and on zoom. We will be using the book “Lazarus Awakening” by Joanna Weaver (author of Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World). We will be finding our place in the heart of God. There are 12 books available at church. Please pick up in the office or call to reserve one and we can deliver. Cost of the books is \$15.

# **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 28 – November 3

Matthew 5:1-12

Jesus Calling Bible Storybook - Jesus the Teacher: The Beatitudes, page 160

Spark Story Bible - The Beatitudes page 264

## **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.

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## **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** A goal of the Care Team at Cross of Calvary has been to develop a Prayer Ministry for our congregation. After reading from Establishing a Prayer Ministry by Bjorn Pedersen, we are including the entire congregation in this ministry rather than limiting it to a telephone chain, or email chain or text chain. A November Prayer Calendar for each of us to post or place in an area in our home, has been placed in the Follower. We can be reminded to pray for others every day and see how the power of prayer works in our lives. We welcome your feedback and hope that you will feel free to email Jeni with your ideas for future calendars.

### **Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University Class**

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

Want to register? Have questions? Contact Sister Sarah Hausken [sarah.hausken@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.hausken@gmail.com)  
320-579-0838.



### **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

### **CCOC Thanksgiving Meal**

Thanksgiving Dinner is just around the corner and DUE TO COVID this year the CCOC will be doing a Thanksgiving Meal Basket. This basket will contain everything needed to make a thanksgiving meal. We are currently asking for donations of boxes of stuffing, boxes of instant potatoes, frozen turkeys, cans of corn, cans of cranberries, and gravy packets. Monetary donations are also welcome (please make checks out to CCOC). Donations can be dropped off at St. Aloysius or Master's Cafe. Thank you for your generosity. (A donation of \$3.00 fund one basket, \$10.00 would fund 3-4 baskets.)

To preorder a basket, please call 523-6318 or email [saraa@ccocmn.org](mailto:saraa@ccocmn.org), the deadline to order is November 15th. Baskets can be picked up on November 22nd at St. Aloysius from 1pm - 3pm. Drop off will be available if needed.



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**

Family of Myra Lindquist  
Family of Virginia Draheim  
Denise Revier – Family  
Gladie Hagen – Family  
Sandy Alton – daughter in law of Sharon & Richard Alton  
Sandy Kubesh – Family & friends  
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  
Tim & Emily Merten family – Angela Cole  
Kathy Johnson – Scott Johnson  
Lesley Sagedahl- Sagedahl Family  
Briar Lippert – Friends & Family  
Darwin – Sonia Grasmon’s brother  
Teri Vogt – Stacey Larson  
ALL persons working tirelessly to help with the Covid-19 pandemic  
Military personal and their families



### **Thanksgiving Donations Needed**

#### **2020 Community Thanksgiving Dinner News....Donations needed:**

The Christian Community Outreach Center (CCOC) Board has decided to cancel the 2020 Thanksgiving Meal. The feeling of community for both diners and volunteers has always been the most important part of the meal and there is no way to replicate the hug at the door this year. So for this year, Thanksgiving Meal Food boxes will be distributed to those requesting them. As the CCOC Board Representative from Cross of Calvary I’ve volunteered our church to provide Stuffing and gravy mix. After some thought, I think it would be best to ask you for cash donations with food items purchased from local businesses. Any excess donations will be donated to the Food shelf. Make checks payable to CCOC (a 501C3 organization). Watch weekly announcements for how to sign up for a food box.

Please send donations to me at:

Karen Flom, 312 So. 7th St, Olivia, MN 56277 or call me at 320-522-1980 and I can pick them up.

**November 1, 2020**  
**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**



**God promises glory and peace  
forevermore.**

HYMN of the Week

Behold the Host Arrayed in White

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

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

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Matthew 5:1-12</b>	<b>The beatitudes</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Revelation 7:9-17</b>	<b>God will wipe away tears</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>1 John 3:1-3</b>	<b>Our hope in God</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Joshua 3:7-17</b>	<b>Crossing over the Jordan River</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Psalms 107:1-7, 33-37</b>	<b>Thanksgiving for deliverance</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>John 11:17-27</b>	<b>The resurrection and life</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Psalms 34:1-10, 22</b>	<b>Honor the Lord</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Matthew 25:1-13</b>	<b>A parable of the ten bridesmaids</b>

**SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK**

“[F]or the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.” Revelation 7:17 (NRSV)

**PRAYERS AND BLESSING**

**A Prayer for the Week:**

Almighty God, we thank you for joining us to the saints throughout the ages through our shepherd, Jesus Christ the Lamb of God. Amen.

**Mealtime Prayer:**

Dear God, we thank you for this food as we taste and see that you are good. Amen. (Psalm 34:8)

**A Blessing to Give:**

May the Lord of glory



## **CARING CONVERSATIONS**

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

- 🕒 Tell or think about someone who has died and who was a loving gift to you.
- 🕒 Describe or think about what being a saint means to you.
- 🕒 What is your vision of heaven and how is that important to your daily life?

## **DEVOTIONS**

Read: Revelation 7:9-17.

The seer of this heavenly vision allows us to imagine the future of loved ones who have died, especially those who have shaped our own lives of faith with their living witness. Most likely they did not experience the kind of persecution envisioned in Revelation, but all lives know the pain and turmoil of daily struggles. In the end, what remains of their—and our—sufferings and disappointments are swept up in a larger reality, one that sees the Lamb at the center. This is Christ, our shepherd, who suffered and died and through whose blood our lives are purified that we all may stand before the throne of God. The truth of the reign of God through the Good Shepherd is that all our sorrows will be wiped away. We look to a future where there are no more tears, no more sadness to overcome. Yes, there is a great victory in life, it is the victory of the Lamb who was slain and now begins his reign of “[b]lessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and power and might . . . to our God forever and ever! Amen” (v. 12). How does this text give you comfort for loved ones who have died? How does it bring comfort for your own life?

Pray: Almighty and living God, we thank you for the promise of life and love and peace for all the saints—past, present, and future—through Christ our shepherd. Amen.

## **SERVICE**

In the Bible, we learn about the disciples, the first followers of Jesus. They are set apart by God to witness to Christ and are called saints. All Christians are saints. In what ways do you witness to Christ through acts of service to others?

## **RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**

All Saints Day is a time to remember all the saints in our lives, both the living and the dead. Take a white, plastic tablecloth, cover the table with it, and write on the tablecloth the names of those who have blessed your life. Place a candle in the center. Light the candle and pray: Dear God, thank you for the witnesses who have touched my life with faith, love, and hope. I thank you for (read the names) through Christ, the Lamb of God. Amen.

## **WEEKLY MILESTONES**

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.