



*Cross of Calvary*

LUTHERAN CHURCH

## Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

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### May 9 – May 16

**Sunday 05.09**

**Worship Service at 9:00 AM**

**Equipping Mtg. at 10:30 AM**

**Monday 05.10**

**Tuesday 05.11**

**Men's Bible Study at 6:30 AM**

**Wednesday 05.12**

**Confirmation 8<sup>th</sup> grade (6-7 PM)**

**Thursday 05.13**

**Breakfast Club at 7:07 AM**

**Women's Bible study at 8:15 AM**

**Flower Delivery from 12-4 PM**

**Friday 05.14**

**2021 Spring Flower pick up – 9-6**

**Haiti donation due!!**

**Saturday 05.15**

**Sunday 05.16**

**Worship Service at 9:00AM**

**Communion**

Hello everyone!

I, Makenna Steffel, am going on a medical mission trip to Haiti May 22<sup>nd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>. I am currently attending Northern State University as a biology major and have the goal of attending medical school after I graduate. Going on a medical mission trip has been a dream of mine. While I am in Haiti, I will be with a medical team serving in a mobile clinic. About 60% of the residents in Haiti live below the poverty line. I am excited to be able to use my abilities to help the people of Haiti, as well as growing spiritually. We are required to bring certain supplies to enable us to provide medical care at no cost to the people of Haiti. This list can be found below. If you would like to make a monetary donation or a supply donation, please contact me at 320-522-2371. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance for the support and prayers! Donations can be dropped off at Cross of Calvary church, deadline is May 14<sup>th</sup> for all donation.

Thank you,

Makenna Steffel

**Tier 3: (CNA, Students, Non-medical support staff)**

Infant Liquid Vitamins (Poly-Vi-Sol)	6 Bottles
Children's Multivitamins	2 Bottles (1000 CL)
Acetaminophen 500mg Tabs	2 Bottles (1000 CL)
Ferrous Sulfate 325mg Tabs	2 Bottles (100 CL)
Tussih DM	3 Bottles
Miconazole Vaginal Cream with Inserts	10 Tubes
Clotrimazole Topical Cream	10 Tubes
Dry Eye Drops	10 Bottles
Snack Size Zip Lock Bags	5 Boxes (100 CL)
Pregnancy Tests	10 Tests
Hand Sanitizer	3 Bottles
Rubber Bands	2 Bags
Maalox	1 Bottle
Hydrocortisone Cream	10 Tubes
4x4 Gauze	1 Box
Granola Bars	1 Box
Pringles	3 Cans
Peanut Butter	3 Jars
Ensure	1 Can

By bringing these medications and supplies you are enabling us to provide medical care at no cost to the people of Haiti, the Dominican Republic, and Guatemala. Thank you for your generosity.

## **2021 Spring Flower Sales pickup**

**Spring Flower Sale: If you ordered flowers, pick up day will be Friday, May 14, 9am-6pm. We have an amazing team who has worked on this fundraiser for a few years. (Tara Amberg, Amanda Malvin, and Bobbi Kopel) We were not able to use the same floral company, but they took the effort to find a place that was up to the task! Thank you for all the work done to help raise money for camp and other church programming.**



### **The ELCA National Youth Gathering theme is “Boundless**

God beyond measure” with the theme verse from Ephesians 3:19 “I want you to know all about Christ’s love, although it is too wonderful to be measured. Then your lives will be filled with all that God is.” It will be attended by 30,000 youth in Minneapolis on July 24-28, 2022. Students in class of 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026 are welcome to register. Mass Gatherings, Service learning, Synod Day and Interactive learning space will be part of the event programming. Financial assistance applications open July 22, 2021 and Early Bird Registration is \$350 with a \$150 nonrefundable down payment. This will be due by November 10, 2021. Here is the link to learn more. <https://www.elca.org/YouthGathering/About/Overview>

**2021 Grads and older can volunteer to help with the gathering.** Volunteer Corps applications open on May 22, 2021 and close on July 22, 2021. For more info, go to <https://www.elca.org/YouthGathering/Attend/Volunteer> <https://www.elca.org/>

**YOUTH SUMMER ACTIVITIES**



\*Here is the link to register for Day Camp with the Green Lake Staff at Cross of Calvary! It is for youth who have completed grades K-6. Cost is \$40. It will be June 28- July 1, Monday through Thursday from 1-5pm. No evening meal will be served this year, but we will serve a snack. We will be ty-dyeing on Tuesday!!! What could be better than camp that comes to us? Sign up by June 20th. <https://forms.gle/3HBp75H4aiYkzDtCA>

We are going on a Canoe Trip with our 7-12 graders and adults from July 12-15 leaving from Twin Lakes Public Access north of Menahga, to Little White Dog Landing north of Staples. We will sleep in tents at campgrounds along the Shell and Crow Wing Rivers. Traveling with us will be Our Saviors Lutheran from Montevideo and our leader Quentin Markfort. Cost is \$150 and you can use your family church account. This will include food, tent, and canoe. There is a packing list and itinerary if you are interested. Please call Jeni if you want to participate! Deadline to sign up is July 1.



**Watch the calendar for outdoor movie nights,  
game nights and camp fires this summer!!!**

**Adopt a Grandparent is coming your way.** If you are interested in being adopted or adopting, please email, text, or call Jeni at 320-579-0406, [jeniskeie@gmail.com](mailto:jeniskeie@gmail.com).

# **Cross of Calvary Faith @ Home/Sunday School**

## **Faith @ Home Weekly Bible Story**

May 10- 16

Luke 24: 50-53

Spark Story Bible – The Ascension, page 498

Jesus Calling Bible Storybook – Jesus Goes to Heaven, page 226

## **Church Cookbook Project**



Dear Cross of Calvary Members,

In years past, Cross of Calvary has put together a cookbook of recipes from its members. Since 2020 has been a crazy year and we've been spending more time at home, I figure it's time to make an updated cookbook. In this new cookbook we would include old recipes from the past cookbooks and we would also like to include recipes from our new members. Feel free to send in recipes, old or new! All recipes will be included. If you'd like to submit recipes,

email your submissions to Olivia Hanson - [ojhanson0220@gmail.com](mailto:ojhanson0220@gmail.com) if you'd like to help put the cookbook together or have suggestions, text or call 320-400-9005. Thank you! - Olivia Hanson

**Deadline is the end of May**

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

**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.

## **Address for Susie Meyer**

**Chateau Waters**

**Room #909**

**990 19th Street**

**Sartell, MN 56303**

**Susie will most likely be in the hospital until mid-May.**

### **Prayer Request**

Family of James McDowell

Mallory Klaes – Teeny Kadelbach

Rachel Kadelbach – Teeny Kadelbach

Sandy Kubesh – Family and Friends

Kirk Toltzmann – Cheryl Mallak & family

Merlene Bratsch – Family & Friends

Justin Meyer – Mike Benson's Uncle

Larry Baumgartner – Family & Friends

David Lindquist – Family & Friends

Jean Maresch – Family & Friends

Susie Meyer – Family & Friends

Chet Boen – Family & Friends

Donna Greenwell

Lesley Sagedahl- Sagedahl Family

ALL persons working tirelessly to help with the Covid-19 pandemic

Military personal and their families



## **Bird Island and the American Red Cross are hosting an upcoming blood drive**

Site: Our Savior's Lutheran Church

Address: 510 Dogwood, Bird Island, MN, 55310

Room Name: Hall

Date: Mon June 7, 2021

Time: 01:00 PM - 07:00 PM

Blood Program Leader Name: Jill Wohnoutka

Blood Program Leader Phone Number: 507-430-0569

# Cross of Calvary Graduating Class of 2021



## Graduates

Taylor Amsden  
Noah Boen  
Ashley Frank  
Caeden Gluesing  
Will Hanson  
Leif Hausken  
Andrew Holland  
Maddison Jensen  
Carson Kubesh  
Ella Mages  
Drew Sagedahl  
Brady Stovern  
Benjamin Whited  
Kya Young

## Parents

Chad & Gena Amsden  
Brian & Dana Boen  
Dale & Lowanda Frank  
Corey & Dawn Gluesing  
Chris & Jill Hanson  
Matt & Sarah Hausken  
Katy Holland & Matt Holland  
Ryan & Michelle Jensen  
Bobbi Jo Abrahamson & Scott Kubesh  
Craig & Becky Mages  
Daren & Melissa Sagedahl  
Derek & Tami Stovern  
Kevin & Sandra Whited  
Dennis & Mandi Young

Individual Graduation parties will be posted at a later date.



# May 9, 2021

## Sixth Sunday of Easter



*Love one another.*

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	John 15:9-17	Love one another
Monday	Acts 10:44-48	Gentiles receive the Holy Spirit
Tuesday	1 John 5:1-6	Faith conquers the world
Wednesday	Romans 12:9-21	Love with sincerity
Thursday	Luke 24:44-53	Jesus ascends to heaven
Friday	Leviticus 19:17-18, 33-36	Ritual and moral holiness
Saturday	Psalms 98	Make a joyful noise
Sunday	John 17:6-19	Christ's prayer for his disciples

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. John 15:12 (NRSV)

### PRAYERS AND BLESSING

#### A Prayer for the Week:

Gracious and loving God, give us the faith and courage to love one another as you have loved us through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Mealtime Prayer:

Almighty God, we thank you for this food; may it strengthen us to love others as you have loved us through Christ Jesus. Amen.

#### A Blessing to Give:

May your love for God and one another give you joy that knows no end.



## **CARING CONVERSATIONS**

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

- What makes it easy to love others? What makes it hard?
- How does Jesus' unconditional love show us the importance of loving others?
- How does Jesus' life, death, and resurrection show us what true love is all about?

## **DEVOTIONS**

**Read: John 15:9-17.**

This passage intimately connects a relationship of Jesus and “the Father” with Jesus’ own followers. The relationship is woven together through the language of commandments and love, and the two are brought together in verse 12: “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.” The Gospel of John does not have the “Great Commandment” dialog as in Matthew, Mark, and Luke. However, the theme here is the same: love God and love neighbor. The emphasis in John is that love is the way to have an enduring relationship with God and with brothers and sisters in the faith, those whom Jesus calls “friends.” The word for friends in Greek is “loved ones.” Love—not judgment and ridicule—is how Jesus relates to us. It is how we, as Jesus’ friends, are to approach the world so that our joy may be complete. How does love change our relationship with others? How does a commitment to love others change us?

Pray: Loving God, we thank you for showing us the depth of your love for us through the life, death, resurrection, and ascension of your Son and our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

## **SERVICE**

In the Bible, love is more than an emotion. Love is a commitment to care for others with our whole being. Conflict can get in the way of this love. Bringing God into our conflicted relationships can be a difference maker. This week think of those you have a conflict or tensions with, and pray to God for a clean and loving heart to reconcile your relationships.

## **RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**

The theme this week is “Love one another.” May 9 is observed as Mother’s Day in the United States. Reflect on the women in your life who have loved and cared for you.

Think or talk about what you learned from them and how you show love to others.

Pray: Dear God, thank you for your love. Thank you for [name women who have cared for you]. Give us courage to love all people as you have loved us. Amen.