



Cross of Calvary

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Cross of Calvary Lutheran Church

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June 27 – July 5

Sunday 06.27

Worship Service at 9:00 AM

Monday 06.28

Library in use in the evening

Tuesday 06.29

Men's Bible Study at 6:30 AM

Wednesday 06.30

Dorcas Bible Study 9:30

Thursday 07.01

Women's Bible study at 8:15

Friday 07.02

Saturday 07.03

Sunday 07.04

Worship Service at 9:00AM

Monday 07.05

Office Closed

Day Camp June 28 – July 1





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>

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Announcement: Susie Meyer is now recovering at home. She would like to thank everyone for the cards and prayers. She is very grateful for her faith family and friends!

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

Church Cookbook Project Update!!



The Cross of Calvary cookbook is underway with 100 pages of recipes so far! Thanks to Olivia Hanson for compiling and Lyn Knoke for assisting. If you haven't sent yours yet, you have until June 30 to email your contributions to Olivia at ojhanson0220@gmail.com. The cookbooks will be available in the fall.

Thank you! - Olivia Hanson **Deadline is the end of June**

Update on Livestream Project for the Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall

The materials have been ordered! The company is waiting on a few backordered items. Once the items are all in, they will be scheduling a time that works for the church to set everything up. The church is looking at the end of July or beginning of August. The set up will not interfere with any church activities and services.

We are so grateful to have this opportunity to improve the ability to reach our faith community with better quality livestream and much, much more!



2021 Confirmation Retreats

7th Grade – July 7th (10:00 – 5:00)

9th Grade – August 5th (1:00 – 9:00)

A letter has been mailed to all families.

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

Homemade Ice Cream Social

Zion United Methodist Church in Danube

Wednesday; July 7th: Serving begins at 5:00 PM

Menu: Homemade Ice Cream, Pies, Brownies, Sundaes, Root Beer Floats and Ice Cream Cones

There will be outdoor seating, drive up service and take outs will be available

Proceeds will go to support our mission funds.

YOUTH SUMMER ACTIVITIES

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.



Faithlife

An email from Cross of Calvary was sent with information about a program called Faithlife.

The program is new to Cross of Calvary and will be used as a directory, plus much more. We are asking that you go into the email update your personal information.

We are planning on using Faithlife to better stay in contact with all our members.

If you have any questions, please call 320-523-1574.

Thank you Cross of Calvary staff.

Prayer Request

Deanna Staples – Daughter of Kenny & Deb Person

Autum Stryker – Family and Friends

Nancy Hague - Friends

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

Lesley Sagedahl- Sagedahl Family

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

Military personal and their families



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.

June 27, 2021

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



Healing and salvation begin now.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Mark 5:21-43	Jesus heals and raises to life
Monday	Lamentations 3:22-33	There is still hope
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 8:7-15	Generous giving
Wednesday	Acts 4:23-31	Believers pray for boldness
Thursday	Isaiah 57:14-19	The Lord helps the helpless
Friday	Luke 4:31-41	Jesus heals many people
Saturday	Psalms 30	God turns mourning into dancing
Sunday	Mark 6:1-13	Jesus sends the twelve

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

[Jesus] said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.” Mark 5:34 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Come Lord Jesus, in the midst of difficult times touch us with your love and send us your peace and hope in our daily lives. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, we thank you for this food and pray that all may receive food to live, serve, and love you and others through Jesus, the great healer.

Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God bless you to know the saving grace given to you through Jesus Christ.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- When have you or someone you know had difficult times? Explain.
- Where do you find comfort when you are going through difficult times?
- Not all illnesses are cured and not all difficulties are resolved. How has faith in God eased your pain or that of a friend's pain during an illness?

DEVOTIONS - Read: Mark 5:21-43.

On the way to restore Jairus' daughter to life, Jesus realizes that healing power had gone from him to someone in the crowd. He inquires who touched him to receive the healing. A woman comes forward and explains that for 12 years she had suffered with hemorrhages (a flow of blood) that did not cease. Not only did it make her weak, it made her ritually unclean and unfit to be with others. In other words, not only did she experience physical suffering, she experienced isolation and social suffering. She was desperate and thought she might be healed through touching Jesus' garment. Jesus' first word of response was to call her "daughter," that is, someone who belongs to the community. He then adds, "your faith has made you well" (v. 34). The Greek text can equally be translated as "your faith has saved you." The same word for healing is the word for being saved. Salvation and healing begin for this woman because of her faith, a faith borne out of desperation. Her faith was not an expression of confidence and trust; it was simply an openness to hope against hope. With Jesus' response, she is brought into community and healed. When has faith felt more like taking a risk than a show of confidence and trust?

Pray: Healing God, we thank you that you touch us with your saving grace now and always through Christ Jesus, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SERVICE

The woman who touched Jesus' clothes and was healed was an outcast among her own people. Her illness meant that others saw her as unclean and avoided her. Who are the people in your community that are often looked down upon or left out? What act of kindness can you do for someone who may be feeling left out in some way?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Appropriate touch is a way of expressing love and care for others. Research has shown that as humans we need the touch of others to stay healthy in body, mind and spirit. Holding hands while praying and blessing someone with the sign of the cross on their hand or forehead are forms of a healthy touch. Hold hands while praying the Lord's Prayer. Then bless one another:

May God bless you to know that Jesus has touched you with peace today.