Worship Times Sunday: 9:00 AM **Coffee Hour** Sunday: 10:00 AM Sunday school Sunday: 10:00AM **Building Hours Mon-Thurs** 8:30 - 7:00 Fri-Sun 8:30-2:00 **Office Hours** Mon, Tues, & Thurs 8:30 - 3:00 Wednesday 8:30-4:00 Friday 8:30 - 2:00 **Pastor** Matthew Hausken hauskenmatt8@gmail.com **Parish Minister** Jeni Skeie jeniskeie@gmail.com Admin. Assist. Sue Altmann crossofcalvary@gmail.com crossofcalvary.net **Custodian** Craig Boen



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March 27 - April 3

Sunday 3.27

Sunday school at 10:00 AM Coffee Hour at 10:00 AM Altar flowers are placed in loving memory of Sonia Grasmon.

Monday 03.28

Tuesday 03.29

Wednesday 03.30

Thursday 03.31

Friday 04.01

Saturday 04.02

Sunday 04.03

Ruth Bible Study at 1:30 PM Library in use in the evening

Worship Service at 9:00 AM

Men's Bible Study 6:30 & 7:00 AM

Women's Bible Study at 9:00 AM Dorcas Bible Study at 9:30 AM Santa Closet Mtg. 1:30 PM WOW 3:15 - 5:00 PM 1st Communion Class - Grade 5 Soup Supper – 5:30 – 6:30 PM Confirmation - 6:20 PM Lenten Service at 7:00 PM Game Night after Lenten service

> Breakfast Club 7:07 AM **Ouilters**

Sr. High Youth Gathering - cancelled

Wedding - off site

Worship Service at 9:00 AM Communion Sunday school at 10:00 AM Coffee Hour at 10:00 AM



Cross of Calvary Soup Suppers

Wednesdays: March 2nd thru April 6th Time: 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM Free will donations!

All are Welcome!!

UNICEF: donation forms for giving are on "The Door"

The past eight years of conflict in Ukraine have already inflicted profound and lasting harm to children. With the escalation of the conflict, the immediate and very real threat to Ukraine's children has grown. Homes, schools, orphanages, and hospitals have all come under attack. Civilian infrastructure like water and sanitation facilities have been hit, leaving millions without access to safe water. UNICEF is working with partners to provide vital humanitarian supplies, and to reach vulnerable children and families with essential services, including health, education, protection, water and sanitation.

<u>Sites to read more:</u>

https://twitter.com/UNICEF_UA?ref_src=twsrc%5Egoogle%7Ctwcamp%5Eserp%7Ctwgr%5Eauthor https://www.unicef.org/emergencies/war-ukraine-pose-immediate-threat-children

<u>Video of World Central Kitchen</u>

https://abcnews.go.com/GMA/News/video/world-renowned-chef-jose-andres-front-lines-ukraine-83268392

Reminder: Use your Thrivent dollars before the end March.

April Worship Assistants

Ushers: Nate Cole, Daren Sagedahl, Dave Altmann Acolytes: John Morse & Carson Howe Sound Board/Clicker: Ava Stratton Communion Helper: Keith Larson Altar Guild: Stacey Larson, Sarah Iverson, Tara Amberg

Bible Studies

Men's Bible study: Tuesday mornings at 6:30 & 7:00 AM Women's Bible study: Wednesday morning at 9:00 AM Dorcas Bible study: last Wednesday of month at 9:30 am/Fellowship Hall Ruth Bible study: 4th Monday of month at 1:30pm/church library



On March 31st, Florence Malecek will be 100 years old. If you wish to send her a card this is her address: 205 SE Elm Ave Rm 602 Renville, MN. 56284



Dear members of Cross of Calvary,

Coffee hour has some open sign-ups.

If you would be willing to make something, but not able to serve, please sign up and put it in the comment that you will leave the treats at church or in the church freezer. This is very much appreciated!!!

Here is an online sign-up. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0548A5AF28A3F85-cross

Peace to you, Jeni Skeie

Women's Bible Study will be starting a new book for Lent. We will meet on Wednesday morning at 9am. The book is by Max Lucado called "He Chose the Nails". It seemed like a good one for Lent. If there are other people interested, I would love to add an early morning or an evening time. Cost: \$15.00 Please talk to Jeni if that would work for you.



March Confirmation Schedule

March 30th Class at 6:20 PM & Lenten service at 7:00 PM

Jesus Justice League

Jesus Justice League (1-3 graders) Karen Flom will meet you at the doors by the preschool playground to walk to church. Come for some fun, food, and learning! First Thursdays, April 7th and May 5th

<u>WOW</u>

WOW (4-6 graders) will meet on March 30th from 3:00-5:00. Walk to church after school for snack, games and a story from the Bible!

April 6th – NO WOW!!



<u>Camp House</u> offers a week of camp for confirmation age youth (finished 7-9). I have reserved 8 spots for June 12-16. Talk to me - Jeni - if you are interested. Talk to Cree Garcia, who attended last year, if you have

questions too. Check it out at gllm.org.

Talk to Jeni if you are wondering what to do! All the options are at gllm.org 2022 Summer Camp



DAY CAMP is where Camp comes to YOU! It will be at Cross of Calvary June 27-30 from 1-5pm each day. It is for youth who have finished Kindergarten - 6th grade. Cost is \$40 with a \$100 cap for families. **Online sign-up is coming!**

Prayers for ...

Ken Ziesmer - Family & Friends Liz Elfering – Family & Friends Hadlea O'Halloran - Carol Senkyr Marlene Bratsch - Friends & Family **Clifford Metteer - Family** Jon Hackman Family Family of Trevor Berger Scott Metteer - Family Angela Metteer – Family Carol Horrmann - Friends & Family Paula Sing – Lynnette Blem Lyn Tesch - Family & Friends Pat Aalderks - Family & Friends Gloria Franzen – Friends & Family **Ric Aalderks – Friends & Family** Rick Alton – Sharon & Richard Alton's son Brandon Ochs – Family & Friends Jerry Senkyr - Carol Senkyr Candy Kath - Pam Olson's sister Pat Mahrer - Pam Olson's brother Laurie Hogberg – Family & Friends Trevor Solem – Friends and Family Chet Boen - Family & Friends Tim & Emily Merten family – Angela Cole Lesley Sagedahl-Sagedahl Family



Renville County Food Shelf

The food shelf is looking for volunteers. Please call for more information on volunteering. 320-523-5339

2022 SPRING FLOWER SALES



With more changes...because...well...everything is changing. The biggest change is <u>all ordering will be done ONLINE</u>

An email will be sent to all families with pictures and pricing!

To ORDER log on to: www.gertensfundraising.com

STORE ID: 338

Please remember to note the youth you are buying from in order for them to receive the profits

ALL ORDERS DUE BY APRIL 7th

The online store will be shut down on this date

FLOWER PICKUP

WEDNESDAY MAY 4TH

9:00 am - 6:00pm

We encourage sellers to pick up all of their orders to distribute

All flowers must be pre-ordered ONLINE

No more filling out forms, collecting money or turning anything in!!!! There will not be any extra flowers available for purchase

Committee Members Contact Information:

Amanda Malvin	(320) 579-1515	bamalvin@msn.com
Bobbi Kopel	(320) 522-1163	bobbiloowho@hotmail.com
Tara Amberg	(320) 444-0129	tamberg@rccbi.com

All proceeds from their individual sales will go into your family youth account. This is a wonderful opportunity to raise money for things like ski trips, bible camp, and youth gatherings!

Moments of Gratitude

Please contact the Equipping Committee if you have a moment of gratitude you ~gratitude

would like to share with the congregation.

(Amanda Malvin, Darin Ditterich, Eric Skeie and Pastor Matt)

2022 Lenten Season calendar

March 2nd – Ash Wednesday (Services at noon & 7:00 PM) March 9th – Lenten service at 7:00 PM March 16th – Lenten service at 7:00 PM March 30th – Lenten service at 7:00 PM April 6th – Lenten service at 7:00 PM April 10th – Palm Sunday service at 9:00 AM Morning Matins - April 11th – 15th at 7:00 AM April 14th – Maundy Thursday at noon & Seder Meal at 7:00 PM April 15th – Good Friday at 7:00 PM



March 27, 2022 Fourth Sunday in Lent



Confessing our need for God brings joy.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32	Parable of the forgiving father
Monday	Joshua 5:9-12	Passover at Gilgal
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 5:16-21	The ministry of reconciliation
Wednesday	Psalm 103:1-12	Thanksgiving for
		God's goodness
Thursday	Genesis 45:1-28	Joseph reveals himself
Friday	Luke 15:3-7	The parable of the
		lost sheep
Saturday	Psalm 32	The joy of forgiveness
Sunday	John 12:1-8	Mary anoints Jesus at Bethany

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD. Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart. Psalm 32:10-11 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, we thank you for your love that reunites us to you through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Be present at our table, Lord; be here and everywhere adored; your mercies bless and grant that we, may strengthen for your service be. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the God of grace bless you with the joy of forgiveness and new life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

I Talk or think about a time you forgave a person or a person forgave you. How did you feel?

2 How does faith in God help you resolve differences you have with others?

DEVOTIONS

Read: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21.

Recognizing our sin and need for God is foundational to the Christian faith. Lent is a time to acknowledge our sin, our separation from God. As the psalmist notes, "Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven" (Psalm 32:1). Naming our need for forgiveness and receiving forgiveness leads to joy. The prodigal son experiences the surprise of his total acceptance and the waiting father experiences the delight of the return of a son who had been lost (Luke 15:20-32). We also experience the joy of the truth that in Christ we have been reconciled—reunited—back to God. We have been given the life-giving ministry and joy of telling the good news of God's reconciling power in Christ to all people. The challenge, of course, is that, like the older brother in the parable of the prodigal son, we may not want God's love and undeserved kindness to bless people who we might see as less deserving than ourselves.

Discuss: How does forgiveness lead to joy?

Pray: Dear God, help us to be people of joy, glad that you forgive us and reconcile us to you and to all you create through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how might you bring joy to someone others see as less deserving?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Lent is a time to focus on prayer. We all have photo albums, whether printed or digital. Not all of our friends and family may know of God's reconciling power and forgiveness that leads to joy. While looking at pictures of family and friends, think about your relationships. Pause and pray for that person. Light a candle and say: Jesus Christ is the light of the world. The light no darkness can overcome. Close with the Lord's Prayer.