



# Cross of Calvary

LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**September 25 – October 2**

## **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

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## **Parish Minister**

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## **Admin. Assist.**

Sue Altmann

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## **Custodian**

Craig Boen

Sunday 09.25

Worship Service at 9:00 AM

Bible gifts to 3rd & 7th Grade

Coffee Hour at 10:00 AM

Confirmation Sunday: services at 11:00 AM

Fall Theological – Jeni & Pastor Matt gone

Monday 09.26

Ruth Bible Study at 1:30 in the church library

Fall Theological – Jeni & Pastor Matt gone

Tuesday 09.27

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

Church Carpets cleaned

Fall Theological – Jeni & Pastor Matt gone

Wednesday 09.28

Women's Bible at 9:00 AM

WOW 3-5 PM

Confirmation: 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Thursday 09.29

Breakfast Club at 7:07 PM

3-4<sup>th</sup> grade meet: 3-5 PM

Friday 09.30

BOLD Preschool screening 8 AM-3 PM

Saturday 10.01

Fellowship Hall in use from 12-3 PM

Sunday 10.02

Worship Services: 9:00

Sunday School Teacher Orientation

Coffee Hour at 10:00 AM

Rally Sunday

God's Work, Our Hands

Baby Shower 12-3:30

## **September Worship Assistants**

Ushers: Daren Sagedahl, Brian Kingery & Dan Gross

Acolytes: Charlie Morse & Connor Blad

Clicker: Sadie Gross

Camera: Jack Gross

Communion Helper: Scott Johnson

Altar Guild: Stacey Larson

**"God's work. Our hands." Sunday**



## **"God's work. Our hands."**

Cross of Calvary is participating in

God's Work. Our Hands. Day of Service, Sunday, October 2!  
We'll start with a short devotion at church at 12:45 pm,  
then do service projects in our community from 1-3 pm.  
Please sign up to help with a particular project. We may  
be adding more projects. All ages are welcome!

<https://signup.com/go/nzvpbtbC>

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3rd and 7th grade bibles will be handed out on Sunday, September 25 at the 9am worship service. Parents will come forward with their confirmand and the Bible will be handed to parents, to put in the students hands.

It is symbolic of the promises made in Baptism.

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## **Confirmation Information**

**September 28, 6:30-7:30pm**, first class for 7th grade.

**October 5, 6:30-7:30pm**. 8th-9th graders will begin class

**October 12<sup>th</sup>**, 7th grade

**October 19<sup>th</sup>**, No Confirmation – MEA weekend

**October 26<sup>th</sup>**, 8 & 9 Grades

Class will continue every other week. A Schedule will be handed out at orientation.

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## **Elementary Youth Programs**

We have made some changes this year. Our groups have gotten too big and so we are creating a new group.

Wow will now be 5-6 grade and meet 2x per month on Wednesdays.

Jesus Justice League will be 1-2nd grade meeting 1x per month on Thursdays

We will add a new group for 3-4th grade also meeting 1x per month on Thursdays- and they are excited to come up with a new name for their group.



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Sunday school begins on Rally day, October 2 with worship at 9am and Sunday school at 10am. We will have teacher installation during the worship time with teachers standing in place for a blessing.

Dale Dahl – Tami Steffel’s brother  
Glenn Hegna \_ Family & Friends  
Jeff Keltgen – Family & Friends  
Michelle Hanson – Friend of the Greg & Kathy  
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Joan Rosenow – Family & Friends  
Bob Wittman – Family & Friends  
Ava Koep – Friends & Family  
Chrissy Boen – Family & Friends  
Liz Elfering – Family & Friends  
Clifford Metteer - Family  
Jon Hackman Family  
Carol Horrmann – Friends & Family  
Lyn Tesch – Family & Friends



Pat Aalderks – Family & Friends  
Ric Aalderks – Friends & Family  
Brandon Ochs – Family & Friends  
Candy Kath – Pam Olson’s sister  
Laurie Hogberg – Family & Friends  
Trevor Solem – Friends and Family  
Jesse Tongen – Family & Friends

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**Greetings fellow C of C members!** With the hot days we have been experiencing it may seem impossible to be thinking of our church Snowflake Bazaar, but it’s only a few months away. I am sending out the plea again that the committee is still looking for individuals to take over this awesome event. If we do not have anyone interested, the event may not happen this year. This bazaar has raised money over the years to pay for many expenses that come up, and to make needed church improvements. Please contact me (Dana Boen) at 320-894-7885 or message me on Facebook and I can answer any questions you may have. Thanks so much for your consideration and enjoy the rest of our Minnesota summer!

**St. Aloysius Catholic Church** in Oliva is having their annual Fall Dinner on October 9, 2022. We will be offering dine in or take out from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm. The menu includes fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing, candied carrots, coleslaw, cranberries, dinner roll, pumpkin dessert. Cost is \$15.00 for all meals. All are invited.

**Ruth Bible Study: Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM – meet in the church library.**

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**Granite Falls Lutheran Church Fall Bazaar**

Thursday, October 13 from 11:00 to 1:00

-Soup and Sandwich-

-Soups, Bars, Hot Ham & cheese Sandwich

- Crafts & Quilts

Produce & Home Canned Products, Cards & Baked Goods



*Many Hands Lighten The Load...Where Could You Help?*

**Church committees:** We are looking for people to use their gifts and talents on committees at church. During the next couple months, there will be descriptions of each committee and a place to sign up or a contact person you can call for more information. All committees are looking for members; if anyone is interested please contact the church office at [crossofcalvary@gmail.com](mailto:crossofcalvary@gmail.com) or 320-523-1574

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**Frozen meals:** Do you know someone who could use a meal? There are frozen meals at church for those in need. Come talk to Jeni or Sue or Pastor Matt if you would like to deliver a meal to someone. 320-523-1574 church office

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**Coffee hour:** We would like to assign this year- with the hopes that all families will serve once with 2 other families. It's like "supper" at home - it's a time to visit with our church family members and if we each take a turn to serve, we create a time of fellowship for everyone where no one person does all the work. If you would like to choose your time to serve, sign up on the church board or call the church office. 320-523-1574

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**Youth Band** - let's get this going again. We will practice some Wednesday nights from 7:45-8:30pm. Any youth in grades 7-12 are welcome. Sign up on the youth board. Do you want to learn how to play guitar? Jeni has 3 guitars that are available for loan and she is willing to help get you started. Please call if you are interested!



## **During September we pray for.....**

1. We pray for our church staff as they prepare for fall activities. Guide us to share our time and talents as needed.
2. We pray for all athletes as they begin a new season.....that they will honor You by their sportsmanship and hard work. Please keep them safe.
3. As families enjoy this last summer weekend, please bless their time together.
4. Bless those who gather to worship you whether in the church, in nature or in their places of residence.
5. Today we thank you for Labor----we honor those whose Labor enriches the lives of others and we thank you for those who show their love for you through their careers.
6. We pray for those who need Your healing hand and for their caregivers. We especially hold up those who are on our weekly prayer list
7. Be with our Confirmation students, their parents and their leaders as they gather for Confirmation orientation.
8. We pray for those facing food insecurity. Help us help them through the Food Self, LSS or any other means.
9. We pray for those who labor with harvest or other seasonal jobs. Please keep them safe.
10. We thank you for shelter. Please inspire us to assist those without secure shelter.
11. Today we bless backpacks and give Bibles to 3rd & 7th Graders. Please watch over our students and their families.
12. As our young people are settling into their college routine, we pray you'll be with them as they face new decisions about things large and small.
13. We pray for unity...for our country, for our community and in our relationships.
14. Dear Lord, help me to find happiness in forgetting myself and trying to bring help to others.
15. We pray for those struggling with Addiction.
16. Father, I am thankful that your love is steadfast.
17. We pray for those who suffer abuse.
18. Lord I give thanks for Your presence in my life and in the lives of the people I hold dear.
19. Thank you for new life and for the babies in our church, our families and our community.
20. We pray for those struggling with their mental health and we pray for their families, friends and caregivers. Help us to love and understand each other.
21. Today our 5th & 6th graders begin their WOW season. Be with them and the adults involved in this ministry that they have grow not only their faith, but their relationships with each other.
22. Help our 1st graders who join with 2nd graders today in the first day of Jesus Justice League. Help our leaders and the older students make those attending for the first time feel your love.
23. Lord help me to show kindness and love when feeling frustration and impatience.
24. We pray that we may be able to listen and hear Your voice. Help us to listen to those around us and hear them.
25. Today our 10th graders confirm their faith. We pray that their faith journey will continue and that the members of the church will be available to help them on that journey.
26. We pray for those who have experienced betrayal in their lives. Help them to trust again.
27. Lord help us to love what is right and hate what is wrong.
28. We pray for those in assisted living, LTC and group homes.
29. As our 3rd & 4th graders meet for their first after school event. Help them find an identity for their group and help them to love and support each other throughout the year.
30. Thank you Lord, for the change in seasons. For the crisp fall mornings and the sunny afternoons. We celebrate Your beautiful creation.

# September 25, 2022

## Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Real life is filled with faith and generosity.

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Luke 16:19-31	Poor Lazarus and the rich man
Monday	Amos 6:1a, 4-7	Judgment for a self-indulgent life
Tuesday	1 Timothy 6:6-19	The good fight of faith
Wednesday	Proverbs 11:24-25	Be generous
Thursday	Luke 21:1-4	The widow's offering
Friday	Acts 20:32-35	Paul says goodbye to the church
Saturday	Psalms 146	Praise for God's help
Sunday	Luke 17:5-10	Faith the size of a mustard seed

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

*They [the rich] are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life. 1 Timothy 6:18-19 (NRSV)*

### PRAYERS AND BLESSING

#### A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, help us to be sensitive to the hurts and pains of others that we may lead content lives, generous with what we have for the sake of Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Mealtimes Prayer:

Bless, O Lord, this food to our use and us to your service. And keep us ever mindful of the needs of others. In Jesus name, amen.

#### A Blessing to Give:

May the God who watches over the needy, watch over you with generosity. (Psalm 146:9)

### CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- ☑ When have you helped a stranger in need? What did you do?
- ☑ What gets in the way of reaching out to others with compassion and generosity?

### DEVOTIONS

#### Read: Luke 16:19-31.

Why could the rich man not see and respond to the poor and diseased Lazarus who lies at the rich man's gate? What is it about consumption and wealth (v. 19) that can lead to complacency and a lack of concern at the demise of others? Amos calls it out and judges the people of Judah who were not grieved by the destruction of the northern kingdom of Israel (Amos 6:6). Like the rich man, the people of Judah did not seem to care about the destruction of Israel. The people were content with their life of leisure. The rich man in Luke could not see—or at least care about—the needs of Lazarus nor, it appears, to “listen to Moses and the prophets” (v. 31). The good news is that what is needed for life and faith is not wealth but

the word of God that is already in front of us. A living faith receives and responds to God's message of compassion and care for the needy. Jesus embodies and lifts up a life that is able to show the love that the rich man was unable to provide Lazarus. The rich man's insensitivity created a loss for him as well as for Lazarus.

**Discuss:** How does God open your eyes to see the needs of others?

**Pray:** Loving God, give us eyes of faith to see the needs of our neighbor and the desire to care for others as you care for us each and every day through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **SERVICE**

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, what can you do to help and care for someone in need?

### **RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**

Giving is a response to God's generosity. Walk around your house and look in closets and drawers. Make a list of things you no longer use or need. Think or talk about who may appreciate and need them and consider taking them to organizations who can give them to those in need. Conclude your time reflecting on the theme for this week, and then pray:

Lord, fill me with faith and generosity. Amen.

# Confirmation

## Class of 2022

### **Alison Elaine Amsden**

Parents: Ben & Polly Amsden  
Godparents: Chad Amsden & Heather Gee  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Philippians 4:6  
Baptismal Date: August 8, 2006

### **Kaden Lewis Bahl**

Parents: Nathan & Katie Bahl  
Godparents: Katherine Determan & Jerry Grothen  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Romans 15:5  
Baptismal Date: November 19, 2006

### **Jayden Peter Claseaman**

Parents: Mark & Wendy Jurgensen  
Godparents: Josephine Batson & Brian Keppers  
Confirmation Bible Verse: 2 Peter 2:18  
Baptismal Date: June 5, 2009

**Cree Lynn Garcia**

Parents: George & Elisha Garcia  
Godparents: Shauna Wagner  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Joshua 1:9  
Baptismal Date: September 23, 2007

**Jack Thomas Gross**

Parents: Dan & Heidi Gross  
Godparents: Hilary Handahl, Anthony Hogberg & Chris Gross  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Psalm 28:7  
Baptismal Date: December 24, 2006

**Bjorn Peder Johannes Hausken**

Parents: Pastor Matt & Sarah Hausken  
Godparents: Katie Hausken, Kristin Kelsey, Brian Prinz, Christy Lee &  
Daniel Hogan  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Nehemiah 8:10  
Baptismal Date: October 8, 2006

**John Jeffrey Morse**

Parents: Kevin & Heidi Morse  
Godparents: Gretchen Van Hauen, Mark & Jaime Morse  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Matthew 7:12  
Baptismal Date: January 27, 2007

**Parker Frederick Ridler**

Parents: Freddie & Monica Ridler  
Godparents: Mik Bailey, Roger & Tonia Ridler  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Joshua 1:9  
Baptismal Date: November 19, 2006

**Carson James Serbus**

Parents: Taylor & Tanya Serbus  
Godparents: Crystal Pribyl, Trista Kavanagh, Shaun & Becky Bruns  
Confirmation Bible Verse: John 3:16  
Baptismal Date: March 18, 2007

**Ava Rose Stratton**

Parents: Laurence & Jennifer Stratton  
Godparents: Aaron Stratton & Nathan Stratton  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Matthew 19:26  
Baptismal Date: September 2, 2007

**Autum Beverly Stryker**

Parents: Dalen & Jamie Stryker  
Godparents: Deb Mahoney & the late Bob Mahoney  
Confirmation Bible Verse: Song of Solomon 4:7  
Baptismal Date: September 8, 2007

**Daniel Joseph Welchance**

Parents: Jeanne Welchance  
Godparents: Julie Kohout & Jon Erickson  
Confirmation Bible Verse: John 8:36  
Baptismal Date: November 13, 2016