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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October16 - October 23

Sunday 10.16	Worship Service at 9:00 AM Coffee Hour at 10:00 AM 7-9 PM Movie Night
Monday 10.17	Library in use 6:30 PM
Tuesday 10.18	Men's Bible Study 6:30 & 7:00 A
Wednesday 10.19	Women's Bible at 9:00 AM No Confirmation
Thursday 10.20	Breakfast Club at 7:07 PM Craft Retreat
Friday 10.21	Craft Retreat
Saturday10.22	Craft Retreat
Note: Change of date for the Craft Retreat	
Sunday 10.23	Worship Services: 9:00 Communion Coffee Hour at 10:00 AM
Sunday School Registration link - https://forms.gle/gt8g9RRSxXQP9BjL8	

October Worship Assistants

Ushers: Daren Sagedahl, Alex Gay & Todd Gay Acolytes: Erika Martinson & Lilly Henriksen Clicker: Charlie Morse Camera: Carson Howe Communion Helper: Stacey Larson Altar Guild: Sarah Benson & Sheila Pietig



Confirmation Information

October 19th, No Confirmation – MEA weekend October 26th, 8 & 9 Grades

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 grades and meet 2x per month on Wednesdays. **10/26** Jesus Justice League will be 1-2nd grade meeting 1x per month on Thursdays GLUE 3-4th grade also meeting 1x per month on Thursdays



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.

10-12 grade movie night will be at church on October 16, from 7-9p



The Grief Lectionary

(This study is meant to be a companion for grieving people of faith who take the Bible as a guide. It also is a study for all who grieve, whether your grief is old or new, whether it is fully integrated or still raw.) Dates: Sundays: November 13th – December 18th A Scriptural Approach to Accessing and Processing Your Grief Time: 45 minutes after service in the library Cost is \$10.00 for materials Deadline to sign up is Sunday, October 30th, 2022 (Sign-up sheet is on "The Board" or call Sue at 320-523-1574.) Carol Horrmann – Friends & Family Dale Dahl – Tami Steffel's brother Glenn Hegna _ Family & Friends Jeff Keltgen – Family & Friends Michelle Hanson – Friend of the Greg & Kathy Helin Joan Rosenow – Family & Friends Bob Wittman – Family & Friends Ava Koep – Friends & Family Chrissy Boen – Family & Friends Liz Elfering – Family & Friends Jesse Tongen – Family & Friend Clifford Metteer - Family Jon Hackman 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 Family of Pat Ryan



Olivia Lions Harvest Brunch

8:30 am – 12:30 pm Sunday, October 23 at Olivia American Legion Pancake, scrambled eggs, Prairie Meats sausage \$13 per plate - \$5 kids 7-12 and under 7 free

Equipping Congregations Roadshow



November 3 @ 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm 2022 SW MN Synod Equipping Congregations Roadshow The equipping workshops are hitting the road! The former Equipping Congregations Day is taking a new format. This Roadshow will offer three different dates and three different locations. Thursday Evening, Nov. 3rd @ Faith Lutheran, Spicer Saturday, Nov. 5th @ First Lutheran, Marshall Monday Evening, Nov. 7th @ American Lutheran, Worthington

All three event are FREE! This event is supported by a generous gift from the Page Family, in honor of their parents, James and Mary Page, for lay leadership ministry formation.

OCTOBER 16, 2022 NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Do not lose heart.

taking faith home

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

Luke 18:1-8 Genesis 32:22-31 2 Timothy 3:14–4:5 Psalm 31:19-24 Ephesians 3:7-13 Hebrews 12:1-12 Psalm 121 Luke 18:9-14 Parable of the persistent widow God renames Jacob Paul's instruction to Timothy A prayer for protection Paul's ministry to the Gentiles The example of Jesus Assurance of God's protection A Pharisee and tax collector pray

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. Luke 18:1 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, for those lives torn by injustice and pain, give us faith to pray always and to trust in you, through Jesus Christ, the one who comes in glory at the end of time. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear Lord, we thank you for the gift of this food and that you neither slumber nor sleep but watch diligently over us to keep us safe. Amen. (Psalm 121:4-8)

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord Jesus keep watch over you and protect you always.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:
Talk or think about a time when you or someone you know faced something that was unfair.
What gives you courage to go on when unfairness seems to win time and again?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Luke 18:1-8.

Jesus is telling us in this parable: "Keep the faith; keep praying for the reign of God; don't become complacent with an unjust world." This parable of the persistent widow is a good example of why we should not use Jesus' parables as analogies comparing God to us. We certainly don't want to see God as an unjust judge. The point is that if even an unjust judge can give in to the persistence of the widow, how much more will our merciful God listen to and respond to our cries for help. What begins as a call to pray constantly, ends as a focus on faith itself. When Christ, the Son of Man returns, will he see faith on earth? Faith is expressed as a constant prayer to God for the justice and mercy of God.

Discuss: When is a time you have prayed without ceasing for God's justice and mercy?

Pray: Come, Lord Jesus, come into our world and into our lives that we may pray without ceasing for your power and justice and not lose heart. Amen.

SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings for this week and the theme, who do you know that is "losing heart" and how can you pray for them?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

In Genesis 32:28 God changes Jacob's name to Israel which means, "you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." We don't often see our lives of faith as wrestling with God, yet that is exactly what God honors and expects from us. This week, question God in your prayers, asking, "Lord, how come . . . ?" Let this questioning of God's intent be an example of building a strong and trusting relationship with God. Conclude by praying the Lord's Prayer.