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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

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Cross of Calvary
LUTHERAN CHURCH

March Worship Assistants

Ushers: Curt Sather, Eric Skeie & Daren Sagedahl

Acolytes: Eric Wussow & Preston Stuhl

Clicker: Gabriel Suess

Camera: Will Stratton

Communion Helper: Trent Athmann

Altar Guild: DeAnne Beckler, Marie Rauenhorst & Bobbi Kopel

Sunday 03.05

Worship Service at 9:00 AM

Communion

Sunday school & Coffee Hour

“Not So” Newlywed Game

Monday 03.06

6:00 PM Cub scouts

Tuesday 03.07

6:30 & 7:00 AM Men’s Bible Study

11:00 AM Library in use

Wednesday 03.08

9:00 AM Women’s Bible

5:30 – 6:30 PM Soup Supper

6:20 PM Confirmation

7:00 PM Lenten Service

Game Night

Theology on Tap

Thursday 03.09

Breakfast Club 7:07 AM

Quilters 9:30 AM

3-5 PM GLUE

Craft Retreat 5:00 PM

Friday 03.10

Craft Retreat – All day

Sr. High Youth Gathering

Saturday 03.11

Craft Retreat – All day

Sr. High Youth Gathering

Sunday 03.05

Worship Services: 9:00 AM

10:00 AM Sunday School & Coffee Hour

Lenten Worship Services for 2023

Lenten Services	Wednesdays: starting March 1 st at 7:00 PM
Palm Sunday	April 2nd at 9:00 AM
Morning Matins	April 3rd – 7th (7:00 AM)
Maundy Thursday/Seder Meal	April 6th at Noon & 7:00 PM
Good Friday/Stations	April 7th at 7:00 PM
Easter Sunday	April 9th at 6:30 AM & 9:00 AM No Sunday School



Soup Supper

Sign up is on the "Door".

Dates: February 22nd – March 29th

Families please sign up on the Youth Board to bring food and work a shift.

We Love Soup Supper!!

Serving will be from 5:30 – 6:30 PM

Quilters

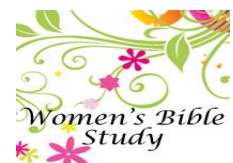
Quilting has begun at Cross of Calvary!

Please join us on Thursday morning: starting at 9:30 AM

Thrivent dollars need to be taken care of by the end of March

Women's Bible Study

1 King 1-11, Proverbs & Ecclesiastes- Wednesday mornings at 9:00



Youth activities

Confirmation Information

March Wednesdays - 6:20 PM and the Lenten services

Elementary Youth Programs

WOW – March 22nd

JJL – April 13th

GLUE – March 9th



1st Communion Classes (5th Graders)

March 15, 22 and 29, 2023 – after school from 3-5 Pm

Worship Services: Thursday, April 6th at 7:00 PM or Sunday, April 16th at 9:00

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club for 10-12 graders continues every week if there is school. (7:07 AM)

Senior High Youth Gathering is March 10 -11, 2023 at Luther Crest in Alexandria, MN. This is for 9-12 graders.



Cost is \$75.00 for members, \$100.00 for friends. We will leave from church at 5:00 PM. Deadline to sign up is by February 22nd (Ash Wednesday)

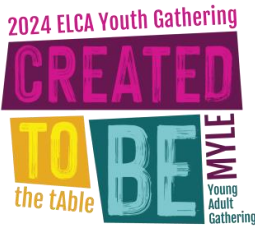
Sr. High Survivor Lock – in at Peace Lutheran in New London, on April 21-22, 2023. Cost is \$25.00 – Youth 9-12 Graders. Sign up on the Youth board.





Mark your calendar - 2024 National Youth Gathering will be in New Orleans, July 16-20. Registration will open September 15, 2023 and down payment is \$150. Total cost will be around \$1500 depending on how we travel. If you graduate in 2024-2027 you are welcome to attend. Click here for more information.

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There will also be a Young Adult National Youth Gathering in New Orleans, July 16-20, 2024 for ages 18-35. Cost will be similar. If you are interested in more info, please talk to Jeni or search

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7-9 graders are invited to attend Camp House in northern MN thru GLLM the week of June 11-15.

Check it out online!

Day Camp is June 26-29 this year. This includes kids who have completed K-6 grade. Cost is \$50.00

Prayers for...

Drew Gass – Family & Friends
Sandy Robideau – Family & friends
Jamie Lothert – Family & Friends
Donald Zarbock – Family
Brian Metteer – Family
Kristin Carpenter – Family
Marlene Wallert - Friends
Dennis Barta – Family & Friends
Maureen Hanson – Family & Friends
Rhonda Haney – Family & Friends
David Lanning – Cole family
Mavis Maurice – Family & Friends
Carol Horrmann – Friends & Family
Jeff Keltgen – Family & Friends
Michelle Hanson – Friend of the Greg & Kathy Helin

Karletta Merwede - Friends
Joan Rosenow – Family & Friends
Bob Wittman – Family & Friends
Ava Koep – Friends & Family
Chrissy Boen – Family & Friends
Liz Elfering – Family & Friends
Clifford Metteer - 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
Jesse Tongen – Family & Friends



Taking Faith Home

March 5, 2023

Second Sunday in Lent

God loves us all through Jesus.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	John 3:1-17	For God so loved the world
Monday	Genesis 12:1-4a	Call of Abram
Tuesday	Romans 4:1-5, 13-17	God's promise gained through faith
Wednesday	Zephaniah 3:14-20	A song of joy
Thursday	Psalms 5	Trust in God
Friday	Romans 8:31-39	God's love in Christ Jesus
Saturday	Psalms 121	Assurance of God's protection
Sunday	John 4:5-42	Jesus and the woman at the well

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life."

John 3:16 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Holy God, help us to trust in your goodness and mercy and not our own strength and have faith that you save the ungodly through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear Lord, you who watch our going out and coming in each and every day, we thank you for protecting us and feeding us with this gift of food. Amen. (Psalm 121:8)

A Blessing to Give:

May God bless you with peace and joy, now and always.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- ☑ Do you think you deserve everything you have? Explain.
- ☑ God cares for us through a whole community of care. How has God cared for and protected you through family, friends, or mentors?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17.

Even though the Gentiles were not descendants through the Torah (the law), Paul is seeking to help Jews understand that Gentiles can also be descendants of Abraham. It is important to establish that God is reliable. The promise God made to Abraham—including Gentile nations—is reliable because the covenant with Abraham was established through faith, not the flesh. It is the very character of God to include all people, not just Jews. Whether Jew or Gentile, whether good or bad, God makes a solid, reliable, and saving relationship with us through faith. God saves the ungodly sinners. How can this be? It is because we have the God who creates out of nothing. God does not need to create children of God out of our goodness through the law. God takes our broken lives and makes something new because God “gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist” (v. 17). God does this so that all may know the love of God in Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

Discuss: Where have you seen God’s love for others and does it surprise you that God saves the ungodly?

Pray: Loving God, you who give life to the dead and bring into existence what does not exist, thank you for creating us as children of God through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings for this week, how can you offer God’s protective care to others?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Lent is a period of forty days when we focus on prayer, fasting, and almsgiving as we prepare for Easter. Almsgiving is the tradition or practice of giving money or food to those in need. This week consider an amount you might spend on yourself, and instead add that amount to the Almsgiving Box placed in your home. The collected money is to be donated at the end of Lent.

Pray: Loving God, we often forget about the needs of others. Help us to remember to give generously to those in need. We pray in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, amen.

Confirmation

March and April Confirmation Schedule Lenten Season

March 1 st	6:20 PM Class & 7:00 PM Lenten Service (all attend)
March 8th	6:20 PM Class & 7:00 PM Lenten Service (all attend)
March 15th	6:20 PM Class & 7:00 PM Lenten Service (all attend)
March 22nd	6:20 PM Class & 7:00 PM Lenten Service (all attend)
March 29th	6:20 PM Class & 7:00 PM Lenten Service (all attend)
April 5th	No Confirmation
April 6th	7:00 PM Seder Meal/First Communion
April 3rd—9th	This is Holy Week you are required to go to three of the nine services between Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Morning Matins at 7:00 AM (5), and Easter Sunday.

No Classes during Holy Week

April 7th	7:00 PM Good Friday
April 7th	Stations of the Cross
April 9th	6:30 AM & 9:00 AM Easter

Holy Week Worship Services

Palm Sunday	April 2nd at 9:00 AM
Morning Matins	April 3rd – 7th (7:00 AM)
Maundy Thursday	April 6th at Noon & 7:00 PM
Good Friday	April 7th at 7:00 PM
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March 2023

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5 9:00 AM Worship Communion <hr/> 10:00 Sunday school & Coffee Hour <hr/> Not So Newlywed Dinner - 5PM	6 6-7 PM Cub Scouts Mtg.	7 6:30 & 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study	8 9:00 Women's Bible Study <hr/> Soup Supper 5:30-6:30 PM <hr/> 6:20-7:30 PM Confirmation <hr/> 7:00 PM Lent Service	9 7:07 AM Breakfast Club <hr/> Quilters 9:30 AM <hr/> 3-5 GLUE <hr/> 5:00 PM Craft Retreat	10 Sr. High Youth Gathering Craft Retreat (All Day)	11 Sr. High Youth Gathering Craft Retreat
12 9:00 AM Worship <hr/> 10:00 Sunday School & Coffee Hour	13 7-8 Boy Scout Mtg.	14 6:30 & 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study	15 9:00 Women's Bible Study <hr/> 3-5 PM 1 st Communion Class (5 th Graders) <hr/> Soup Supper 5:30-6:30 PM <hr/> 6:20-7:30 PM Confirmation <hr/> 7:00 PM Lent Service	16 7:07 AM Breakfast Club <hr/> Quilters 9:30 AM	17	18
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