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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

Pastor

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jeniskeie@gmail.com

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May Worship Assistants

Ushers: Brian Kingery, Alex Gay Acolytes: Addelyn Malvin & Emersyn Malvin Clicker: Bjorn Hausken Camera: Leif Hausken Communion Helper: Sandra Gay

Altar Guild: Laura Julson, Karen van der Hagen, Sandy Padrnos,

Kaylee Padrnos

Sunday 05.21 **9:00 AM Worship Service**

Senior Recognition Sunday

*Coffee hour honoring the Class of 2023

Monday 05.22 **Ruth Bible Study at noon**

-Angie Boen's house (Potluck)

Tuesday 05.23 6:30 & 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

Office Closed

Wednesday 05.24 9:00 AM Women's Bible

Theology on Tap 7:30 PM Game Night 7-8:30 PM

Thursday 05.25 Last Breakfast Club at Chatterbox

Friday 05.26

Saturday 05.27

Sunday 05.28 **9:00 AM Worship Services Baptism - Baumgartner**

Job Opening at Cross of Calvary

Office Manager/Building Supervisor 30 hours per week – starting date July 1st, 2023 Contact church office for more information/application

Cross of Calvary Financial Information through April

General Offering

YTD Budget: \$94,148.00 YTD Income: \$84,699.42

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Needed each month to make budget: \$23,750.00



Theology on Tap

Starting Wednesday, May 24th at 7:30 PM (meet at Max's Grill)

Book – "Gift of Imperfection" by Brene Brown

Please order your own book (available on Amazon)



Bridal Shower for Bailey Elbert Bride to be of Brayden Fischer

Saturday, May 20th from 10-12 Cross of Calvary Church



Senior Recognition will be May 21 during the 9am worship time with a short reception following. This is hosted by the Junior families.

Game night for 7-9 grade will be May 24th, 7:00-8:30pm

Last Breakfast Club will be May 25th at Chatterbox for grades 9-12

Confirmation

- *There will be an orientation retreat for next year's incoming 7th graders on June 19th from 10-5 PM.
 - *Affirmation of Faith retreat will be August 3rd from 19- PM for those going into 10th grade. During this retreat we will plan your confirmation service.

 Watch for details.

Confirmation Sunday is scheduled for September 24th.

Lions Breakfast: Proceeds for Community

Sunday, May 21st from 8:30 – 12:30 Pancakes, Eggs, Prairie Meats Sausage



DAY CAMP will be at Cross of Calvary June 26-29. This is for children who have finished K-6th grade. Registration will be online. Cost is \$50.00. Family cap is \$150.00. You do not need to be a member of Cross of Calvary to attend. Invite your friends! We will also be looking for volunteers to work the snacks/water, shepherd the

groups, and feed evening meals to the staff. Please call or email Jeni or the church if you can help. 320-579-0406, jeniskeie@gmail.com, 320-523-1574.



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.

https://www.elca.org/YouthGathering?_ga=2.44891746.777536322.1666640 275-499798659.1666640275



Chuck Baumgartner – Family & Friends
Jon Hackmann Family
Clayton Erickson – Family & Friends
Joyce Damhof – Sara Benson's mother
Dale Robideau – Heidi Morse family
Karletta Merwede – Cole family
Bruce Freberg – Shirley Beckler's brother
Jamie Lothert – Family & Friends
Maureen Hanson – Family & Friends
Jeff Keltgen – Family & Friends
Chrissy Boen – Family & Friends

Prayer concerns will now be listed for one month only. If you need to extend or add prayers for an individual or family, please call the church office. 320-523-1574

Women's Bible Study started a new study May 3 called "Making Sense of Scripture" by David Lose, a professor at Luther Seminary. This one will have a video segment.

Books are available in the office for \$15.

KITCHEN CARE

We have a new person who will be taking charge of the kitchen care to set up service groups to monthly keep an eye on our church kitchen. (Filling salt and peppers, Cream and sugar, cleaning the refrigerator and ovens etc.) I believe the idea is to set it up like the altar guild where there will be 2-3 people, men and/or women, who do this for a month each year. If you are interested in being on the list, please call Julie Mitchell at 320-522-0164. Thank you!

MAY 21, 2023 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Followers of Jesus pray.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	John 17:1-11	Jesus prays for his disciples
Monday	Acts 1:6-14	Ascension of Jesus
Tuesday	1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11	Tending the flock of God
Wednesday	1 Thessalonians 5:12-22	Final instructions
Thursday	James 5:13-18	The prayer of faith
Friday	Ephesians 6:18-20	Pray at all times
Saturday	Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35	Praise and thanksgiving
Sunday	John 20:19-23	Jesus appears to his disciples

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

All these [the remaining 11 disciples] were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers. Acts 1:14 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, give us a heart to have a relationship with you through prayer that our lives may be filled with hope and confidence through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

God of abundance, we thank you for this food, a gift of your constant love and care for us through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the God of all grace strengthen you now and always through Christ our Lord. (1 Peter 5:10)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- When do you pray and what do you pray for?
- How does prayer guide you as a follower of Jesus Christ?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Acts 1:6-14.

After Jesus' ascension, the remaining 11 disciples and others "were constantly devoting themselves to prayer" (v. 14). The church begins its ministry with prayer. Waiting in prayer for guidance is the model for the church. Prayer is a way to face suffering as a follower of Christ with hope and even joy (1 Peter 4:13). Jesus prays for his followers that they may receive eternal life by knowing God and Jesus Christ, the one sent by God (John 17:3). The prayers of the church give Jesus' disciples the eyes to see with faith what the world cannot see. In the midst of conflict, prayer communicates praise to God for God's victory over God's enemies (Psalm 68). The first Christians were not self-proclaimed masters of prayer, but through prayer they learned to pray and witness to God's presence in the world.

Discuss: How have you learned through prayer to witness to God's presence in the world?

Pray: Ever-present God, give us patience to wait in prayer for your guidance so that we may see our way in life with faith in you through Christ Jesus, your Son and our Lord. Amen.

SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings for this week, how might you serve others who are hurting and can benefit from your prayers?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Ascension Day always falls on a Thursday (May 18 this year) and marks the last appearance of Jesus to the disciples after his resurrection. It also marks the fortieth day after Easter Sunday. The Easter season ends ten days after Ascension Day. Finish reading the Gospel of John as the Easter season ends. There is an old tradition that the clouds on Ascension Day took the form of lambs in honor of the Lamb of God. Go outside and look at the clouds in the sky. Think or talk about Jesus' ascension and say: Alleluia! Jesus has ascended! Alleluia!



Cross of Calvary Graduating Class of 2023

Gage Matthew Amberg Pete & Tara Amberg

Reception: Friday, May 26th 5-8 PM

76944 370th St.

Bird Island, MN 55310

Haylie Ann Binnebose Brianna Binnebose & Mick McNelly

Reception: Saturday, May 20th 12-3 PM

Voelz Park

Danube, MN 56230

Zane Robert Boen Brian & Dana Boen

Reception: Saturday, June 3rd 1-3 PM

Olivia Golf Club Olivia, MN 56277

Nellie Idella-Victoria Borer Leah Peterson/ Jesse & Amber Borer

Reception: Friday, June 9th 5-8:30 PM

Olivia Golf Club Olivia, MN 56277

Dominique Alexander Claseman Mark & Wendy Jurgensen

Reception: Saturday, June 3rd 2-5 PM

Kubesh Park Olivia, MN 56277

Kyle Thomas Frank Dale & Lowanda Frank

Reception: Saturday, May 20th 3-8 PM

85485 270th St. Renville, MN 56284

Kole Matthew Holland Katy Holland & Matt Holland

Reception: June 3rd 4-7 PM

32749 800th Olivia, MN 56277

Hunter John Ridler Roger & Tonia Ridler

Madeline Marie Ridler Freddie & Monica Ridler

Reception: Saturday, May 20th 1-4 PM

303 E. Oak Ave Olivia, MN 56277

Samuel Johannes Sigurdson Teri Larson-Johnson/Richard & Tracy Sigurdson

Reception: Sunday, June 4th 11-2 PM

Max's Grill

Olivia, MN 56277

Abby Grace Stovern Derek & Tami Stovern

Reception: Saturday, May 27th 4-7 PM

420 S. 4th St.

Bird Island, MN 55310

Daylea K Stryker Dalen & Jamie Stryker

Reception: June 17th 4-7 PM

80479 220th St. Renville, MN 56284

Neil Julian Young Dennis & Mandy Young

Reception: Saturday, June 3rd 4-7 PM

510 9th St. South Olivia, MN 56277

