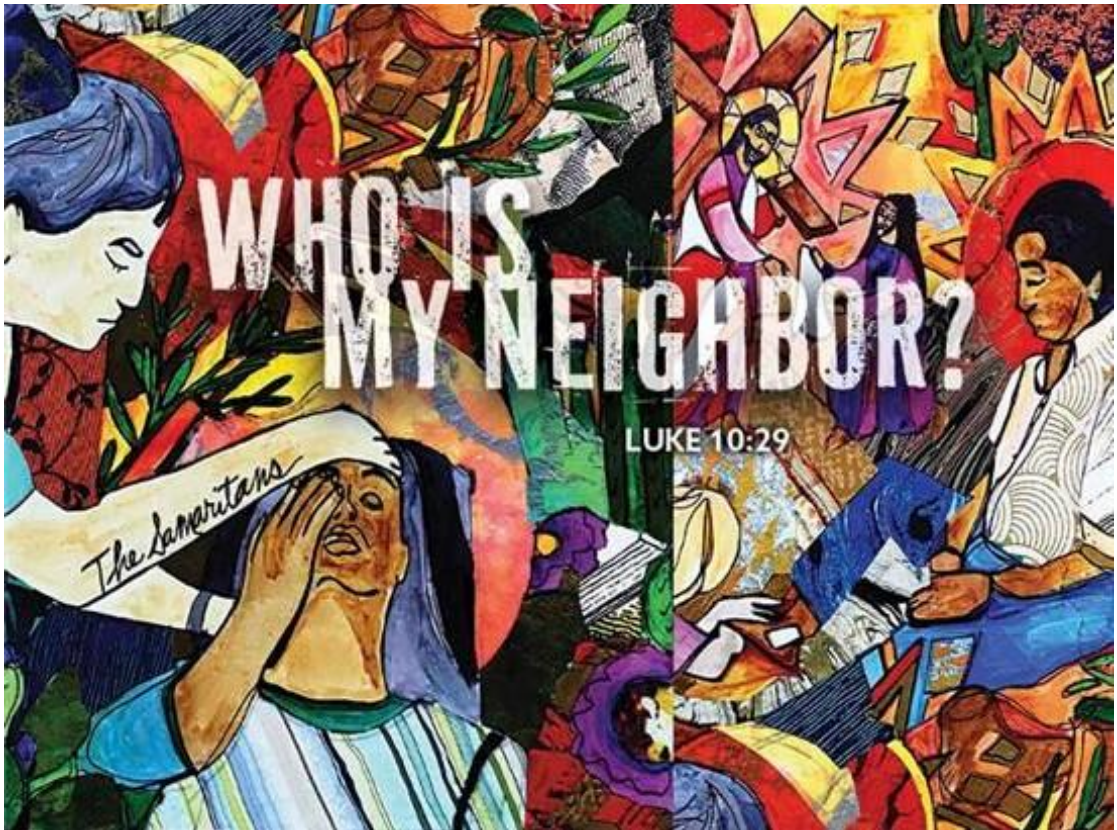


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Atonement Lutheran Church
Cross of Glory Lutheran Church
Iglesia Luterana Cristo Rey



July 13, 2025
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



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**Proud to be a Reconciling
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Three Churches, One Big Community In Faith. All Are Welcome



**ATONEMENT
LUTHERAN CHURCH**
New Brighton, MN



**CROSS OF GLORY
LUTHERAN CHURCH**
Mounds View, MN



**IGLESIA LUTERANA
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Crossroads Parish

Atonement Lutheran Church

1980 Silver Lake Road NW
New Brighton, MN 55112
651-633-2240
AtonementNB.org
Worship at 10:45am

Cross of Glory Lutheran Church

5472 Adams Street
Mounds View, MN 55112
763-784-2528
CrossofGloryMV.org
Worship at 8:30am

Iglesia Luterana Cristo Rey

Pastora Ana Becerra
1980 Silver Lake Rd NW
New Brighton, MN 55112
763-225-7079
Servicio en Español al mediodía

THANK YOU TO OUR STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Pastor Cassie Nault (on sabbatical)

Pastora Ana Becerra

Ivan Konev – Cross of Glory Accompanist

Matt Verkuilen/ Jon Thomalla – Audio/Visual

Marilyn Goldsworthy/Jaime Verkuilen - Sunday School

Maani Grace – Crossroads Music Coordinator

Deacon Brad Mills

Dawn Saros-Kirk – Office Administrator

Debora Holmes – Atonement Accompanist

Tony Houfek/Alice Sponholz – Audio/Visual

Dani Gow – Youth Group

	9:30 at Atonement
WORSHIP ASSISTANT	Andrea Weatherly
LECTOR	Steve Klaers
USHER/ACOLYTE	Bonnie Anderson
GREETER	Kevin & Gwen Blomseth
BREAD BAKER	Lynn Miller
COMMUNION SETUP/CLEANUP	Carol Hoiby
COMMUNION SERVERS	Andrea Weatherly, Steve Klaers, Carol Hoiby
COUNTERS	COG: Gretchen Davis, Allan Alt ALC: Royce King, Bruce Jahnke

We acknowledge that we gather as Atonement and Cross of Glory Lutheran Churches on the traditional land of the Wahpekute, a band of the Dakota and one of the seven groups of Oceti Sakowin, translated as “the Seven Councils Fire”, also referred to as the Great Sioux Nation as well as Anishinaabe people and other indigenous nations who have called this land home. We further acknowledge that both the State of Minnesota and the United States Government carried out genocide, ethnic cleansing, forced removal and broken promises against indigenous people as a way to acquire land. This calls us to commit to learning how to be better stewards of the land and to support indigenous communities.

ORDER OF SERVICE

TRINITY CHIMES

The singing bowl rings out 3 times to remind us we are gathered in the name of the Triune God.

WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor Cassie is away on her sabbatical and we continue to keep her in our prayers. A reminder that while she is gone, we can reach out to Pastor Ana Becerra, Deacon Brad, or contact the church office with any questions.

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence for reflection.

Merciful God,

you free us to love others,

but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.

You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,

but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.

You surround us with patience, kindness,

and generosity,

but we grow weary in doing what is right.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Do not give up on us.

Heal us, break our bonds,

and show us the path of life. Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of ✝ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

"As We Gather" (2x) – Fay, Coomes

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, & the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray,

All: O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

PSALM 25:1-10 (Please read responsively)

¹ To you, O LORD,

I lift up my soul.

² **My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

³ Let none who look to you be put to shame;
rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

⁴ **Show me your ways, O LORD,
and teach me your paths.**

⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁶ **Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.**

⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

⁸ **You are gracious and upright, O LORD;
therefore you teach sinners in your way.**

⁹ You lead the lowly in justice
and teach the lowly your way.

¹⁰ **All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.**

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION “Thy Word” – Grant, Smith

Chorus Only

GOSPEL: LUKE 10:25-37

The Holy gospel according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵ An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶ He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” ²⁷ He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself.” ²⁸ And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

²⁹ But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” ³⁰ Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and

wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” ³⁷ He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Angela Denker

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Love the Lord” vv. 1, 2 – Lincoln Brewster

Please stand as you are able.

WE ARE NOT ALONE

L: And now we confess our faith together in the words of “We Are Not Alone”, a creed from the Church of Canada.

**All: We are not alone,
we live in God’s world.
We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God’s presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (Response after each petition.)

L: God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

SHARING OF PEACE

L: May the peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

L: Let us share a sign of peace with one another.

Please be seated.

OFFERING

Offertory Music: “Be Unto Your Name” vv. 1, 2 – DeShazo, Sadler

OFFERING PRAYER

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD’S PRAYER

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us now pray the Lord’s Prayer in whatever language is most familiar.

All: Our Father...

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMNS

“His Banner Over Me Is Love” vv. 1, 3, 6, 8 - Laurelton

“I Love to Tell the Story” vv. 1-4 – Hankey, Fischer

COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus’ name. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

BLESSING

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit
✠ bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

“Give Thanks” - Smith

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today	9:30 – Worship at Atonement – <i>Prayer Ministers Available</i> 10am – FCC at Atonement LL Noon – Cristo Rey Worship at Atonement
Monday	8am – Crossroads Bible Study at Atonement 6pm – Property Committee at Atonement
Tuesday	5:30 – 7pm - Jumbo Sale Collection
Wednesday	6:30 – S’more Worship at Atonement
Thursday	1pm – Game Day at Atonement 4:30 - Bible Junk Book Journaling at Cross of Glory
Friday	5pm – New Birth at Cross of Glory
Saturday	9am – Mount of Blessings at Atonement 9am - New Birth at Cross of Glory
Sunday	9:30 – Worship at Atonement Noon – Cristo Rey Worship at Atonement <u>3pm – FCC at Atonement</u>

WELCOME AND THANK YOU to Rev. Angela Denker, an award-winning author, ELCA Lutheran pastor, and veteran journalist. Her first book, Red State Christians, was the 2019 Silver Foreword Indies award-winner for political and social sciences. Her second book, Disciples of White Jesus: The Radicalization of American Boyhood, came out on March, 25, 2025. She is a columnist for the Minnesota Star Tribune and has written for many publications, including *Sports Illustrated*, the *Washington Post*, and *FORTUNE* magazine, and has appeared on CNN, BBC, SkyNews, and NPR to share her research on politics and Christian Nationalism.

Pastor Angela lives with her husband, Ben, and two sons in Minneapolis, where she is a sought-after speaker on Christian Nationalism and its theological and cultural roots. She also serves Lake Nokomis Lutheran Church in Minneapolis as Pastor of Visitation and Public Theology. You can read more of her

work on Christian Nationalism, American culture, social issues, journalism, theology, and parenting on her Substack, [I'm Listening](#).

JOIN US FOR S'MORE WORSHIP at Atonement, this **Wednesday, July 16** at 6:30pm.

LEMONADE & COOKIES FUNDRAISER FOR TX FLOOD RELIEF – King's Kids Preschool is selling lemonade and cookies **Monday, July 14** and **Wednesday, July 16** outside of Atonement from **11:30 – 1:00** and **3:00 – 4:00 both days** to support the flood relief in TX. Please come support KKP and their fundraising efforts.

LET'S ALL GO TO THE DAIRY QUEEN! Helena Mills has planned an outing to the Dairy Queen on Silver Lake Rd by Atonement on Wednesday, July 23. If you would like to ride your bike from Cross of Glory to the DQ, meet at Cross of Glory at 6:30pm. If you want to drive, meet us at the DQ at 7pm. Bring some money to purchase a DQ treat. Questions: contact Helena523@gmail.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Our Sunday School program needs your help on the following dates: **September 21, September 28, October 19, November 9, November 16 and December 7**. If you can help, please contact Marilyn Goldsworthy, Deacon Brad, or Dawn Saros-Kirk.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the funeral for Charlene Ann Fedor last Thursday at Cross of Glory.

SAVE THE DATE – The Walk a Mile for Your Neighbor fundraiser for the Community Support Center is Sunday, July 27 from 9am – 1pm at Silver View Park in Mounds View. Walking is FREE! There is a short route of about .2 miles and a longer route around the lake that's one mile. For every mile walked, \$10 moves from a pool of donated funds to be listed as a contribution from our churches. If you make a contribution to the Community Support Center, you will be entered for a chance to win one of three \$100 Visa gift cards. Walk with your family, dog, friends or neighbors and enjoy a walk around the pond.

FOUND – A gift card was found in the sanctuary at Cross of Glory. If it's yours, contact the church office with the type and amount of the gift card.

JUMBO SALE COLLECTION – There are 2 more collection days so bring your items in. **Tuesdays, July 15 & 22 from 5:30 – 7pm**. Mark your calendars for the dates of the Jumbo Sale: August 7, 9am – 7pm ; August 8, 9am – 5pm; August 9, 9am – Noon (Bag Sale!).

2025 SUMMER STRETCH Registrations Ends: Sunday, July 22, 2025. Contact the church office about how to register.

SUMMER WATER BLESSINGS – Don't forget to pick up a vial(s) to fill with water from your adventures this summer. The vials are in a basket in each narthex.