

**Crossroads Parish
Atonement Lutheran Church
Cross of Glory Lutheran Church**



**April 4, 2021
Easter Sunday**

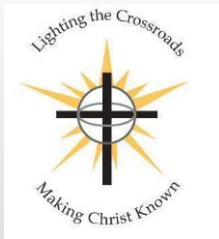
He is Risen!

Alleluia!

Welcome and thank you for joining us on this glorious day.

Thank you to our staff and volunteers.

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Order of Worship

Words of Welcome

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We thank you, risen Christ, for these waters where you make us new, leading us from death to life, from tears to joy. We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us in the grace-filled waters of rebirth, like rains to our thirsting earth, like streams that revive our souls, like cups of cool water shared with strangers. Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear. Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness. Send us companions on our journey as we share your life. Make us one, risen Christ. Cleanse our hearts. Shower us with life. To you be given all praise, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, now and forever.

Amen.

Opening Hymn: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" vs. 1-3

ELW #365

Greeting

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

And also with you!

Prayer of the Day

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

⁷And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; ⁸he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from

all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. ⁹It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: “Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia!” Vs. 1

ELW # 373

Gospel: Mark 16:1-8

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus’ body]. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, “Do not be

alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Cassie Nault

Hymn of the Day: “The Day of Resurrection!” vs. 1,3 & 4

ELW #361

Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Offering - Recording of Special Music – Cross of Glory & Atonement Choir
“In Christ Alone” by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

Offertory Prayer

God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Communion Hymn: "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia", vs. 1 & 2

ELW #364

Communion Blessing

Prayer after Communion

Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing

Sending Hymn: "Thine Is the Glory", vs. 1 & 2

ELW #376

Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday Morning Volunteers Needed – We are in need of volunteers at both Atonement and Cross of Glory to help with ushering and counting on Sunday mornings. Please let either church office know if you would be available to help or if you have any questions.

Cross of Glory Easter Flowers – If anyone would like to make a free will offering towards the Easter flowers at the altar, please mark it as “Easter Flowers” and drop it in with offering. Please feel free to take an Easter plant home with you after the 8:30 Easter worship service.

King’s Kids Preschool Rummage Sale – Mark your calendars! King’s Kids Preschool will host their annual rummage sale fundraiser at Atonement on Wednesday, May 12 and Thursday, May 13 from 9am - 5:30pm each day. While doing your spring cleaning, gather your gently used items and bring them to Atonement on *Wednesday or Friday mornings, April 7 through May 7, between 9:30 - 11am*. (NO used TV sets, VCRs or mattresses are accepted.) There will also be two Saturdays, *May 1 and May 8 that you can drop off your donations from 3 - 5pm* at Atonement.

Growing Through Loss – The next 6 week Growing Through Loss series begins Tuesday evenings, April 6 – May 11 from 6:45 – 9pm at Abiding Savior Lutheran Church in Mounds View. This series provides an opportunity for individuals to obtain information and support for a variety of loss and grief issues. The educational presentations will also be live streamed through YouTube entitled GTL North Suburban. Call 763-755-5335 or visit www.growingthroughloss.org for more information. (Please note a speaker change on April 20. Deacon John Cleveland, Guardian Angels Catholic Church in Chaska, will be speaking on the same topic for Stuart Walker.)

Atonement Worship Committee - Atonement’s Worship Committee is looking for a volunteer to schedule ushers for worship services. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Carol Hoiby at 763-572-9169.

Men’s Retreat - The men of Atonement and Cross of Glory are invited to a Men’s Retreat, May 21-23 at the Heartwood Resort and Conference Center in Trego, WI. Please contact Atonement member Steve Klaers at 612-599-8103 for more information.