Crossroads Atonement Lutheran Church Cross of Glory Lutheran Church



August 14, 2022 10th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 Outdoor Worship at Silver View Park

WELCOME!

Thank You to Our Staff and Volunteers

Pastor Cassie Nault Shannon Rosas, Atonement Minister of Music Diane Lightbody, Atonement Accompanist Jaime Verkuilen, Cross of Glory Choir Director Ivan Konev, Cross of Glory Accompanist Matt Verkuilen/Jon Thomalla/Tony Houfek - Audio-Visual Crew Marilyn Goldsworthy & Dani Gow – Sunday School/Youth Group

	9:30
Worship Assistant	Wayne Haselhorst
Lector	Jim Nelson
Usher/Acolyte	NA
Greeter	NA
Bread Baker	NA
Communion Setup	NA
Communion Servers	NA
Counters	ALC (Sally Kline, Royce King)
	COG (Matt Verkuilen, Jeanette Lundgren)

Crossroads



Atonement Lutheran Church

1980 Silver Lake Road NW New Brighton, MN 55112 651-633-2240 AtonementNB.org Worship at 10:30



Cross of Glory Lutheran Church

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

Thank you for being here for worship! These are our safety practices for worship in the sanctuary.

As more of us are returning to worship, it is important to remember that the pandemic is not over and we must still work together to keep each other safe.

Please remember that everyone has their own comfort level, which might not be the same as yours, and we must respect each other's feelings.

- 1. If you are feeling ill, please do not stay for worship. Go home and get well.
- 2. If you are a guest, please be sure to add your name and email address or phone number to the signup sheet in the narthex. This is for contact tracing.
- 3. As you enter and leave the sanctuary, make sure to give others enough space to safely pass at a distance. Let us extend welcome to one another by maintaining some social distance for those who require it.
- 4. If you test positive for COVID-19 and have attended in-person worship while potentially having the virus, please contact the church office so we can notify those who attended worship. We keep this information confidential we do not identify who has COVID, only that there was a case in worship.

It is wonderful to be in worship together.

Please follow these guidelines so we can continue worshipping in-person in the sanctuary. Thank you!

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Order of Service

Words of Welcome

Please stand as you are able.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever. **All: Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence for reflection.

Merciful God,

All: we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

All: Amen.

Gathering Song

"Come Let Us Worship God" - Makeever

Shannon Rosas

Greeting

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

All: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray,

All: O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:23-29

²³Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? ²⁴Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. ²⁵I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" ²⁶How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? ²⁷They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. ²⁸Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. ²⁹Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

Word of God, word of life. All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 82

¹God stands to charge the divine council assembled, giving judgment in the midst of the gods: ²"How long will you judge unjustly, and show favor to the wicked?

³Save the weak and the orphan;
defend the humble and needy;
⁴rescue the weak and the poor;
deliver them from the power of the wicked.

⁵They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken. ⁶Now I say to you, 'You are gods, and all of you children of the Most High; ⁷nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince.'"
⁸Arise, O God, and rule the earth, for you shall take all nations for your own.

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:29--12:2

²⁹By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

³²And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—³³who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—³⁸of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

^{12:1}Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

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Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation

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Gospel: Luke 12:49-56 The holy gospel according to Luke. All: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ⁴⁹"I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵²From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

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

Please be seated.

Sermon

Deacon Jennifer Schneider

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Hymn of the Day "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

Please stand as you are able.

We Are Not Alone

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 (Repeated response)L: Merciful God,All: receive our prayer.

Please be seated.

Offering & Music

"Blessed Be Your Name" – Redman/Redman

Shannon Rosas & Ivan Konev

Please stand as you are able.

Offering Prayer

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Announcements

Blessing

Sending Hymn "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Love your neighbor. All: Thanks be to God.

Thank you for joining us this morning.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

"God's work. Our hands."

This Week at Atonement & Cross of Glory:

Today	9:30 – Outdoor Worship at Silver View Park – Prayer Ministers Available
	12:30 – Faith Community Church at Atonement
Monday	Summer Stretch Week
	8am – Men's Bible Study
	1pm – Kitchen Kutups at Atonement
Tuesday	6:30 – ALC/COG Council Meetings at Cross of Glory
Thursday	11am – Funeral at Cross of Glory
Friday	5pm – Mount of Blessings at Atonement
	5pm – New Birth Church at Cross of Glory
Saturday	9am – Mount of Blessings at Atonement
	9am – New Birth Church at Cross of Glory
Sunday	9:30 – Worship at Atonement
	12:30 – Faith Community Church at Atonement

Thank you to Deacon Jennifer Schneider for preaching today!

Upcoming Worship Schedule:

August 21 – 9:30 at Atonement August 28 – 9:30 at Atonement September 4 - (Labor Day weekend) – 9:30 at Cross of Glory September 11 - Return to regular worship schedule.

The Good Neighbor Back to School Project - Crossroads is collecting back to school items the next two Sundays (Aug 21, 28). The most needed items are:

- Large Sturdy Backpacks
- Spiral Wide Lined Notebooks
- Pocket Folders
- Pencils
- Washable Markers Primary Colors
- \$10.00 Gift Cards to Target

Kitchen Kutups begin weekly rehearsals Monday, August 15, 1pm, at Atonement.

Come Walk or Ride in the Festival in the Park Parade – The Mounds View Festival in the Park parade is Friday, August 19. We have a trailer that will hold 6 chairs for those who need to sit (please bring a lawn chair). We need others to walk beside the trailer and hand out mini Frisbees with church information. Anyone wishing to participate, **please meet at Cross of Glory at 5:15, Friday, August 19.** Contact Marilyn Goldsworthy at 651-247-3139 with questions.

King's Kids Preschool Open House – The annual meet-and-greet Ice Cream Social will be **Sunday**, **August 28 from 6:30 – 7:30pm.** Classes begin Tuesday, September 6. We are currently accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year. Please call 651-633-2240 ext. 15 for more information.

Sunday School Needs Fleece – Sunday school is looking for fleece donations to make scarves for the Community Support Center. They will kick off the new school year on **Sunday, September 11** making scarves as a service project for "God's work. Our hands." service day. Regular classes will begin on Sunday, September 18. Watch for registration forms in the mail or pick one up at either church or request one from Dawn in either church office.

"God's Work. Our Hands." is Sunday, September 11 and is a service day to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. <u>We still need a volunteer(s) from Atonement and Cross of Glory</u> to coordinate a service day for Crossroads. Please let Dawn know if you are interested.

Dumpster at Atonement – Church Committees and groups, it's time to go through and purge unneeded items at church. A dumpster will be delivered to Atonement August 15 for 5 days. King's Kids Preschool will be cleaning out the preschool area; if anyone would like to help with this project, contact Lisa Altomari, Carol Hoiby or Dawn Saros-Kirk.

Offering Envelopes for Atonement – The new offering envelopes, beginning September 2022, will be available for pickup at Atonement next Sunday.

Community Support Center Walk Results – It was another successful Walk thanks to everyone who participated or donated! CSC raised \$26,106, which is over \$3,000 more than last year. **322 walkers** and **477 miles** walked! Between walkers from Atonement and Cross of Glory, there were 15 walkers totaling 17 miles. Good job walkers!