

Crossroads
Atonement Lutheran Church
Cross of Glory Lutheran Church

“God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday



JOIN US
for a
day of service

September 11, 2022
14th Sunday after Pentecost
8:30 Worship at Cross of Glory
10:30 Worship at Atonement

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

	8:30	10:30
Worship Assistant	TBD	Royce King
Lector	Monika Cook	Wayne Haselhorst
Usher/Acolyte	Linda Radtke, Leslie Bjork	Judy Hill
Greeter	TBD	Kerry Shoberg
Bread Baker	NA	Jan Zastrow
Communion Setup	Jeff & Roberta Olson	Judy Hill
Communion Servers	Shelly Markham, Gwen Lentsch	Royce King, Pat Haselhorst
Counters	Bob Reed, Gretchen Davis	Tony Houfek, Royce King

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**ATONEMENT
LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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!

Order of Service

Words of Welcome

Please stand as you are able.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

All: Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,

All: we confess that sin still has a hold on us.

We have harmed your good creation.

We have failed to do justice,

love kindness,

and walk humbly with you.

Turn us in a new direction.

Show us the path that leads to life.

Be our refuge and strength on the journey,

through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Gathering Song

"Oh, Worship the King"

ELW #842

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.

Kyrie

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Hymn of Praise

“This is the Feast”

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Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray,

All: O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading: Exodus 32:7-14

⁷The LORD said to Moses, “Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; ⁸they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’” ⁹The LORD said to Moses, “I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. ¹⁰Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.”

¹¹But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, “O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹²Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, ‘I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.’” ¹⁴And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 51:1-10 (Please read responsively)

¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

²**Wash me through and through from my wickedness,
and cleanse me from my sin.**

³For I know my offenses,
and my sin is ever before me.

**⁴Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight;
so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.**

⁵Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness,
a sinner from my mother's womb.

**⁶Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me,
and would have me know wisdom deep within.**

⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

**⁸Let me hear joy and gladness;
that the body you have broken may rejoice.**

⁹Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my wickedness.

**¹⁰Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.**

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

¹²I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Blessing of the Backpacks

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel: Luke 15:1-10

The holy gospel according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

³So he told them this parable: ⁴“Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸“Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Sermon

Pastor Cassie Nault

Hymn of the Day

“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”

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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: God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

Please be seated.

Offering & Music

8:30 "Etude in E major op. 10" by F. Chopin

Ivan Konev

10:30 "Come, Now is the Time to Worship"- Doerksen

Shannon Rosas & Diane Lightbody

Please stand as you are able.

Offering Prayer

Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. **Amen.**

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Please be seated.

Communion Hymns

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

ELW #484

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

ELW #803

Communion Blessing

Prayer after Communion

God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Announcements

Blessing

Sending Hymn

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

ELW #807

Dismissal

L: Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

All: Thanks be to God.

Thank you for joining us this morning.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"God's work. Our hands."

This Week at Atonement & Cross of Glory:

- Today 8:30 – Worship at Cross of Glory – *Blessing of the Backpacks*
 9:30 – "God's work. Our hands." service project
 9:30 – Sunday School/Youth at Cross of Glory
 10:30 – Worship at Atonement – *Blessing of the Backpacks/Prayer Ministers*
 11:30 – "Lunch Bunch" Intergenerational Lunch at Atonement – All are invited!
 12:30 – Faith Community Church at Atonement
- Monday 8am – Men's Bible Study
 1pm – Fellowship Circle at Cross of Glory
 1pm – Kitchen Kutups at Atonement
 1pm – ABCD at Atonement
 6pm – Girl Scouts at Atonement
 6pm – Atonement Property Committee
 7pm – Cub Scouts at Cross of Glory
- Tuesday 1pm – Elizabeth Circle at Atonement
 6:30 – Atonement/Cross of Glory Council Meetings
- Wednesday 6:30 - Confirmation
- Thursday 1pm – Game Day at Atonement
 6pm – Girl Scouts at Cross of Glory
- Friday 3pm – Atonement Charitable Giving Meeting
 5pm – Mount of Blessings at Atonement
 5pm – New Birth at Cross of Glory
- Saturday 9am – Mount of Blessings at Atonement
 9am – New Birth at Cross of Glory
- Sunday 8:30 – Worship at Cross of Glory
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Call Committee Selected

During our budget process earlier this year, we included a line item for a "Ministry Associate," realizing that our ministry at Crossroads Parish went much more smoothly with an extra ministry professional helping lead. Marty Wyatt served in that very part-time role

until his ordination in March--and since then, the church leadership teams have been in active conversation about how to move forward with filling the role of Ministry Associate. After much prayer and discernment, we are excited to share that our Church Councils have elected 12 members to serve on the Call Committee to discern whether the role of Ministry Associate will be filled by calling a part-time Deacon to serve our Crossroads Parish. Included in the Call Committee from Cross of Glory are Gretchen Davis, Marie Thomalla, Brianna Thomalla, Ron Markham, Brian Kaden, and Rochelle Benson; from Atonement are Adam Vassel (chair), Steve Klaers, Cheryl Lunde, Scott Carlson, Carreen Houfek, and Jim Nelson. Since we are conducting a targeted search, this process has moved more swiftly than we'd anticipated over the past couple weeks. Watch the bulletin, the newsletter, and your email for updates on the process--and most of all, please pray for this committee and our congregations as we discern together.

ABCD Meets Tomorrow at 1 pm - The ABCD book discussion will be held in the Fellowship Hall at Atonement Lutheran Church on Monday, September 12, at 1:00 pm. We will discuss ***Wish You Were Here*** by Jodi Picoult. In October we will discuss ***The Midnight Library*** by Matt Haig. People from both Atonement and Cross of Glory are welcome. You can attend all of the discussions or only those that interest you. Please bring a mask and your own beverage.

23rd Annual Winter Clothing Collection – Atonement & Cross of Glory are currently collecting winter clothing for the Social Concerns Coat Drive held at Christ the King on October 15. Items accepted: winter coats (gently used/new), snow suits or pants, gloves/mittens/scarves (gently used/new/handmade), hats (new/handmade only please). Please no indoor-weight clothing, light-weight coats (fleece or vests). All sizes accepted. Please wash items before donating as many recipients can't afford to do this themselves. Donations can be hung up on the coat racks at both churches.

Atonement's Holidale Boutique is planned for Saturday, November 5 from 9am-3pm. Watch for more details to come.