

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



**September 18, 2022**  
**15th 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

	<b>8:30</b>	<b>10:30</b>
<b>Worship Assistant</b>	TBD	Scott Carlson
<b>Lector</b>	Jaime Verkuilen	Royce King
<b>Usher/Acolyte</b>	Jeff Olson, Linda Thorson	Bonnie Anderson
<b>Greeter</b>	Linda Thorson	Bea Laubach
<b>Bread Baker</b>	NA	Jan Zastrow
<b>Communion Setup</b>	Kolleen Olsen	Lynn Miller
<b>Communion Servers</b>	Leslie Bjork, Becky Redding	Scott Carlson, Virginia Cahow
<b>Counters</b>	Matt Verkuilen, Jeanette Lundgren	Sally Kline, Royce King
<b>Nursery</b>	Dani Gow	TBD

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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

"We Give Thee but Thine Own", vs. 1-3

ELW #686

## 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: God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### First Reading: Amos 8:4-7

<sup>4</sup>Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, <sup>5</sup>saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, <sup>6</sup>buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat."

<sup>7</sup>The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

Word of God, word of life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm of the Day: Psalm 113 (Please read responsively)

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD;  
praise the name of the LORD.

<sup>2</sup>**Let the name of the LORD be blessed,  
from this time forth forevermore.**

<sup>3</sup>From the rising of the sun to its going down  
let the name of the LORD be praised.

<sup>4</sup>**The LORD is high above all nations;  
God's glory above the heavens.**

<sup>5</sup>Who is like the LORD our God,  
who sits enthroned on high,

<sup>6</sup>**but stoops to behold  
the heavens and the earth?**

<sup>7</sup>The LORD takes up the weak out of the dust  
and lifts up the poor from the ashes,  
<sup>8</sup>**enthroning them with the rulers,  
with the rulers of the people.**

<sup>9</sup>The LORD makes the woman of a childless house  
to be a joyful mother of children. Hallelujah!

**Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7**

<sup>1</sup>First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. <sup>3</sup>This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup>For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, <sup>6</sup>who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. <sup>7</sup>For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Word of God, word of life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Gospel Acclamation**

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**Gospel: Luke 16:1-13**

The holy gospel according to Luke.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. <sup>2</sup>So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ <sup>3</sup>Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. <sup>4</sup>I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ <sup>5</sup>So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ <sup>6</sup>He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ <sup>7</sup>Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ <sup>8</sup>And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted

shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

<sup>10</sup>“Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. <sup>11</sup>If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? <sup>12</sup>And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? <sup>13</sup>No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**Sermon**

Pastor Cassie Nault

**Hymn of the Day**

“Be Thou My Vision”

ELW #793

*Please stand as you are able.*

**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** (Repeated response)

L: God of grace,

**All: hear our prayer.**

*Please be seated.*

**Offering & Music**

8:30 “Adagio from Sonata Pathetique” by L. van Beethoven

Ivan Konev

10:30 “Take My Life, That I May Be” – Sedio

Atonement Choir

*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**

“Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am” (2 times)

ELW #814

“Borning Cry”

ELW #732

**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**

“Let Streams of Living Justice”

ELW #710

## **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 9:30 – Sunday School/Youth at Cross of Glory 10:30 – Worship at Atonement 12:30 – Faith Community Church at Atonement
Monday	8am – Men's Bible Study 1pm – Kitchen Kutups at Atonement 7pm – Cub Scouts at Cross of Glory
Tuesday	6:30 – Girl Scouts at Cross of Glory
Wednesday	6:30 - Confirmation
Thursday	1pm – Game Day at Atonement
Friday	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 9:30 – Sunday School/Youth at Cross of Glory 10:30 – Worship at Atonement 12:30 – Faith Community Church at Atonement

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**Stewardship & Budget Committees** – We are forming the Stewardship Committee and Budget Committee at both churches and we need you. If you would like to help with either committee, please let Pastor Cassie or Dawn know.

**Sunday School Substitutes Needed** – Cheryle Lunde (Atonement) and Marilyn Goldsworthy (Cross of Glory) are teaching Sunday School this year. Dani Gow (Cross of Glory) is leading Youth. We would like to create a substitute list so they can take off a Sunday when needed. You can chose to substitute when called based on your availability. Lessons will be provided for you. Please consider adding your name as a substitute. If interested, please let Cheryl, Marilyn, Dani or Dawn know.

**23<sup>rd</sup> 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.

**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 Vasel (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.

**Thanks to everyone who helped with the service projects for "God's work. Our hands." Sunday.** Many fleece scarves were made at Cross of Glory to donate to the Winter Clothing Drive and the rain garden at Atonement was cleaned up to share with the community.