Crossroads Atonement Lutheran Church Cross of Glory Lutheran Church



January 15, 2023
Second Sunday after Epiphany
Sermon Series: "Church, we gotta come together"
8:30 Worship at Cross of Glory

10:30 Worship at Atonement

WELCOME!

Thank You to Our Staff and Volunteers

Pastor Cassie Nault; Deacon Brad Mills

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, Cheryl Lunde & Dani Gow – Sunday School/Youth Group

	8:30	10:30
Worship Assistant	NA	Jim Nelson
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Greeter	Annette Steichen	Steve Klaers
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Coffee Setup/Cleanup	Annette Steichen	NA
COG Closer	Marilyn Goldsworthy	NA

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

Order of Service

Words of Welcome

Please stand as you are able.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Silence is for reflection.

Holy One, source of our renewal,

All: we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Thus says our God: "The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare." God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of + Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Gathering Song

"Rise, Shine, You People!"

ELW 665

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: Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

Children's Message

First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

¹Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. ²He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. ³And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." ⁴But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God."

⁵And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—⁶he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

⁷Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

¹Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, ²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Sermon

Deacon Brad Mills

ELW 715

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

L: Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

Please be seated.

Offering & Music

8:30 "What a Wonderful World" by Weiss & Thiele 10:30 "Behold the Lamb" – Getty/Getty/Townend

Shannon Rosas & Diane Lightbody

Ivan Konev

Please stand as you are able.

Offering Prayer

Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, **Amen.**

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Words of Institution Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Please be seated.

Communion Hymns

"Arise, Your Light Has Come!"
"All Who Believe and Are Baptized"

ELW 314 FLW 442

Communion Blessing

Prayer after Communion

Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you. **Amen.**

Announcements

Blessing

Sending Hymn

"Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult" (vs. 1-4)

ELW 696

Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

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 Group at Cross of Glory

10:30 – Worship at Atonement

12:30 – Faith Community Church at Atonement

Monday Office Closed – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

8am - Men's Bible Study

7pm – Cub Scouts at Cross of Glory

Tuesday 6:30 – Cub Scouts at Cross of Glory

Wednesday 3:30 – KKP Board Meeting *Corrected Day*

7pm – El Salvador Mission Trip Informational Meeting @ Atonement

Thursday 1pm – Game Day at Atonement

6pm – Girl Scouts at Cross of Glory

Friday 3pm – Charitable Giving Meeting

5pm – New Birth at Cross of Glory

5pm - Mount of Blessings at Atonement

Saturday 9am – New Birth at Cross of Glory

9am - Mount of Blessings at Atonement

Sunday 8:30 – Worship at Cross of Glory

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Annual Meetings/Combined Worship Services

Cross of Glory Annual Meeting

Atonement Congregational Meeting

Sunday, January 29

Sunday, February 5

9:30 worship at Cross of Glory

9:30 worship at Atonement

I wish to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, visits, treats & phone calls. I am grateful to all of you. I have finished all my chemo treatments & will continue to be checked monthly. My journey continues as my blood counts are not where they should be yet. I have been so blessed by you all. Thank you. ~ Arlene Drier

Please keep Joann Crampton and her family in your prayers as they mourn their loss of Milt Crampton who died on January 3, 2023, one day after his 101st birthday. Their family held a private service last Wednesday.

El Salvador Mission Trip – Informational Meeting – This Wednesday at 7pm, stop by Atonement as Deacon Brad shares information about the El Salvador Mission Trip August 1-6. *Come and see what God has in store for you!*

The church offices are closed Monday, January 16 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Martin Luther King Jr. quotes:

"I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear."

"The time is always right to do what is right."

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?' "