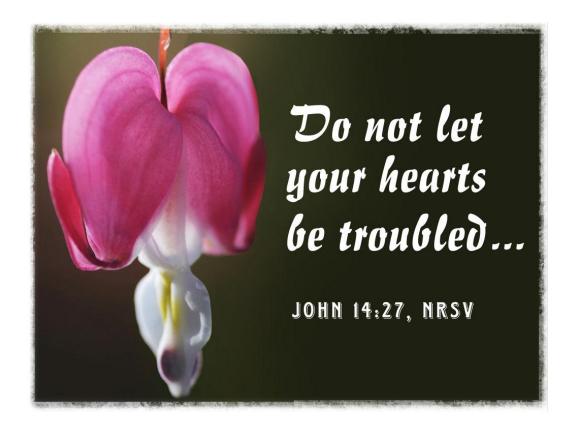
# CROSSROADS Atonement Lutheran Church Cross of Glory Lutheran Church Iglesia Luterana Cristo Rey



May 25, 2025 Sixth Sunday of Easter





# Proud to be a Reconciling In Christ Community

Three Churches, One Big Community In Faith. All Are Welcome







#### Atonement Lutheran Church

1980 Silver Lake Road NW New Brighton, MN 55112 651-633-2240 AtonementNB.org Worship at 10:45am

# **Cross of Glory Lutheran Church**

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

### Iglesia Luterana Cristo Rey

Pastora Ana Becerra 1980 Silver Lake Rd NW New Brighton, MN 55112 763-225-7079 Servicio en Español al mediodía

# THANK YOU TO OUR STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Pastor Cassie Nault
Pastora Ana Becerra
Ivan Konev – Cross of Glory Accompanist
Matt Verkuilen/ Jon Thomalla – Audio/Visual
Marilyn Goldsworthy/Jaime Verkuilen - Sunday School
Gretchen Davis – Hymn Selection

Deacon Brad Mills
Dawn Saros-Kirk – Office Administrator
Debora Holmes – Atonement Accompanist
Tony Houfek/Alice Sponholz – Audio/Visual
Dani Gow – Youth Group

	9:30
WORSHIP ASSISTANT	Gretchen Davis
LECTOR	Shari Waddell
USHER/ACOLYTE	Leslie Bjork
GREETER	Jeanne Boyle
BREAD BAKER	Linda Radtke
COMMUNION SETUP/CLEANUP	Kolleen Olsen
COMMUNION SERVERS	Gwen Lentsch, Linda Radtke
COUNTERS	COG: Gretchen Davis, TBD; ALC: Gwen Blomseth, Royce King

We acknowledge that we gather as Atonement and Cross of Glory Lutheran Churches on the traditional land of the Wahpekute, a band of the Dakota and one of the seven groups of Oceti Sakowin, translated as "the Seven Councils Fire", also referred to as the Great Sioux Nation as well as Anishinaabe people and other indigenous nations who have called this land home. We further acknowledge that both the State of Minnesota and the United States Government carried out genocide, ethnic cleansing, forced removal and broken promises against indigenous people as a way to acquire land. This calls us to commit to learning how to be better stewards of the land and to support indigenous communities.

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

#### TRINITY CHIMES

The singing bowl rings out 3 times to remind us we are gathered in the name of the Triune God.

WORDS OF WELCOME

Please stand as you are able.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of  $\pm$  the One who was, who is, and who is to come. **Amen.** 

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

All: make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

All: make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

All: make us one as you are one.

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. **Amen.** 

#### OPENING HYMN

"Morning Has Broken" vv. 1-3 - May hymn of the month.

**ELW 556** 

#### **GREETING**

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, & the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **All: And also with you.** 

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray,

All: Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the

world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

READING: ACTS 16:9-15

<sup>9</sup> During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." <sup>10</sup> When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

<sup>11</sup> We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup> and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. <sup>13</sup> On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. <sup>14</sup> A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup> When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 67 (Please read responsively)

<sup>1</sup> May God be merciful to us and bless us; may the light of God's face shine upon us.

All: <sup>2</sup> Let your way be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.

<sup>3</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

All: <sup>4</sup> Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.

<sup>5</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

All: <sup>6</sup>The earth has brought forth its increase;

God, our own God, has blessed us.

<sup>7</sup> May God give us blessing, and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

READING: REVELATION 21:10, 22-22:5

<sup>10</sup> And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

<sup>22</sup> I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup> And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup> The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. <sup>25</sup> Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup> People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup> But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

<sup>22:1</sup> Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup> Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; <sup>4</sup> they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup> And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

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GOSPEL: JOHN 14:23-29

The Holy gospel according to John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>23</sup> Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot),] "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. <sup>24</sup> Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

<sup>25</sup> "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. <sup>28</sup> You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. <sup>29</sup> And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON Deacon Brad Mills

HYMN OF THE DAY

"The Peace of the Lord" vv. 1-3

ELW 646

## Please stand as you are able.

#### APOSTLES' CREED

L: And now we confess our faith together in the words of the "Apostles' Creed".

All: 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 (Response after each petition.)

L: Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

#### SHARING OF PEACE

L: May the peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

L: Let us share a sign of peace with one another.

Please be seated.

#### **OFFERING**

Offertory Music: "Lilacs" by Sergei Rachmaninoff

Ivan Konev

#### OFFERING PRAYER

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. **Amen.** 

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

"Holy, holy, holy"

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us now pray the Lord's Prayer in whatever language is most familiar.

All: Our Father...

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Please be seated.

**COMMUNION HYMNS** 

"Jerusalem, My Happy Home" vv. 1-5

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"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness" v. 1-4

**ELW 488** 

COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. **Amen.** 

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

Please stand as you are able.

**BLESSING** 

The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, 

→ Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. **Amen.** 

SENDING HYMN

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" vv. 1-3

**ELW 815** 

DISMISSAL

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

L: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

# ANNOUNCEMENTS THIS WEEK AT ATONEMENT & CROSS OF GLORY

Today 9:30 – Worship at Cross of Glory

Noon – Cristo Rey Worship at Atonement

3pm – FCC at Atonement LL

Monday Church buildings and offices are closed for Memorial Day.

Tuesday 6pm – Zumba at Atonement

Saturday

Thursday 1pm – Game Day at Atonement

4:30 – Bible Junk Book Journaling at Cross of Glory

Friday 5pm – New Birth at Cross of Glory

6:30 – Faith and a Pint at Torg's Brewery

9am – Mount of Blessings at Atonement

9am - New Birth at Cross of Glory

Sunday 9:30 – Worship at Cross of Glory

10am – FCC at Atonement LL

Noon – Cristo Rey Worship at Atonement

THE CHURCH BUILDINGS AND OFFICES ARE CLOSED on Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day.

**GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST** – We have ordered <u>20 geraniums</u> for our Pentecost altar. If you would like to purchase a geranium for \$20 to take home after Pentecost, June 8, please complete a pink order form.

FAITH AND A PINT – Join Deacon Brad and others at Torg Brewery this Friday, May 30 at 6:30pm.

**2025 GRADUATES** – Please submit your graduates name, where they're graduating from, future plans and your relationship to them to the office by May 25. There will be a special blessing Sunday, June 1.

**PASTORAL CARE NEEDS** should be directed to Pastora Ana or Deacon Brad through September 8.

**CONTACT THE OFFICE** – Contact Dawn at either church office with any questions.

**CROSSROADS FELLOWSHIP COFFEE IS BACK IN STOCK!** Freshly roasted in Minneapolis, 16-ounce bags of whole bean or ground coffee, medium or dark roast is available for purchase, \$20/bag in the Fellowship Hall after service.

**NOTE FROM MOUNDS VIEW POLICE** – "I just wanted to thank you all for inviting us to your outdoor church event yesterday. We enjoyed serving hot dogs and from what we were told they were very good. Thanks again and have a great week." Chief Ben Zender, Mounds View Police Department