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



April 27, 2025 Second 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

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

|                         | 8:30            | 10:45                     |
|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| WORSHIP ASSISTANT       | Dawn Saros-Kirk | Andrea Weatherly          |
| LECTOR                  | Monika Cook     | Bev Knapp                 |
| USHER/ACOLYTE           | Leslie Bjork    | Lindsey Fabian            |
| GREETER                 | Jeanne Boyle    | Nancy Jahnke              |
| BREAD BAKER             | No Communion    |                           |
| COMMUNION SETUP/CLEANUP | No Communion    |                           |
| COMMUNION SERVERS       | No Communion    |                           |
| COUNTERS                | Bob Reed, TBD   | Bruce Jahnke, Sally Kline |

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

OPENING HYMN

"Nothing Can Trouble" 2X – April Hymn of the Month

ACS 1033

Please stand as you are able.

CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on Psalm 150) (Responsive reading)

Praise the Lord!

Praise God in his heavenly dwelling;

praise him in his mighty heaven!

Praise him for his mighty works;

praise his unequaled greatness!

Praise him with a blast of the trumpet;

praise him with the lyre and harp!

Praise him with the tambourine and dancing;

praise him with stringed instruments and flutes!

Praise him with a clash of symbols;

praise him with loud clanging cymbals.

Let everything that lives sing praises to the Lord!

Praise the Lord!

**GREETING** 

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

Let us pray,

All: O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, 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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**Pastor Cassie Nault** 

FIRST READING: 1 JOHN 5:1-6

<sup>1</sup>Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. <sup>2</sup>By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. <sup>3</sup>For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, <sup>4</sup>for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

<sup>6</sup>This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: REVELATION 1:4-8

<sup>4</sup> John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup> and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup> and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup>Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen.

<sup>8</sup> "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION page 151 ELW

GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31

The Holy gospel according to John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

<sup>24</sup> But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." <sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON Pastor Cassie Nault

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Here I Am, Lord" vv. 1-3 ELW 574

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH page 234 ELW

Please stand as you are able.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (Response after each petition.)

L: God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

All: Our Father...

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.

**ELW 860** 

**OFFERING** 

Offertory Music: "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me" vv. 1-3

### 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.** 

### **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

"Thine Is the Glory" vv. 1-3

**ELW 376** 

### 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 8:30 – Worship at Cross of Glory

9:30 - Sunday School/Youth Group at Cross of Glory

10am – FCC at Atonement LL 10:45 – Worship at Atonement 11:30 – FACC at Cross of Glory

Noon – Cristo Rey Worship at Atonement

Monday 8am – Crossroads Bible Study at Atonement

6pm – Girl Scouts at Atonement

Tuesday 9am – Community Support Center Luncheon/Fundraiser

Wednesday 3pm – FCC at Atonement

6:30 - Atonement Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 1pm – Game Day at Atonement

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

Friday 5pm – New Birth at Cross of Glory

Saturday 9am – Mount of Blessings at Atonement

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**TODAY WE CELEBRATE** as two of our youth, Carl Kaden and Elijah Nault affirm their Baptisms through Confirmation today. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue their faith journey.

**FIRST QUARTER STATEMENTS** are in the narthex of both churches. Please pick up your statement.

**THANK YOU** to the Youth Group, Dani Gow, Shelly Markham, Marie Thomalla, Denise Thomalla and Cheryl Lunde for all your help with the Easter Breakfast! Thank you to everyone who attended to support the youth going to Camp Wapo.

**OUR EASTER SERVICES AND ALTARS** were beautiful. Thank you to everyone who helped and to all who purchased plants to adorn our altars.

**GROWING THROUGH LOSS** – The next session is Monday, April 28 at 7:00pm at Abiding Savior in Mounds View. The topic is "Getting a Grip on Grief" with Maggie Bauer, a grief recovery specialist. Brochures are available in the narthex for more information.

**THE SPRING PLANT SALE** delivery is <u>Wednesday</u>, May 7 at Cross of Glory. Pickup will be from 6pm – 7pm. If the plants arrive early, we will notify you that they can be picked up earlier.

**KITCHEN KUT UPS** presents "Take Good Care of Yourself", a free one-hour variety show featuring songs, costumes & skits on <u>Friday</u>, <u>May 16 at 7:00pm at Atonement</u>. Refreshments will follow the show. All are invited!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for Drive-in/Outdoor Worship at Cross of Glory at 9:30am on Sunday, May 18th - We'll be worshiping outside at 9:30am on Sunday, May 18th with a light luncheon following as we begin our summer worship schedule. There will be food from our neighbor down County Road I, Kusina Restaurant, and we are all invited to bring desserts to share. This event is thanks to the Clergy Renewal Grant that Pastor Cassie and Crossroads have received. Pastor Cassie's sabbatical begins on Thursday, May 22nd.