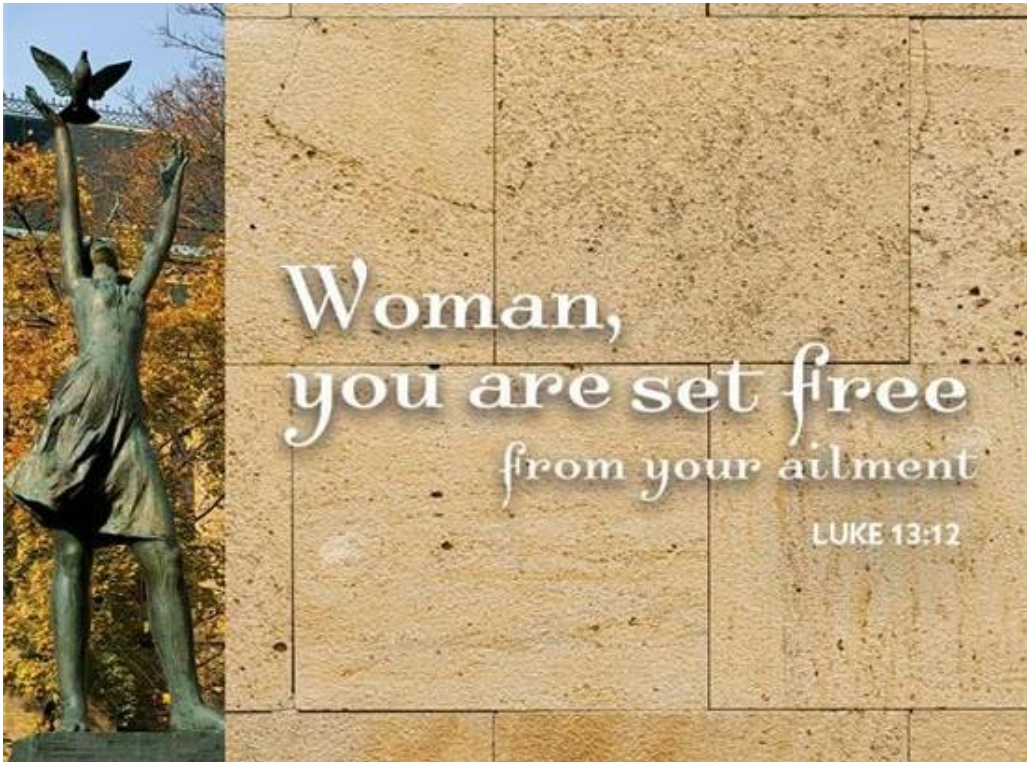


# CROSSROADS

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



August 24, 2025  
11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost



## CROSSROADS PARISH



**Proud to be a Reconciling  
In Christ Community**

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



**ATONEMENT  
LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
New Brighton, MN



**CROSS OF GLORY  
LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Mounds View, MN



**IGLESIA LUTERANA  
CRISTO REY**  
Crossroads Parish

### **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 (on sabbatical)

Pastora Ana Becerra

Ivan Konev – Cross of Glory Accompanist

Matt Verkuilen/ Jon Thomalla – Audio/Visual

Marilyn Goldsworthy/Jaime Verkuilen - Sunday School

Maani Grace – Crossroads Music Coordinator

Deacon Brad Mills

Dawn Saros-Kirk – Office Administrator

Debora Holmes – Atonement Accompanist

Tony Houfek/Alice Sponholz – Audio/Visual

Dani Gow – Youth Group

	<b>9:30 at Atonement</b>
WORSHIP ASSISTANT	Andrea Weatherly
LECTOR	Laurel Nelson
USHER/ACOLYTE	Bonnie Anderson
GREETER	Vicki Klaers
BREAD BAKER	Lynn Miller
COMMUNION SETUP/CLEANUP	Carol Hoiby
COMMUNION SERVERS	Laurel Nelson, Andrea Weatherly, Carol Hoiby
COUNTERS	ALC: Gwen Blomseth, Sally Kline COG: Patsy Thorsbakken, Gretchen Davis

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

*Pastor Cassie is away on her sabbatical, and we continue to keep her in our prayers. A reminder that while she is gone, we can reach out to Pastor Ana Becerra, Deacon Brad, or contact the church office with any questions.*

*Please stand as you are able.*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

*Silence for reflection.*

Merciful God,

**you free us to love others,**

**but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.**

**You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,**

**but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.**

**You surround us with patience, kindness,**

**and generosity,**

**but we grow weary in doing what is right.**

**In your mercy, forgive us.**

**Do not give up on us.**

**Heal us, break our bonds,**

**and show us the path of life. Amen.**

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of ☩ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **Amen.**

### OPENING HYMN

"Morning Has Broken" vv. 1-3

ELW 556

### 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, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer**

**because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

READING: ISAIAH 58:9b-14

<sup>9b</sup> If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, <sup>10</sup> if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. <sup>11</sup> The LORD will guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong, and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail. <sup>12</sup> Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

<sup>13</sup> If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the Sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests or pursuing your own affairs; <sup>14</sup> then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Word of God, word of life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 103:1-8 (Please read responsively)

<sup>1</sup> Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

<sup>2</sup> Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and forget not all God's benefits—

**<sup>3</sup> who forgives all your sins  
and heals all your diseases;**

**<sup>4</sup> who redeems your life from the grave  
and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;**

**<sup>5</sup> who satisfies your desires with good things  
so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.**

<sup>6</sup> O LORD, you provide vindication  
and justice for all who are oppressed.

**<sup>7</sup> You made known your ways to Moses  
and your works to the children of Israel.**

<sup>8</sup> LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

*Please stand as you are able.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Listen, God is Calling!"

GOSPEL: LUKE 13:10-17

The Holy gospel according to Luke.

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

<sup>10</sup> Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. <sup>11</sup> And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup> When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." <sup>13</sup> When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup> But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." <sup>15</sup> But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? <sup>16</sup> And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" <sup>17</sup> When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

The gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

SERMON "Make Sunday Count!"

Pastor Patricia Wicklund

## HYMN OF THE DAY

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

ELW 574

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: "Be Unto Your Name"

OFFERING PRAYER

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

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"

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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

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” vv. 1-4

ELW 858

“Just As I Am, without One Plea” vv. 1-4

ELW 592

COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus’ name. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand as you are able.*

BLESSING

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ☩ bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

“10,000 Reasons”

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

**All: Thanks be to God.**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

*“God’s work. Our hands.”*

This Week at Atonement & Cross of Glory:

Today	9:30 – Worship at Atonement 10am – FCC at Atonement LL Noon – Cristo Rey at Atonement
Monday	8am – Crossroads Bible Study at Atonement
Tuesday	6pm – Zumba at Atonement
Thursday	1pm – Game Day at Atonement 4:30 – Bible Junk Book Journaling
Friday	5pm – New Birth at Cross of Glory
Saturday	9am – New Birth at Cross of Glory 9am – Mount of Blessings at Atonement
Sunday	9:30 – Worship at Atonement Noon – Cristo Rey Worship at Atonement <u>3pm – FCC at Atonement LL</u>

**“GOD’S WORK. OUR HANDS.”** Crossroads is collecting the following for our “God’s Work. Our Hands” service project on September 7th: very gently used (clean, no stains, rips or tears) or new towels (bathroom or kitchen); kitchen utensils. We’ll be donating these items to Bridging. Bridging empowers people to thrive in their homes by providing quality furniture and home goods for those pursuing housing stability.

**SEPTEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> WELCOME BACK CELEBRATION FOR PASTOR CASSIE** - We are celebrating Pastor Cassie's Sabbatical and return on Sept 14th. Cristo Rey will be cooking for us and we are asking all Atonement and Cross of Glory folks to bring a dessert/fruit or vegetable tray/soda or beverage to share after worship at 9:30am at Atonement.

**HELP A NEIGHBOR**, a nonprofit supporting students in the Mounds View School District, has been asked to help provide daily snacks for 500 students this school year. 83,000 snacks are needed and we would greatly appreciate your help in meeting this goal. On or before Sunday, September 14, please bring bags (or boxes) of 1.5 ounce individually packaged pretzels or Cheez-Its to church. If you have any questions, please contact Laurel Nelson at 320-260-5955. Thank you for supporting these students!

**VIRTUAL RECITAL** - On Thursday, September 4th at 7pm, Emily Davis is having a virtual recital! Join the livestream for a half-hour of Bach in celebration of her journey back to being a musician. Access the virtual program via the link below where both the performance livestream link and an archive link can be found. [bit.ly/45UCTPU](https://bit.ly/45UCTPU) (case sensitive)



**REGISTER FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL** – Sunday School begins September 21. Please complete a registration form and submit it to Marilyn Goldsworthy [maylon1@juno.com](mailto:maylon1@juno.com) or to either church office. Forms are in the narthex.

**KING’S KIDS PRESCHOOL FALL REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW!** For details and a registration form, please contact [preschool@atonementlutheran-nb.org](mailto:preschool@atonementlutheran-nb.org) or call 651-633-2240, ext 15.

### **CAMP WAPO OX LAKE RETREAT – OCT 10-11th**

**Who:** All ages are welcome! All Confirmation students are expected to attend.

**Where:** Ox Lake, 5 miles from Camp Wapo's main site - 1442 120th Ave, Amery, WI 54001.

**When:** October 10-11th, 2025. We will depart at 5:30pm on 11th from Cross of Glory (eat dinner before you come) and we will return before dinner at 5pm on the 12th. Breakfast and Lunch are provided. Please bring snacks to share for Friday night.

**What:** S'mores, bonfires, fall weather, hikes, low ropes course, cabin time, card games, and more! Come enjoy the crisp fall weather and the leaves changing together with your faith community. We will be reading bible stories and discussing their impact in our lives today!

**How:** Carpooling to get there! Let us know if you can drive and how many seats you have.

**Cost:** \$35/Person. Make checks out to "Cross of Glory Lutheran" no matter which church you attend (simplify our accounting!).