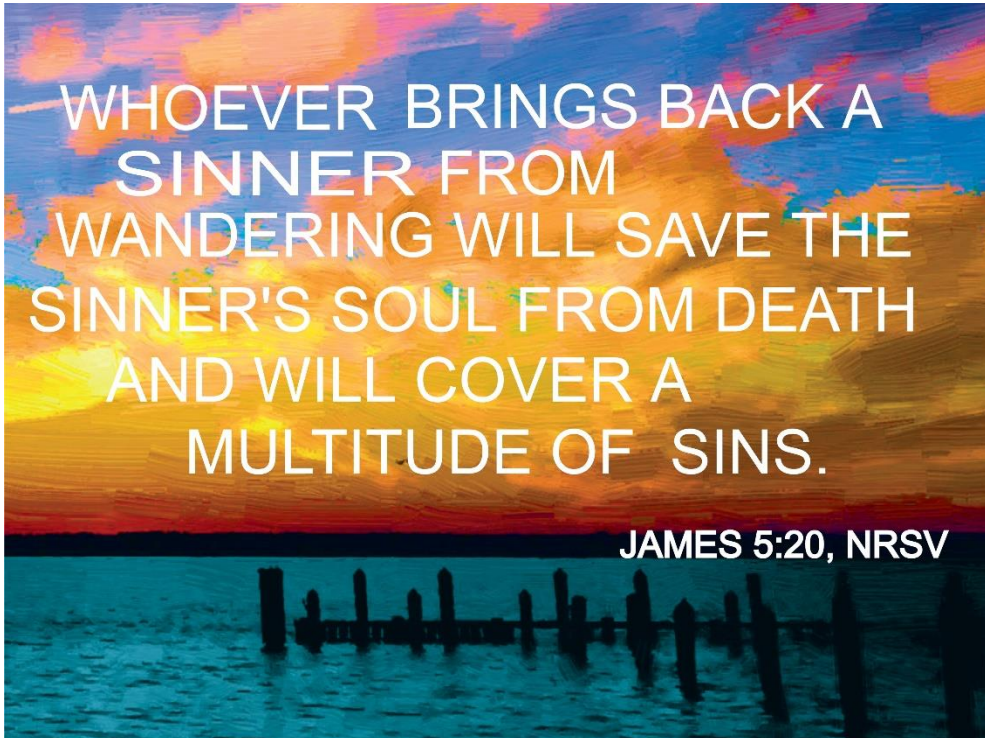


CROSSROADS

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



September 29, 2024
19th Sunday after Pentecost
8:30 Worship at Cross of Glory
10:45 Worship at Atonement
12:00 Cristo Rey at Atonement



**WELCOME TO
CROSSROADS**
Crossroads55112.org



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



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



**IGLESIA LUTERANA
CRISTO REY**
Crossroads Parish

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 - Accompanist
Matt Verkuilen, Jon Thomalla – Audio/Visual
Marilyn Goldsworthy/Jaime Verkuilen - Sunday School

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

	8:30	10:45
WORSHIP ASSISTANT	Jaime Verkuilen	Steve Klaers
LECTOR	Kolleen Olsen	Scott Carlson
USHER/ACOLYTE	Redding/Benson	Carol Hoiby
GREETER	Annette Steichen	Judy Hill
BREAD BAKER	Linda Radtke	Lynn Miller
COMMUNION SETUP/CLEANUP	Linda Radtke	Judy Hill
COMMUNION SERVERS	Linda Radtke, Leslie Bjork	Steve Klaers
COUNTERS	Gretchen Davis, TBD	Tony Houfek, 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

Hymn of the Month: "We Are All One in Christ/Somos uno en Cristo"

WORDS OF WELCOME

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

The singing bowl invites us to a time of silence for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have honored you with our lips,
but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.**

**The cravings at war within us
cause conflicts and disputes.**

**In our desire to be first
we make distinctions among ourselves.**

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

**Draw near to us with grace in time of need,
and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

"Gather Us In" vv. 1-3

ELW 532

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: Generous God, your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

READING: JAMES 5:13-20

¹³Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

¹⁹My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 19:7-14

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

⁸**The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever;
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

¹⁰**More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

¹¹By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹²**Who can detect one's own offenses?
Cleanse me from my secret faults.**

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me;
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL: MARK 9:38-50

The Holy gospel according to Mark.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁸John said to [Jesus], "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

⁴²"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

⁴⁹"For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Cassie Nault

HYMN OF THE DAY

"There Is a Balm in Gilead" vv. 1-3

ELW 614

Please stand as you are able.

L: And now we confess our faith together in the words of "We Are Not Alone", a creed from the Church of Canada.

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 (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: 8:30 Accompanist's Choice

10:45 "Deux Arabesques" by Debussy

Ivan Konev

Laurel Nelson

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **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"

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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...

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMNS

"Beautiful Savior" vv. 1-4

ELW 838

"We Are All One in Christ/Somos uno en Cristo" 2X

ELW 643

COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

BENEDICTION

God all mighty, God most merciful ✠ bless you, keep you, and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

"On Our Way Rejoicing" vv. 1-2

ELW 537

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

All: Thanks be to God.

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 10:45 – Worship at Atonement 11:30 – FACC at Cross of Glory Noon – Cristo Rey at Atonement 3pm – FCC at Atonement
Monday	8am – Crossroads Bible Study 10am – Last Day of Walking Group
Tuesday	6pm – Girl Scouts at Cross of Glory 6:30 – Blessing of the Animals at Atonement 6:30 – Boy Scouts at Cross of Glory
Wednesday	10am – Prayer Shawls Plus at Cross of Glory
Thursday	1pm – Game Day at Atonement 4:30 – Bible Junk Book Journaling at Cross of Glory 6:30 – FACC at Cross of Glory
Friday	5pm – New Birth at Cross of Glory
Saturday	9am – New Birth at Cross of Glory 9am – Mount of Blessings at Atonement 5pm – FACC at Cross of Glory
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THANK YOU to Laurel Nelson for helping again with music today at Atonement!

GROUP PHOTO – Please remain in the sanctuary for a group photo after each service today.

DO YOU LIKE working with numbers? Maybe you can help: we are in need of 3 volunteers from each congregation to serve on an audit committee that will review our finances and double check to make sure all is in order. To volunteer—or to get more information, contact any council member or Pastor Cassie or Deacon Brad.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS – Stop by Atonement at 6:30pm this Tuesday, October 1st to have your pet blessed. Please have pets leashed or crated.

CHOIR REHEARSALS AT ATONEMENT START THIS WEEK! If you would like to be part of a group that will provide choral music this year, please come to Atonement on Wednesday evening, October 2nd at 6:30 for rehearsal. Also, if anyone can help as a temporary accompanist, let us know. See you there!

WORKDAY AT CROSS OF GLORY POSTPONED. Watch for more information for a future date.

PAPER ANGELS CARD MINISTRY – Would you be interested in becoming a volunteer for "Paper Angels", a new monthly card ministry being developed to send cards and notes of welcome, encouragement, get well wishes, congratulations, etc. to let members and guests know someone is thinking of them? Cards, stamps and names of receivers will be provided. Members of this ministry can work from home, in the evening or whenever you have a few minutes. Let Dawn Saros-Kirk (dawn@crossroads55112.org) know if you are interested in becoming a "Paper Angel".

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY OF FOOD DRIVE FOR “EVERY MEAL” - Thank you to everyone who donated food!

INTERGENERATIONAL RETREAT at OX LAKE (Part of Camp Wapo)

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

Where: Ox Lake, 5 miles from Camp Wapo's main site in Amery, Wisconsin.

When: October 11-12th, 2024. We will depart at 5:30pm on the 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: Smores, 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

Bring: Sleeping bag and pillow. Clothes for outdoor wear weather depending. Snacks to share. Good shoes for field games or hiking if you want. Your own mug for coffee or hot cocoa. Flashlight. Rain jacket.

WINTER COAT DRIVE THROUGH OCTOBER 13TH – Bring in your gently used and in good repair winter coats. All sizes are needed. Please make sure they are clean and check that the zippers are working. Donations can be hung in the coat rack area of both churches. We are also accepting clean scarves, mittens, snowpants and winter boots. NEW hats only please.

COAT DRIVE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – If anyone is available to help bring the coats collected from Atonement and Cross of Glory to Christ the King on Friday evening, October 18, please let Dawn know.

The coat drive is also looking for people who can help sort on Friday night or help as a greeter 9am – 11am, work a shift 9:30am – 12:15pm or 12pm – 2:30pm on Saturday, October 19. They can use a couple of helpers from each church.

2024 HOLIDALE BOUTIQUE - Saturday, November 2nd 9am-3pm at Atonement – Planning has begun! Dust off your craft skills and recipes for soups, jams and baked goods. This year we are also asking you to dust off your phone books! In addition to our crafts, baked goods, cafe, and raffle baskets; new this year, we will be inviting local vendors of handmade crafts to join us to enhance our available craft items. Vendor tables will be available to rent for \$35 each. Call your crafty friends and have them connect with us to complete an application. Vendor applications can be found in the narthex of both churches. Thank you!

GROWING THROUGH LOSS SERIES – The fifth in the six-part series is October 1, “Multiple Losses” with Julie Ditzler, Retired Long-Term Care Educator and Nurse. Brochures are available in the narthex.

REMINDER: Newsletter articles, information, or ministry assistant schedule requests are due to the office by the **THIRD** Monday of each month for next month’s newsletter. Announcements for the bulletin are due by Wednesday each week.

DID YOU KNOW?

“The National Day of Remembrance for Indian Boarding Schools in the United States is Monday, September 30. Many will wear orange in remembrance. It originated in Canada as the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation in 2021 when the Government of Canada passed a bill making it a federal holiday. Canada has done work in healing its Indigenous people and the trauma inflicted by residential schools by designating a day to honor the survivors, their families, and communities.

Why do we need a Day of Remembrance?

Residential or boarding schools inflicted trauma on Indigenous children that is still being felt today, generations later. Indigenous children were taken from their families, some as young as four years old. These children were often put on trains and taken as far away from their community as possible. Many of these children died and were buried on the grounds of the schools. Many that survived were no longer accepted in their own communities. Many of these children were forced to believe in Christianity and weren’t allowed to speak their language, sing their songs, or dance their ceremonial dances. This forced erasure of Indigenous culture is still felt in every tribal nation across the country.” (Taken from [ELCA.com/ELCA Blogs/ELCA Racial Justice](https://elca.com/ELCA-Blogs/ELCA-Racial-Justice))

LOOKING AHEAD

Oct 9 – 6:30 pm Bingo at Cross of Glory

Oct 11 – Intergeneration Retreat

Oct 13 – Faith and Blue Sunday

Oct 20 – Special Guest Michael Zoughbi

Oct 22 – 5:30 – 7pm Trick or Trunk at Cross of Glory

Oct 26 – 9am Lefse Worship at Atonement

Oct 31 – 9am Wild Rice Soup Workshop at Atonement

Nov 1 – 6pm Caramel Roll Workshop at ALC

Nov 2 - 9am – 3pm Holidale Boutique at Atonement