

# CROSSROADS

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



May 4, 2025  
Third Sunday of Easter



## 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 Lutherana 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

	<b>8:30</b>	<b>10:45</b>
WORSHIP ASSISTANT	Gretchen Davis	TBD
LECTOR	Jaime Verkuilen	Virginia Cahow
USHER/ACOLYTE	Jeff Olson	Judy Hill
GREETER	Paula Reed	Carol Tilden
BREAD BAKER	No Communion	
COMMUNION SETUP/CLEANUP	No Communion	
COMMUNION SERVERS	No Communion	
COUNTERS	Bob Reed, Gretchen Davis	Gwen Blomseth, Royce Kling

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

PRELUDE - "Morning Has Broken"

"CRAWL"

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 ✠ 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 our baptismal promises.

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. We live our baptisms out, do or do not, there is no try for in Christ we find our strength.

**All: I am one with the Lord and the Lord is with me.**

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. We live our baptisms out, do or do not, there is no try for in Christ we find our strength.

**All: I am one with the Lord and the Lord is with me.**

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. We live our baptisms out, do or do not, there is no try for in Christ we find our strength.

**All: I am one with the Lord and the Lord is with me.**

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these living 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

"O Master, Let Me Walk with You" vv. 1-4

ELW 818

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, & the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all and May the Fourth be with you!

**All: And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray,

**All: May the Force, in the form of God's grace and guidance, be with us. May we find the light and trust in it, as the Jedi did. May we avoid the darkness and temptation that can lead to despair. Always sharing what we have learned and the love of God with others. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## CATECHISM MOMENT

Deacon Brad Mills

*Please stand as you are able.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Alleluia"

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## GOSPEL: JOHN 21:1-19

The Holy gospel according to John.

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

<sup>1</sup> After [he appeared to his followers in Jerusalem,] Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup> Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. <sup>3</sup> Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

<sup>4</sup> Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup> He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. <sup>7</sup> That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. <sup>8</sup> But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

<sup>9</sup> When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup> Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." <sup>11</sup> So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup> Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup> Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. <sup>14</sup> This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

<sup>15</sup> When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." <sup>16</sup> A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." <sup>17</sup> He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. <sup>18</sup> Very

truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.” <sup>19</sup> (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, “Follow me.”

The gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

SERMON

Deacon Brad Mills

*Please stand as you are able.*

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Earth and All Stars!” vv. 1-5

ELW 731

APOSTLES’ CREED

L: I swear on my name and the names of the ancestors that I shall walk the Way of Jesus and the words of the Creed shall be forever forged in my heart. This is the Way...

**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: I am one with the Lord.

**All: And the Lord is with me.**

## 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 4<sup>th</sup> be with you!

**All: And also with you.**

L: Share the peace with your neighbor with a Wookiee hug or whatever normal way you would like!

*Please be seated.*

## OFFERING

Offertory Music: 8:30 “Leia’s Theme”

10:45 “Christ Is Risen, Alleluia”

Atonement Choir

## OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”

ELW 185

## OFFERING PRAYER

In all the galaxies, systems, and planets we find ourselves here on this earth with blue waters, green hills, and one beautiful moon and sun. We have been given so many gifts and with a happy and peaceful heart we give back a small part of all that. We ask that you guide us to be good stewards and we give you thanks for these gifts. **Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand as you are able.*

## BLESSING

Lord, May we have the wisdom of Yoda, the strength of a Wookiee, a warm heart to survive being frozen in carbonite, the friendliness of an Ewok and may you illuminate our path with the light of the twin suns of Tatooine. From Ephesus to Endor. From Antioch to Alderaan. From Damascus to Dagobah. Lord, when we are doubtful, whisper in our ears, “ I am your father” and keep us from the dark side. Let us know that your spirit, your force is with us always. **Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

“Christ, Be Our Light” vv. 1-5

ELW 715

## DISMISSAL

L: Whether your travels are here or take you to a galaxy far, far way – go in peace and serve the Risen Lord!

**All: Thanks be to God.**

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 Noon – Cristo Rey Worship at Atonement
Monday	8am – Crossroads Bible Study at Atonement 1pm – ABCD Book Discussion at Atonement 1pm – Kitchen Kut Ups at Atonement
Tuesday	Church Offices Closed 6pm – Girls Scouts at Cross of Glory 6:30pm – Boy Scouts at Cross of Glory
Wednesday	Church Offices Closed 10am – Prayer Shawls Plus at Cross of Glory 6:00 – Plant Sale Pick up at Cross of Glory (will notify of an earlier delivery) 6:30 - Atonement Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	9:30 – Mary Circle at Atonement 10am – Naomi Circle at Cross of Glory 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 9am - New Birth at Cross of Glory
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**THE CHURCH OFFICES** will be closed this Tuesday & Wednesday, May 6-7.

**SPRING PLANT SALE** delivery is **THIS Wednesday, 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. If you are unable to pick up your plants, please be sure to have someone get them for you. We are not responsible for plants not picked up. **Volunteers**, delivery is scheduled between 12-5pm if you are available to help. Thank you!

**ABCD MEETS TOMORROW AT 1:00 pm** - The Atonement Book Club Daytime discussion group will be held in the Fellowship Hall at Atonement Lutheran Church on **Monday, May 5 at 1:00 pm**. We will discuss ***A Thousand Naked Strangers*** (non fiction) by Kevin Hazzard. On June 2 we will discuss ***The Heaven and***

**Earth Grocery Store** by James McBride. People from Atonement, Cross of Glory and Cristo Rey are welcome. You can attend all of the discussions or only those that interest you. Please bring your own beverage.

**KITCHEN KUT UPS** presents “Take Good Care of Yourself”, a free one-hour variety show featuring songs, costumes & skits on Friday, May 16 at 7:00pm at Atonement. 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 18<sup>th</sup>** - We'll be worshipping outside at 9:30am on Sunday, May 18th with a light luncheon following as we begin our summer worship schedule. There will be a community meal from our neighbor down County Road I, Kusina Restaurant, **and we are all invited to bring desserts to share. We could also use some volunteers to help in the kitchen and with clean-up. Please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex.** 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.

**GROWING THROUGH LOSS** – The next session is a Service of Comfort and Healing with worship leaders from Abiding Savior on Monday, May 12 at 7:00pm at Abiding Savior in Mounds View. Brochures are available in the narthex for more information. GTL has been extended by one week to make up for the cancelled session due to weather concerns.

**THANK YOU FROM JIM NELSON** – Thank you to everyone for the ongoing expressions of concern and reaching out to me in various ways. Your thoughtfulness, concern and care are very much appreciated.