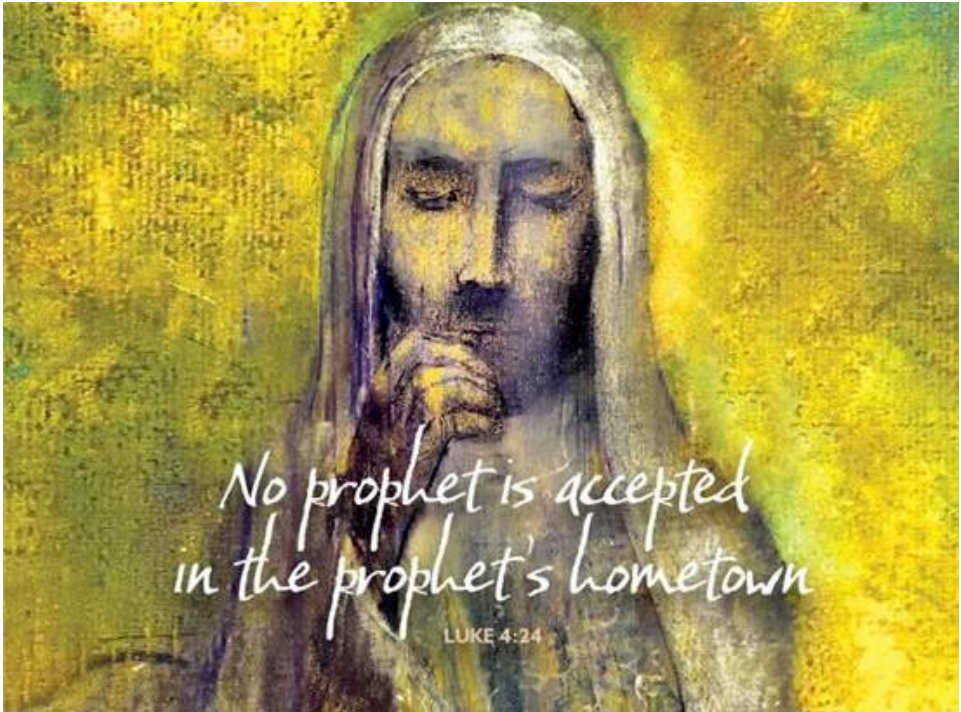


CROSSROADS

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



February 2, 2025

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
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 – Cross of Glory Accompanist
Matt Verkuilen/ Jon Thomalla – Audio/Visual
Marilyn Goldsworthy/Jaime Verkuilen - Sunday School
Hymn Selection – Gretchen Davis

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	Jaime Verkuilen	Wayne Haselhorst
LECTOR	Gretchen Davis	Bruce Jahnke
USHER/ACOLYTE	Leslie Bjork	Lindsey Fabian
GREETER	Jeanne Boyle	Kevin & Gwen Blomseth
BREAD BAKER	No Communion	
COMMUNION SETUP/CLEANUP	No Communion	
COMMUNION SERVERS	No Communion	
COUNTERS	Bob Reed, Gretchen Davis	Gwen Blomseth, Bruce Jahnke

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.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life. **Amen.**

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

Silence for reflection.

Merciful God,

you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

**Forgive us for the ways we act
with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.**

**We ignore the needs of our neighbors;
we resist your call to oppose injustice;
we give in to scarcity and fear;
we assume the worst about one another.**

**Cleanse us from our faults
and release us from their grasp.**

Show us your lovingkindness.

**Restore our hearts and repair your world,
that we may live in Christ's ways.**

Amen.

God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In † Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

"Rise, Shine, You People!" vv. 1-4

ELW 665

KYRIE

"Lord, Be Glorified" vv. 1-4 – *February Hymn of the Month*

ELW 744

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: Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

CATECHISM MOMENT

Deacon Brad Mills

SPECIAL MUSIC (10:45 Only)

“Confidence” by Mendelssohn

Leah Fabian

FIRST READING: MALACHI 3:1-4

¹See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. ²But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner’s fire and like fullers’ soap; ³he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. ⁴Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 2:14-18

¹⁴Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, [Jesus] himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. ¹⁶For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. ¹⁷Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. ¹⁸Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL: LUKE 4:21-30

The Holy gospel according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹ Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” ²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” ²³ He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’” ²⁴ And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. ²⁵ But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; ²⁶ yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷ There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” ²⁸ When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹ They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. ³⁰ But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Cassie Nault

HYMN OF THE DAY

“He Comes to Us as One Unknown” vv. 1-5

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Please stand as you are able.

L: And now we confess our faith together in the words of the “Apostles’ Creed”.

APOSTLES’ CREED

**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: 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...

REMINDER OF GOD'S PEACE – *During cold & flu season, we refrain from sharing a sign of peace.*

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

All: And also with you.

L: Please be seated.

OFFERING

Offertory Music: 8:30 "How Good, Lord, to Be Here!"
10.45 "God So Loved the World"

Ivan Konev
Atonement Choir

OFFERING PRAYER

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

BENEDICTION

The Spirit of the triune God ✠ bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing" vv. 1-3

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DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Live in hope.

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 10am – FCC at Atonement LL 10:45 – Worship at Atonement 11:30 – FACC at Cross of Glory Noon – Cristo Rey at Atonement
Monday	8am – Crossroads Bible Study at Atonement 1pm – ABCD at Atonement
Tuesday	6pm – Girl Scouts at Cross of Glory 6:30 – Boy Scouts at Cross of Glory
Wednesday	10am – Prayer Shawls Plus at Cross of Glory 6:30 – Atonement Choir Rehearsal
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 – Mount of Blessings at Atonement 9am - New Birth at Cross of Glory 6pm – FACC at Cross of Glory
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WELCOME DEBORA! We welcome Debora Holmes as our accompanist at Atonement. Please take a moment to welcome her.

PAPER ANGELS – Did you know we have a new card ministry called Paper Angels? Once a month, we mail cards to keep in touch with our homebound members and for other occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, get well, sympathy or thanks for visiting. Please be sure your birthday and anniversary dates are updated with the office to receive a card. If you have unused cards you'd like to donate, we'd love to take them, just drop them off at either church office.

DO YOU SMELL POPCORN?? Well, you will if you are at Atonement on Sunday, February 9, Super Bowl Sunday. The popcorn crew will once again be making and selling popcorn in the fellowship hall after

church. You can enjoy the Super Bowl (if that's your cup of tea) or the Puppy Bowl (if you want to watch cute puppies) with freshly popped popcorn. Free will offering will go toward the church budget.

CAMP WAPO BIBLE CAMP – Families should have received an email this week with the link and some information about registering for Camp Wapo. Our Crossroads Parish camp dates are: June 15-20 for Wapo Youth Camp, completed grades 4-9; June 20-22 for Seeds Summer Camp, completed grades 1-3. Registration is open through February 15 for a reserved Crossroads spot. After that date, registration is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Friends are welcome to register too. There will be fundraising opportunities with information coming soon.

THANKS TO EVERYONE who brought food for our Annual Meeting lunches and to both our councils, staff and committee members for their help. Thanks to all who attended both meetings.

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, February 3 at 1:00 pm**. We will discuss *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks. On March 3 we will discuss *Fifty Years on the Old Frontier* a biography by James H Cook. 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.

TO BE OR NOT TO BE.... 2025 RUMMAGE/BAKE SALE AT ATONEMENT - Is there interest? Is there excitement? Do you have stuff you would love to donate? Are there many hands to make light work? Potential dates being considered are April 24-26 or May 1-3. Please connect with Carol Hoiby or Cheryl Lunde if you are interested. Keep an eye out for future announcements for more details.

LENTEN CONNECTION GROUPS SIGN UP – This Lenten season, let us turn again to God, by connecting with God's Word, attending to our faith practices, and turning to each other in friendship and service. To facilitate this, we are bringing back Crossroads Connection Groups which will be meeting throughout the weeks of Lent. These groups will meet weekly for about an hour, depending on the group and at whatever time and place works for you during the week. The Puzzle and Yoga groups are returning. It's a short commitment - only during the weeks of Lent. If you have an idea of a group you'd like to lead, please sign up in the narthex at either church.

DO YOU HAVE MAGAZINES LYING AROUND? If so, our Bible Junk Book Journaling group can use them. We cut out photos and words and would appreciate your magazines you no longer need. Please leave them with either church office. Thank you!

THRIVENT MEMBERS - If you are a Thrivent member, you are eligible to apply for two Thrivent Action Team Grants up to \$250 to be used for fundraisers, volunteer opportunities, educational events, or meals. The application is simple and quick. If you would like to apply for a Thrivent Action Team Grant to benefit one of the ministries of Crossroads Parish, please contact the church office.