



SUNDAY – December 11, 2022

"Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker." [Psalm 95:6]

8:15 am **Traditional Worship Service – Sanctuary**

9:30 am **Adult Discipleship – Rooms 209/210/211**

Children's Sunday School – Rooms 113/118/216/217/218/223

Junior & Senior High Sunday School – Room 120

10:45 am **Contemporary Worship Service – Great Commission Room**

IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

HARRISON LAWRENCE RECEPTION FAREWELL: Join us at Café Cross View immediately after the first service today as we honor and celebrate Harrison's service at Cross View. We wish him God's richest blessings on the next chapter in his life.

CROSS VIEW GAME NIGHT! Join us for fun and fellowship tonight, December 11, from 6:30 – 8:30 pm in Rooms 209/210. Questions? Contact **John Daenzer** (johndaenzer@gmail.com) or **Michael Kibat** (mgkibat@centurylink.net). Register for this [event](#) at CV Connect or at the Event Registration kiosks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS:

- **December 19 – 23:** Office open 9:00 am – 4:30 pm
- **December 26 – 30:** Office open 9:00 am – 4:30 pm
- **January 2:** Office closed

CROSS VIEW HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

- **Christmas Eve, December 24:** 1:00 pm Traditional Service, 3:00 pm Contemporary Service, 5:00 pm Traditional Service
- **Christmas Day, December 25:** 9:30 am Traditional Christmas Single Service (with communion, no Bible classes)
- **Sunday, January 1:** 9:30 am Traditional Single Service (no Bible classes)
- **Sunday, January 8:** Regular Schedule Resumes

2022 YEAR-END OFFERINGS DEADLINE: IRS regulations make it very clear that for a contribution to be credited to the 2022 tax year, it must be received on Cross View's premises by December 30 or postmarked no later than midnight on December 31, 2022. Dropping it off in January with a December date on the check does not qualify. Please note that the church office will be open Friday, December 30, from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm. Thank you for your attention to this important detail.

MISSING A WATER BOTTLE, NOTEBOOK, OR OTHER ITEM? Check the lost and found bins located on top of the coat rack across from the church office. Also, check to see if you left a jacket hanging up. Items still there at the end of the year will be donated.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

Questions for staff? Contact...

Interim Family Minister to Children & Youth: Barbara Coffin (barb@crossview.net; 952-243-2062)

Youth Ministry: (youth@crossview.net)

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL: Today's topic: The kingdom divides in 1 Kings 11:28-12:24. Bible verse to memorize: 2 Chronicles 7:14. Bible point: Choose to follow God. What to talk about at home: Is there some way you are not obeying God in your life right now?

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL (Grades 7 – 12): Today, we start our 2-week series on Leadership Context. This week's focus is where you are led. We will look at Old and New Testament examples.

YOUTH GROUP (Grades 9 – 12): Onsite tonight at 6:30 pm. See you there!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULTS

Questions for staff? Contact...

Interim Director, Outreach & Adult Ministries: Amy Gundermann (amy@crossview.net; 952-243-2049)

Music & Fine Arts Ministry: Sue Quist (sue@crossview.net; 952-243-2048)

A Clear View of the Birth of Jesus

Sundays, November 27 – December 18, 9:30 – 10:30 am (Rooms 209/210/211)

Perhaps no story in all of scripture is more familiar than the Christmas story of Luke 2. With such familiarity, it's easy for even the most seasoned of Biblical students to make assumptions of the text based on what they think they know. It's easy for one to "read-into" the text, rather than to read the text. In the class, we will join Middle Eastern scholar Kenneth Bailey for four video lectures followed by Bible study and discussion. We will take a fresh look at the text, attempting to strip away "additions" that have crept in over the centuries, recapturing the beauty and simplicity of the birth of Christ. Join us as Pastor Wheeler and Phil Johnson lead the discussion. *Register for this [onsite](#) class at CV Connect or the Event Registration kiosks.* Questions? Contact **Phil Johnson** (philj23@gmail.com).

Measured by Grace – NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Monday, January 9, 9:30 am (Room 218)

We will be starting a new study on "Measured by Grace" by Sharla Fritz. The focus of this study is how God measures our worth: by His Grace and not as the world does. This Bible Study meets on the first Monday of the month except in January. Questions? Contact **Marcy Nordhus** (mpnordhus@gmail.com). *Register for this [onsite](#) class at CV Connect or at the Event Registration kiosks.*

Altogether Beautiful: A Study of Song of Songs – NEW WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays, January 10 – February 28, 7:00 – 8:30 pm (On Zoom)

We are all beautiful because of who we are in Christ! In this 8-week study, we will dig into Song of Songs with Heidi Goehmann following her study book and videos. The study book can be found online at Amazon or Concordia Publishing House. Questions? Contact **Emily Hawkins** (612-618-3903 or ehawk4@gmail.com). Register for this [online](#) class at CV Connect or at the Event Registration kiosks.

Community Light School of Discipleship (CLSD)

Thursdays, September 15 – April 27, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

A free community Bible study for equipping God’s people with His resources so that you might “go” and make disciples wherever God has planted you. From December 1 – February 9 (No classes on December 22 and 29), the topic will be “Stories for Witness” with Dr. Dean Nadasdy, President Emeritus, MN South District, LCMS. Register for the [onsite/online/on demand](#) class at CV Connect or the Event Registration kiosks.

WOMEN’S BOOK CLUB: We will meet at church on Monday, December 19, at 1:00 pm in Room 120 to discuss *Comfort and Joy* by Kristin Hannah. Lower level doors will be open. Questions or interested in joining? Contact **Marcy Nordhus** (mpnordhus@gmail.com).

POBLO SEEKS VOLUNTEERS: The POBLO International Friendship Center at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church in Bloomington is in need of additional volunteers to teach ESL classes, computer classes, and help with childcare. If you have a heart for meeting the needs of immigrants and refugees in our community with the love of Jesus, sign up to get involved! Please contact **Shari Schulze** (612-552-3878 or shari@poblo.org) or visit their website at www.poblotwincities.org/volunteer.

THIS WEEK AT CROSS VIEW

Church office hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

MONDAY, 12/12	BSF Leaders' Meeting	9:15 am
	Small Group Bible Study – <i>Lobby</i>	1:15 pm
TUESDAY, 12/13	Small Group Bible Study – <i>Room 213</i>	7:00 am
	Bible Study Fellowship (BSF)	12:30 pm
	Small Group Bible Study – <i>Room 213</i>	5:15 pm
	Church Council – <i>Room 213</i>	6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY, 12/14	Abiding Word Small Group – <i>Room 213</i>	10:30 am
	Small Group Bible Study – <i>Room 213</i>	1:00 pm
	Confirmation	6:30 pm
	Kidstitute	6:30 pm
	Full Choir Rehearsal – <i>Sanctuary</i>	6:30 pm
THURSDAY, 12/15	Small Group Bible Study – <i>Rooms 209/210</i>	9:30 am
	ECC Christmas Program – <i>Sanctuary</i>	5:15 pm
	Community Light	6:30 pm
SUNDAY, 12/18	Traditional Service – <i>Sanctuary</i>	8:15 am
	Discipleship Hour	9:30 am
	Contemporary Service – <i>GCR</i>	10:45 am

"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful." [Colossians 4:2]

THIS WEEK, CROSS VIEW'S STAFF AND CONGREGATION WILL PRAY FOR:

Monday: *Chuck and Liz Standfuss*

Tuesday: *Lee and Libby Stapf (Megan, Hailey)*

Wednesday: *Brad and Eileen Starr*

Thursday: *Brooke Stauffer*

Friday: *Sandy Steers*

Saturday: *Brett and Kristin Horvath (Madeline, Michael, Jackson) – ECC*

Sunday: *Chris and Emily Hubert (Quinn, Wyatt) – ECC*

PRAYER CHAIN...*If you have a prayer to share, please call the church office, use the Prayer Request space when you sign in to online worship, or email **Sue Hanson**, prayer chain coordinator (email: hansons96@gmail.com).*

IMPLIED CONSENT...*During Cross View worship services and events, we may take photos or videos and these may be used as a part of an article or news item in hard copy or on the website. Personal names will not be used without consent of the individual or parent, should the image be of a minor. If you do not wish an image to be used, please notify us and it will be removed as soon as practically possible.*