SUNDAY - November 26, 2023

"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 Hour – Rooms 210-211

Children's Sunday School – *Rooms* 113/118/216/217/223 Junior & Senior High Sunday School – *Rooms* 120/122

CV Connect Assistance – Room 213

10:45 am Contemporary Worship Service – Great Commission Room (GCR)

IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

NATIVITYFEST – A FAMILY-FRIENDLY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION! Saturday, December 2, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Our Christmas outreach event is a great way to kick off the Advent season! The activities will point to Jesus as the reason for the season with something for everyone to enjoy. We will have a live nativity, crafts, treats, story time, and more. We will need lots of helpers, so check out CV Connect for ways to volunteer! Also, sign up to donate a package of cookies to be served as treats during the event by visiting the display in the lobby. Take a paper cookie with you and sign up on the stand next to the display. Contact Amy Gundermann (amy@crossview.net) or Barb Coffin (barb@crossview.net) with questions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

STEWARDSHIP OF SKILLS AND INTERESTS: How is the Lord calling you to use your gifts at church? As we focus on stewardship this month, take the time to pray about this and then complete the Skills and Interests survey (previously referred to as Time and Talents). You can complete the survey by visiting the "Serving" tab on CV Connect or by completing a paper form which can be found at the Registration Desk in the lobby. "Skills" refer to areas where you have specialized training, and "Interests" refer to areas where you simply have a willingness to serve. We will use this information for future volunteer opportunities at Cross View. With family accounts, you can find "Skills and Interests" under the "Personal Information" tab of each person's profile. If you have questions on how to access the survey, contact Amy Gundermann (amy@crossview.net). May Jesus be glorified in all that we do!

CALLING ALL CHRISTMAS DECORATORS: Get into the Christmas spirit while preparing our church for the Advent and Christmas season. Refreshments will be provided. Questions? Call or email Marian Kratzke at 952-941-1094 or marian@crossview.net.

 Saturday, December 23, 9:00 am – 11:00 am: Decorate our worship spaces with live poinsettias

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU: White bean chicken chili, elote corn, chips, salad and dessert. Registration and payment is required by 9:00 am on the Monday prior to the meal so that we can get the meal count to the caterer. Please register and pay on CV Connect to reserve your spot. Our caterer provides ten extra meals for walkins and these are first-come, first-served so come early if you forgot to register.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB: Monday December 18, 1:00 pm (Room 120)

We will meet at the church to discuss *Hello, Sunshine* by Laura Dave. Lower level doors will be open. Please feel free to join as new members are always welcome.

UPCOMING ADVENT BIBLE CLASS – THE CASE FOR CHRISTMAS: Consulting experts on the Bible, archaeology, and messianic prophecy, this class, led by Pastor Reed, searches out the true identity of the child in the manger. Join this Lee Strobel video study as he asks the tough, pointed questions you'd expect from an award-winning legal journalist. The Case for Christmas invites you to consider why Christmas matters in the first place. Somewhere beyond the traditions of the holiday lies the truth. It may be more compelling than you've realized. Weigh the facts . . . and decide for yourself.

CARE PORTAL FAMILIES

As we assist families in crisis, we pray for strength, support and grace in their time of need. Specifically, we pray for the following families directly impacted by our donations:

- Pregnant single mom with 2 boys (one son awaiting a transplant)
- Single mom with 2 special needs children starting out in a new apartment
- Single mom who is going through a domestic violence situation with 4 year old daughter
- Mom of 16 year old daughter and 4 yr old son
- Single mom of 5 girls (16, 11, 10, 8, 2), life of domestic violence, homelessness and other issues. Now stable & sober for 9 years.
- Single mom with 2 boys, both with learning disabilities
- Father, mother and 3 year old son who is autistic
- Single mother and 9 year old daughter recently got into housing.
- Single mom with 1 year old son currently living in a shelter
- Maternal Grandma who is legal guardian for grandson's 6 & 5 year olds and granddaugher's 3 year old. Mother passed away recently.
- Mom of boys 12 & 6 and girls 5 & 1 homeless and living in a shelter

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULTS

Questions for staff? Contact...

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

Money Matters (Rooms 209-211)

Sundays, November 5 – November 26, 9:30 – 10:30 am, taught by Pastor Steve & Pastor Reed

The Case for Christmas (Rooms 209-211)

Sundays, December 3 – December 17, 9:30 – 10:30 am, taught by Pastor Reed

Community Light School of Discipleship: Hope Revealed – Revelation Part 2 (GCR) Wednesdays, 6:30 – 8:00 pm, taught by Pastor Nadasdy.

The Chosen - Youth and Adult Study (Room 120)

Wednesdays, 6:30 – 8:00 pm, taught by Amy Gundermann.

For full descriptions of all Bible studies, please visit Cross View's website at https://www.crossview.net/ministries/adult_bible_study.cfm.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN AND 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: Lot and Abram divide the land in Genesis 13. Bible verse to memorize: Proverbs 3:5. Bible point: God wants us to get along and put others first. What to talk about at home: As a family, talk about some ways for you to put someone other than yourself first this week.

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL (Grades 7 – 12): This week we study the brothers Jacob and Esau, and how it shows us how God can use anyone to accomplish His plans.

THIS WEEK AT CROSS VIEW

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

TUESDAY, 11/28	Bible Study Fellowship Praise Team Rehearsal – <i>GCR</i>	12:30 pm 6:00 pm
WEDNESDAY, 11/29	Midweek Recharge Meal – <i>Rooms 210-211</i> Women's Choir Rehearsal Midweek Recharge Discipleship Adult Choir Rehearsal	5:15 pm 5:45 pm 6:30 pm 7:15 pm
SUNDAY, 12/3	Traditional Service – <i>Sanctuary</i> Discipleship Hour Contemporary Service – <i>GCR</i> Youth Group – <i>Room 120</i>	8:15 am 9:30 am 10:45 am 6:30 pm

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

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

Monday: Tom & Lynn Pahl (Sam, Will & Daniel)

Tuesday: Joshua & Megan Paulsen (Nathaniel, Peter & Liliana)

Wednesday: Luke & Christine Peikert (Carter)

Thursday: Par & Mary Peterson **Friday**: Bill & Suzanne Petri

Saturday: Eric Nelson & Cassie Anderson (Maja & Leif) – ECC Sunday: Patrick & Tara Nelson (Lauren, Patrick & Molly) – 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.