



CROSS VIEW THIS WEEK

SUNDAY – December 10, 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 Christmas Celebration Practice – GCR
	Junior & Senior High Sunday School – Rooms 120/122
10:45 am	Children’s Christmas Celebration – Great Commission Room (GCR)
3:30 pm	Jr Youth Christmas Party – Room 122
6:00 pm	Sr Youth Christmas Party – Room 120
6:30 pm	Cross View Game Night – Lobby

IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION: Our children have been working hard for a very fun and engaging Christmas Celebration that will be held TODAY at the 10:45 am service in the GCR. They will be telling the story of Christmas in a fun and new way. Please join us!

THANK YOU, NATIVITYFEST TEAM! NativityFest was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who volunteered and donated cookies for this extra special celebration of Jesus’ birth. The live nativity was especially memorable for our guests as kids of all ages approached the manger with wonder. Over 300 people came together for this outreach event and it would not have been possible without the help of each of our 53 volunteers! Thank you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS:

- **December 18 – 22:** Office open 9:00 am – 4:30 pm
- **December 25:** Office closed
- **December 26 – 29:** Office open 9:00 am – 4:30 pm
- **January 1:** 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 (No am services, No Bible classes)
- **Christmas Day, December 25:** 9:30 am Traditional Christmas Single Service (with communion)
- **Sunday, December 31:** 9:30 am Traditional Single Service (no Bible classes)

WELCOME KIT – LOVING OUR NEWEST NEIGHBORS: Our congregation is collecting items during the month of December to bless a refugee family of five as they get settled in Minnesota. We are creating a Welcome Kit through Arrive Ministries which will include many of the household basics a family would need. Check out the display in the lobby during the month of December to sign up and bring donated items to church by January 1. Add a Welcome Kit item to your Christmas shopping list or invite your small group to purchase an item together. All donations must be new. In addition to the specific items listed on the display, the Sunday School children are invited to donate cleaning supplies and the youth will be collecting hygiene items for the family.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU: Chicken tetrazzini, green bean almandine, garden 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 walk-ins and these are first-come, first-served so come early if you forgot to register. (No meals December 20 and 27)

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

MEN’S MINISTRY: “Loving God by Loving Others. Serving God by Serving Others.” Last October we gathered for food, fellowship and a motivational presentation by Mike Max. As announced then, our next big event is to come together to serve God’s children by packing food at the Feed My Starving Children site in Chanhassen on Saturday, January 13 at 9:00 am. We have an ambitious goal of 100 volunteers. If we reach that goal we will pack enough food to feed 60+ children for an entire year. You can register on CV Connect, at the registration kiosk, or by emailing Dan Battcher at dtbattcher@gmail.com. Mark your calendars and start making a list of who you will bring along.

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.

WOMEN’S MINISTRY ON FACEBOOK: Scan the QR code with your smart phone to join the Cross View Women’s Ministry Facebook page.



JOIN A SMALL GROUP! At Cross View, we know being a member of a small group can be transformational. Groups spend time together in God's Word, share life's joys and challenges, pray for one another, and serve others like Jesus did. If you'd like to join a group or become a small group leader, please contact Amy Gundermann at amy@crossview.net or complete the [interest form on our website](#).

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULTS

Questions for staff? Contact...

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

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 Dean 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: The kids will be practicing for their Christmas program during the Sunday School hour this week. The practice will be held in the GCR.

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL (Grades 7 – 12): This week our Bible study considers the story of Joseph and examines the source of his success in Egypt.

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:

- Single father, 12-year-old daughter, 9, 7, and 5-year-old sons. Dad is very hardworking and maintains a full-time job doing maintenance for his housing complex.
- Mom and 3 children ages 15, 10, and 7, low income, Section 8, moved to stable housing.
- Dad, mom and 4 children moved into new home.

THIS WEEK AT CROSS VIEW

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

TUESDAY, 12/12	Bible Study Fellowship	12:30 pm
	Praise Team Rehearsal – GCR	6:00 pm
	Church Council Meeting – Room 209	6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY, 12/13	Midweek Recharge Meal – Rooms 210-211	5:15 pm
	Women’s Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room	5:45 pm
	Handbell Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary	6:15 pm
	Midweek Recharge Discipleship	6:30 pm
	Adult Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary	7:15 pm
SATURDAY, 12/16	Bloom for Jesus Indian Fellowship	10:30 am
SUNDAY, 12/17	Traditional Service – Sanctuary	8:15 am
	Discipleship Hour	9:30 am
	Contemporary Service – GCR	10:45 am
	Youth Group	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: Marty & Joanie Reeves

Tuesday: Loren & Marge Rehmer

Wednesday: Barb Reichert

Thursday: Linda Reznick

Friday: Mathew & Kortney Rhode (Daisy, Beatrice & Clarence)

Saturday: Luke & Christine Peikert (Carter) – ECC

Sunday: Kevin & Laura Peters (Lyla) – 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: hanson96@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.*