



CROSS VIEW THIS WEEK

SUNDAY – December 31, 2023

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

- 9:30 am** **New Year’s Eve Traditional Worship Service – Sanctuary**
No Discipleship Hour
- 6:30 pm** **Fellowship and Football – Rooms 210-100**

IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

FELLOWSHIP AND FOOTBALL: Vikings vs Packers – Big Screen Showdown

TONIGHT at 6:30 pm, come pick a side and cheer on your favorite squad! Enjoy the Minnesota Vikings and the Green Bay Packers on a huge screen at Cross View. The most colorful purple, green, and gold fan attire is strongly encouraged. Bring a heavy appetizer to share and your own (non-alcoholic) beverages. All ages are welcome! Daycare will be provided. Volunteers are needed to help with set-up and clean-up. Contact John Daenzer at johndaenzer@gmail.com if you would like to help or if you have questions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2023 YEAR-END OFFERING DEADLINE: IRS regulations make it very clear that for a contribution to be credited to the 2023 tax year, it must be received on Cross View’s premises by December 31 or postmarked no later than midnight on December 31, 2023. Dropping it off in January with a December date on the check does not qualify. Thank you for your attention to this important detail.

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. Thank you to everyone who has taken gift tags and committed to provide items for the kit! All donations must be new and they DO NOT need to be wrapped. If you did not get a tag but would still like to contribute to the kit, the Sunday School children are collecting cleaning supplies (near the trees in the Lobby) and the youth are collecting hygiene items for the family (near the Senior High Youth Room). Please bring all donations to church by January 1.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS: Help is needed to take down Christmas trees and decorations on Sunday, January 7 from 12:00 – 2:00 pm. Questions? Call or email Marian Kratzke at 952-941-1094 or marian@crossview.net.

WED NIGHT MENU: Ancho chili, corn muffins, baked potatoes 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.

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.

SMALL GROUP FOR WOMEN: A new small group for women will be starting in the New Year at Cross View. The meeting time is still being determined, but it will be outside of regular business hours. If you are interested in growing deeper in your faith with other women in a small group setting, contact Deb Wagner at thewagners@comcast.net or Amy Gundermann at amy@crossview.net.

NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Tuesday, January 2, 9:30 am (Room 218) Cross View's Women's Bible study will be starting a new study in January. The study book is called "Leaning on Jesus, a Study of God's Strength" by Deb Burma. The book is available on Amazon or www.cph.org. The group usually meets the first Monday of the month; however, because of the New Year's Day holiday, their first meeting will be the next day on Tuesday.

NEW ROMANS BIBLE STUDY: Thursday mornings, starting January 11, 9:30 – 11:00 am (Room 218) What can we learn from the sixteen chapters of Romans, Paul's complete explanation of the Gospel? Contact Chuck Daenzer at cdaenzer1@comcast.net or 952-200-0802 for more information.

NEW BEATITUTES BIBLE STUDY:
Sundays starting January 14, 9:30 – 10:30 am (Sanctuary). Taught by Pastor Reed. The Sermon on the Mount is Christ's most famous discourse. In it, he teaches us about happiness, the Lord's Prayer, forgiveness and the importance priorities. This five-week class takes a deep dive into some the most important words ever uttered. What a great way to begin 2024 ... at the feet of Jesus!

NEW LOVE AND LOGIC® EARLY CHILDHOOD PARENTING CLASS:
Sundays starting January 14, 9:30 – 10:30 am (Rooms 209-211). Taught by Pastor Steve and Dawn Wheeler.

Cross View's family-focused ministry is excited to present a Love and Logic® training class for parents of children birth to six. With forty years of research and a proven track-record of success, this parent-training seminar will equip parents of teeny, tiny kids. We will be flexible, anticipating that we may need an additional two Sundays to get through the course materials and discussions.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB: Monday January 15, 1:00 pm (Room 120)

We will meet at the church to discuss *Signal Fires* by Dani Shapiro. Lower level doors will be open. Please feel free to join as new members are always welcome.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULTS

Questions for staff? Contact...

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

January 7 Discipleship Hour

Adults are invited to join in the Mission Sunday activities on January 7 hosted by Children's Ministry. Come and learn about several of the ways that our church is involved in the mission of sharing the love of Jesus with the world!

Beatitudes Bible Class (Sanctuary)

Sundays, January 14 – February 11, 9:30 – 10:30 am, taught by Pastor Reed.

Love and Logic® Early Childhood Parenting Class (Rooms 209-211)

Sundays, January 14 – February 11, 9:30 – 10:30 am, taught by Pastor Steve & Dawn Wheeler.

Community Light School of Discipleship: Hope Revealed – Revelation Part 2 (GCR)

Wednesdays, 6:30 – 8:00 pm, taught by Pastor Dean Nadasdy. *No class this week.*

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)

There will be no Children's Sunday School, Youth Sunday School or Youth Group today. Regular schedule resumes on January 7 for Mission Sunday.

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 mom of three children – boy 16, girl 13 and girl 13 months. Mom is working and going to school but struggling financially.
- Single mom with two kids, ages 13 and 4, who experienced homelessness and domestic violence. Now in stable housing, mom is in school for a BSN degree and just started a new job.
- Single mom with two kids, ages 12 and 6, working to overcome hardships.

THIS WEEK AT CROSS VIEW

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

MONDAY, 1/1	Church Office Closed	
TUESDAY, 1/2	Women’s Bible Study – Room 218	9:30 am
WEDNESDAY, 1/3	CV Quilters – Rooms 218-220	9:30 am
	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 – (No Community Light School of Discipleship)	6:30 pm
	Adult Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary	7:15 pm
THURSDAY, 1/4	Romans Bible Study – Room 218	9:30 am
SATURDAY, 1/6	Women’s Ministry MAT – Room 213	9:00 am
	Sr. High Youth Group Lock-In	8:00 pm
SUNDAY, 1/7	Traditional Service – Sanctuary	8:15 am
	Mission Sunday Activities	9:30 am
	Contemporary Service – GCR	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: TJ & Ann Ryan

Tuesday: Victoria Sadek

Wednesday: Matt Salzwedel

Thursday: Bob & Elaine Sandilla

Friday: Clint & Pat Sawinski

Saturday: Brian & Kerstin Simons (Jack & Ethan) – ECC

Sunday: David & Beth Sletten (Grace & Caroline) – 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.*