



CROSS VIEW THIS WEEK

SUNDAY – December 22, 2024

"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**

No Discipleship Hour

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

12:00 pm **Christmas Poinsettia Decorating**

IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

CROSS VIEW HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

- **Christmas Eve, December 24:** 1:00 pm Traditional Service, 3:00 pm Contemporary Service, 5:00 pm Traditional Service
Please note that only the 1:00 Traditional Service and the 3:00 Contemporary Service will be streamed. The 1:00 Traditional Service will be archived and available on demand.
- **Christmas Day, December 25:** 9:30 am Traditional Christmas Single Service (with communion)
- **Sunday, December 29:** 9:30 am Traditional Single Service (no education hour)
- **Sunday, January 5:** Regular 8:15 and 10:45 worship services (education hour resumes)

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS:

- **December 23:** Office open 9:00 am – 4:30 pm
- **December 24 – 25:** Office closed
- **December 26 – 27:** Office open 9:00 am – 4:30 pm
- **December 30 – 31:** Office open 9:00 am – 4:30 pm
- **January 1:** Office closed
- **January 2 – 3:** Office open 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU! Thanks to each of our volunteers for NativityFest! It was a wonderful community celebration of Jesus' birth and we could not have done it without you!

HOLIDAY DECORATING: Please join us TODAY to decorate our worship spaces with poinsettias. We will gather immediately following the second service and expect to wrap up no later than 2:00 pm. A light lunch will be served.

WINTER WARMTH DRIVE: During the Advent and Christmas seasons, we will be collecting hats, mittens and scarves for the “Hats & Mittens” organization. Items can be new, used, or home-crafted and can be for all ages of children and adults. The biggest need is for waterproof mittens for children ages 5 – 8. Grateful for our Savior’s birth and His love for the world, let’s be generous as we join “Hats & Mittens” in their mission to warm the bodies and hearts of kids and adults everywhere.

2024 YEAR-END OFFERING DEADLINE: IRS regulations make it very clear that for a contribution to be credited to the 2024 tax year, it must be received on Cross View’s premises by December 31 or postmarked no later than midnight on December 31, 2024. Dropping it off in January with a December date on the check does not qualify. Please note that December 31 falls on a Tuesday this year, so you may drop your final year-end contributions off in the church office if needed. Thank you for your attention to this important detail.

WHAT GOES UP MUST COME DOWN: “THE UNDECORATING”

Please note the following change from December *Clarion*: The outdoor nativity stable crew has decided to meet January 11 instead of on January 5.

- Sunday, January 5, Noon – 2:00 pm. Following the second service, help take down and put away the Christmas decorations placed throughout the church. Lunch will be provided.
- Saturday, January 11, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm. Help us take down the outdoor nativity stable. Heavy lifting involved.

Questions? Contact the church office at 952-941-1094 or frontdesk@crossview.net

SIGN UP FOR FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN MOBILEPACK: Sign up today for Cross View’s second FMSC MobilePack on January 24 and 25, 2025! We have four time slots to choose from and 120 volunteer slots at each one with a goal of packing 101,088 meals! Plan to bring your family and friends to join us for a weekend of global impact right here at Cross View. Sign up to volunteer or donate to help cover the cost of the ingredients at give.fmsc.org/crossview.



WOMEN’S BOOK CLUB: Monday, January 20, 1:00 pm (Room 120)

The group will meet at the church to discuss *The Glass Chateau* by Stephen Kieran. Please feel free to join, as new members are always welcome.

ADULT LIVES IN TRANSITION FOR GOD OUTING: Saturday, February 1, 2:00 pm

Save the date! The group will gather at Rent My Arcade in St. Paul for a visit to a classic arcade. Play as many games as you can in three hours, and join members of the group for dinner afterwards if you’d like. Donkey Kong, Pole Position, classic console games...pinball! \$15 per person for three hours of play, paid upon arrival. Anyone older than 13 is welcome so bring your teenagers!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY COMING SOON! Join in Priscilla Shirer's "Elijah: Faith and Fire" study offered on Wednesday evenings January 8 – February 19. Two sessions will now be offered and women can choose to attend whichever session is most convenient for them week to week. Session 1 is from 5:00 – 6:15 pm and Session 2 is from 6:30 – 7:45 pm. Register on CV Connect and purchase your own study book. Books ordered on Amazon do not have video access while books ordered from Lifeway do have video access. Contact Vicki Weber with questions at 952-838-5500.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULTS

Questions for staff? Contact...

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

Community Light School of Discipleship – Threads: Celebrating the Biblical Tapestry (GCR)

Wednesdays, Dec. 4 – Feb. 12, 6:30 – 8:00 pm, taught by Rev. Dr. Dean Nadasdy

It is not too late to join the second session online or in person! [Sign up on CV Connect](#). The lecture will be followed by discussion in small groups. NO CLASS on December 25 or January 1.

God's Mission in the Old Testament (Sanctuary)

Sundays, Jan. 5 – Jan. 26, 9:30 – 10:30 am, taught by Pastor Reed

Empowered for Witness: Discovering your Unique Witnessing Style (Rooms 209-211)

Starting Sunday Jan. 5, 9:30 – 10:30 am, taught by Pastor Steve

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...

Director, Children's Ministry: Barbara Coffin (barb@crossview.net; 952-243-2062)

Director, Youth & Young Adult Ministry: Hannah Zahrt (hannah@crossview.net; 952-243-2047)

There will be no Children's Sunday School, Youth Sunday School or Youth Group today or next Sunday, December 29. Regular schedule resumes on January 5.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT! Friday, Jan 17, 5:00 pm (Fellowship Hall)

Please join us for our annual Children's Ministry family movie night where we will be watching Finding Nemo. Popcorn and pizza will be provided. Come and enjoy a fun night out as a family!

THIS WEEK AT CROSS VIEW

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

TUESDAY, 12/24	Church Office Closed	
	Traditional Service – <i>Sanctuary</i>	1:00 pm
	Contemporary Service – <i>GCR</i>	3:00 pm
	Traditional Service – <i>Sanctuary</i>	5:00 pm
WEDNESDAY, 12/25	Church Office Closed	
	Traditional Service – <i>Sanctuary</i>	9:30 am
	No Midweek Discipleship	
SUNDAY, 12/29	Traditional Service – <i>Sanctuary</i>	9:30 am
	No Discipleship Hour	9:30 am

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

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

Monday: Par & Mary Peterson

Tuesday: Bill & Suzanne Petri

Wednesday: Dan & Debra Piepho

Thursday: Gregg & Jana Poppe (Brody)

Friday: John & Lisa Porisch (Daniel & Eleanor)

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

Sunday: Chris & Emily Hubert (Wyatt, Avery & Quinn) – 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.*