



CROSS VIEW THIS WEEK

SUNDAY – December 29, 2024

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

9:30 am **Traditional Worship Service – Sanctuary**
No Discipleship Hour

IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

CROSS VIEW HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

- **Tuesday, December 31:** Last day to drop off or postmark 2024 contributions; office hours: 9:00 am – 4:30 pm
- **Wednesday, January 1, New Year's Day:** Office closed; no Wednesday night activities
- **Sunday, January 5:** Regular 8:15 and 10:45 worship services; education hour and senior high youth group resumes
- **Wednesday, January 8:** Regular Wednesday night activities resume

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU! Thank you to our volunteers who set up the outdoor nativity, purchased poinsettias and decorated our worship and lobby spaces to make it festive for our Christmas season. It was a wonderful way to set the stage for celebrating Jesus' birth. Now...

WHAT GOES UP MUST COME DOWN: "THE UNDECORATING"

Please note the following change from the December Clarion: The outdoor nativity stable crew has decided to meet January 11 instead of the 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. Contact Denny Scheppmann (DSchep@mns.com) or the church office at 952-941-1094 with questions.

WINTER WARMTH DRIVE: During the Advent and Christmas seasons, we are 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.

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.



CAREPORTAL TRAINING: If you'd like to get involved in helping families in crisis, please contact Pam Olsen at careportal@crossview.net. For those interested in becoming a member of our CarePortal Response team, training is offered via Zoom. January training dates: Thursday, January 16: 6:30 – 8:00 pm and Friday, January 24: 8:30 – 10:00 am.

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!

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, contact Amy Gundermann (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)

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 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

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.

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 Zahrte (hannah@crossview.net; 952-243-2047)

There will be no Children's Sunday School, Youth Sunday School or Youth Group today. 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, Tuesday, Thursday – Friday 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

WEDNESDAY, 1/1

Church Office Closed
No Midweek Discipleship

SUNDAY, 1/5

Traditional Service – <i>Sanctuary</i>	8:15 am
Discipleship Hour	9:30 am
Contemporary Service – <i>GCR</i>	10:45 am
Sr. High 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: Britt & Joe Portillo

Tuesday: Pamela Prince

Wednesday: Marty & Joan Reeves

Thursday: Loren & Marge Rehmer

Friday: Barb Reichert

Saturday: Jon & Natasha Jandro (Otto & Axel) – ECC

Sunday: Kevin & Megan Jarvis (Russell & Sloan) – 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.*