# **SUNDAY - March 23, 2025**

"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 Welcome to the Lord's Table Class – Room 223

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New Member Class - Room 213

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

6:30 pm Sr. High Youth Group – Room 120

# IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

**LIFE VERSE FOR MARCH 24 – 30: JOHN 18:37** Please meditate on and memorize John 18:37 in the week ahead:

<sup>37</sup> "You are a king, then!" said Pilate.

Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me."

<u>Weekly Challenge:</u> Read John 18:33-40. Discuss with your family, your spouse or a friend what this phrase, spoken by Jesus, means: "My kingdom is not of this world..." (See Luke 17:21. Consider also the words of the Lord's Prayer – "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven...") Think of ways that the truth of Christ's kingdom comes on earth as it is in heaven.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**LENTEN MEALS SIGN-UP:** Please sign up for the upcoming Lenten meals hosted by our youth! Sign-ups close the Sunday before each Wednesday meal. We do accept walk-ins but prefer registration so we can plan accordingly. Sign up via CV Connect or the inserts at the Event Registration Center. Food service ends promptly at 6:15.



Next on the menu: A variety of soups.

**NEW MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Looking for small group Men's Bible Study? Join us at the Original Pancake House in Eden Prairie starting April 4 at 6:30 am for a weekly study of Lamentations. Contact Dan Battcher at dtbattcher@gmail.com with questions.

### POBLO POTLUCK: Monday, April 14, 5:30 - 7:30 pm

You are invited to the POBLO International Friendship Center Easter Potluck held at Ascension Lutheran Church, 1801 Cliff Rd E, Burnsville. All are welcome! Please RSVP by texting Shari at (612) 552-3878 and bring a food dish to share. If you are interested in getting involved with ministering to refugees and immigrants, this is a great event!

**CAREPORTAL TRAINING:** There is training offered via Zoom for those interested in becoming a member of our CarePortal Response Team. If you'd like to get involved in helping families in crisis, please contact Pam Olsen at careportal@crossview.net. April training dates are Friday, April 11, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm and Tuesday, April 15, 6:30 – 8:00 pm.

**EASTERFEST – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We look forward to inviting the community to celebrate the story of Easter here at Cross View on April 12 from 10 am – noon! EasterFest is a family-friendly event with lots of fun activities. Sign up on CV Connect to volunteer and check out the Giving Trees in the lobby to donate needed items for the event.

**EASTER HALLELUJAH CHORUS PRIMER:** To close our April 20, 8:15 am Easter Sunday service, the congregation is invited to join the choir, brass, and organ in singing Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus." If you would like a refresher or introduction to this joyful anthem, please join the Choir to practice the piece in the sanctuary on April 2 and/or April 9 immediately following the Midweek Lenten Service. Please contact David Mennicke at david@crossview.net for more information.

**HEALING GROUP:** Many people have been wounded by traumatic experiences such as abuse, conflict or loss. At Cross View, we are offering a Healing Group using mental health practices and Biblical wisdom to help us learn how to talk about our own pain and listen to the pain of others. As a church, we want to help those who are hurting to find comfort in Jesus who cares for us and walks the road of healing with us. If you would like to learn more, visit traumahealinginstitute.org or contact Amy at amy@crossivew.net. Sign up on CV Connect to join the Healing Group. Space is limited and you must commit to attending all three sessions: April 21, April 27, May 5 from 5:00 – 8:30 pm.

### WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB: Monday, April 21, 1:00 pm (Room 120)

The group will meet at the church to discuss *Seven Aunts* by Stacci Lola Drouillard. Please feel free to join, as new members are always welcome.

ARISE WITH THE GUYS: You are invited to attend Arise with the Guys program at Grace Church in Eden Prairie on May 3 with other Christian brothers from Cross View. Meet at Cross View at 7:30 am and carpool together for the program from 9:00 – 11:00 am. The cost is \$10. Please sign up for the event at <a href="https://www.arisewiththeguys.com">https://www.arisewiththeguys.com</a> and register on CV Connect by May 1 so the carpools can be planned. Contact Dan Battcher at dtbattcher@gmail.com or Dave Wagner at dave@ambrosiacoffeemn.com with questions.

**LERT TRAINING:** A Basic Lutheran Early Response Team (LERT) Training class will be held at Cross View on Saturday, May 10 from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm. A light breakfast and lunch will be served. Participants are urged to register on CV Connect and preregister at <a href="https://www.lcms-lert.org/need/detail/?need\_id=1066238">https://www.lcms-lert.org/need/detail/?need\_id=1066238</a> before April 27 so everyone has the proper materials. The registration fee of \$20 per person will cover the cost of lunch, snacks, training materials and LERT T-shirt. If you have questions, please contact Phil Johnson at philj23@gmail.com or Amy Gundermann at Amy@CrossView.net.

# **OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULTS**

Questions for staff? Contact...

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

Singing with the Exiles: Isaiah 40-55 (Sanctuary)

Sundays, Mar. 9 – Apr. 13, 9:30 – 10:30 am, taught by Pastor Reed

Stop Running Scared (Sanctuary)

Sundays, Apr. 27 – Jun. 1, 9:30 – 10:30 am, taught by Pastor Reed

1 Timothy – Using Your Gifts to Build Up His Church (Rooms 209-211)

Sundays, Apr. 27 – May 18, 9:30 – 10:30 am, taught by Roy Campen

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)

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Today's topic: Jesus performs his first miracle in John 2:1-11. Bible verse to memorize: John 20:31. Bible point: Jesus can do miracles. What to talk about at home: Talk about your favorite miracle that Jesus did in the Bible.

- **SR. YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL**: To start a conversation about calling, we need to first examine what we do with our problems and burdens. Who do we turn to? Do we care about what God cares about? Students will be challenged to take their problems and burdens to the Lord in prayer, recognizing that God's calling comes when we align our hearts with His.
- **JR. YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL**: Christ's forgiveness is the path to freedom, but many of us get trapped in shame and guilt because we can't seem to forgive ourselves. Today's lesson will help students consider how they can learn to forgive themselves through belonging to Jesus.

### THIS WEEK AT CROSS VIEW

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

MONDAY, 3/24	BSF Leaders Meeting	9:30 am
TUESDAY, 3/25	Men's Bible Study Bible Study Fellowship (BSF)	8:00 am 12:30 pm
WEDNESDAY, 3/26	Lenten Dinner – GCR Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary Wednesday Lenten Service – Sanctuary Confirmation – Room 122 Adult Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary Women's Ensemble Rehearsal – Sanctuary	5:15 pm 5:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:15 pm 7:30 pm 8:15 pm
THURSDAY, 3/27	Wayne Hellbusch Memorial Service Wayne Hellbusch Reception – <i>Rooms 209-211</i>	11:00 am 12:00 pm
SUNDAY, 3/30	Traditional Service – <i>Sanctuary</i> Discipleship Hour Contemporary Service – <i>GCR</i> Sr. High 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: Vince & Kris Vanella Tuesday: Steve & Marta Volbrecht Wednesday: Bill & Judy Wachholz Thursday: David & Deb Wagner

Friday: Barbara Warren

**Saturday**: Dave & Beth Sletten (Caroline & Grace) – ECC **Sunday**: Zach & Meredith Stroup (Teddy & Nora) – 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.