SUNDAY - November 30, 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 – Sanctuary9:30 am Discipleship Hour / Sunday School

9:30 am Feed My Starving Children MAT Meeting – Room 213

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

IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

DECEMBER FAMILY MINISTRY CHALLENGE: Cross View will have monthly focuses this year to help develop faith within our families. During the month of December, families are encouraged to reflect on the meaning of Christmas by doing or discussing the following this week:

- Discuss the meaning of the Advent wreath. The round evergreen wreath reminds us of the unending love of Christ and His gift to us of eternal life. The first candle symbolizes hope, the second symbolizes love, the third symbolizes joy and the fourth symbolizes peace.
- 2. Put out your nativity set together. If you don't currently have a nativity set, go shopping together for one.
- 3. Discuss your favorite family traditions around Christmas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2026 COMMITMENT CARDS: Thank you to those of you who have already turned in your 2026 commitment cards. We use this information to create our 2026 budget. If you still need to turn in your pledge card, please mail it to the church or drop it off in the church office. To check on your 2025 pledge progress, please log into CV Connect under "Giving" to view your remaining pledge balance. Year-end contribution statements will be mailed out as soon as possible in January.

STEWARDSHIP OF SKILLS AND INTERESTS: How is the Lord calling you to use your gifts at church? As we focus on stewardship this month, take the time to pray about this and update your Skills and Interests listed on your profile on CV Connect under "Serving". Many skills and interests have been updated this past year. If you would like help accessing your profile, contact the church office. May Jesus be glorified in all that we do!

ATTENTION AMAZON SHOPPERS! You know that brown packing paper we get in most deliveries? Instead of recycling the paper, please donate it for VBS. There will be a bin in the lobby December through January for collection. Thank you!

APPETIZERS & ADVENT ALLELUIAS FOR SENIORS: All Cross View senior adults are invited to join the "Appetizers and Advent Alleluias" event on Friday, December 5, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm. Please bring an appetizer to share as the group welcomes in the holiday season by being together in Christian fellowship. The evening will close as Judy Campen leads in singing joyful Advent and Christmas hymns. Please sign up on CV Connect or at the Registration Desk. Contact Kathy Fulkerson at kkfulkerson@yahoo.com or Sue Harrison at kharrison1111@gmail.com with questions.

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY (CSP) CHRISTMAS CONCERT: Saturday, Dec. 6, 3:30 pm You are invited to attend the worship celebration at St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Bloomington featuring CSP's choral and instrumental ensembles, Scripture readings, and vibrant arrangements of beloved Christmas hymns. Admission is free with reserved tickets. A freewill offering being taken at the door to support CSP's music ensembles, and a dessert reception will be held following the concert. Tickets are available at Cross View's registration desk or can be found on their website here.

CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR INVITATION: Singers high school age and up who would like to sing with the Cross View choir on Christmas Eve (Wednesday, December 24 1:00 and/or 5:00 pm) are welcome to join the choir. Those interested in singing should attend two of the following Wednesday 6:45 pm rehearsals: Dec. 3, 10 and/or 17. For more information, please contact David Mennicke at david@crossview.net.

UPCOMING DECORATING OPPORTUNITIES:

Poinsettia decorating: Sunday, Dec. 21, 12:00 – 2:00 pm.

Join us after the second service to help decorate our worship spaces with our poinsettia orders. Lunch will be provided. Please sign up on CV Connect to participate.

The "Undecorating": Sunday, Jan. 4, 12:00 – 2:00 pm.

What goes up must come down! Join us after the second service to help take down and put away the decorations placed throughout the church. Lunch will be provided. Please sign up on CV Connect to participate.

2026 FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN MOBILEPACK - SAVE THE DATE!

Save the date for Cross View's third annual FMSC MobilePack™ on January 30 and 31, 2026! Plan to bring your family and friends to join us for a weekend of global impact. Volunteer and donation information coming soon!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULTS

Light in the Darkness — Journey through John 1:1-18 (Sanctuary)

Sundays, Nov. 30 – Dec. 21, 9:30 – 10:30 am, taught by Pastor Reed.

The Book of Hebrews (Offsite – Ambrosia Coffee)

Every other Sat., starting Sept. 13, 9:30 – 11:00 am, led by Dave Wagner & Roy Campen

Old Testament Tabernacle & God's Message to Moses (Room 213)

Every other Thursday, 9:30 – 11:00 am, led by Steve Koepcke

Be Still and Know, a Study of Rest and Refuge (Room 218)

This new women's Bible study will be starting in January 2026. The group meets the first Monday of each month from 9:30 – 11:00 am and will run through May. Please contact Marcy Nordhus with any questions at mrepsc@hotmail.com.

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: Elijah challenges the prophets of Baal in 1 Kings 18:16-40. Bible verse to memorize: Exodus 20:2-3. Bible point: Choose to serve God. What to talk about at home: Talk about one thing this week you can do this week to choose to serve God.

SR. YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: When you serve in leadership, you cannot avoid conflict. It is inevitable, and when it happens, you will face a tough decision: humble yourself and resolve the conflict, or burn the bridge and move on. Jesus commands us as Christians to be peacemakers – a command that anyone in leadership should not take lightly. Today's lesson examines how to become a peacemaker when leading. As students understand the value of resolving conflict rather than avoiding it, they become better able to lead effectively.

JR. YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: Today the class will perform a case study based on Rachel and Leah's relationship.

THIS WEEK AT CROSS VIEW

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

MONDAY, 12/1	Women's Bible Study – Room 218	9:30 am
TUESDAY, 12/2	Men's Bible Study – <i>Room 213</i> Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) Praise Team Rehearsal – <i>GCR</i>	8:00 am 10:00 am 6:00 pm
WEDNESDAY, 12/3	CV Quilters – Room 218 Handbell Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary Confirmation & Kidstitute Adult Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary Women's Ensemble Rehearsal – Sanctuary	9:30 am 5:30 pm 6:30 pm 6:45 pm 8:15 pm
THURSDAY, 12/4	Adult Bible Study – <i>Room 213</i> Safety & Security MAT Meeting – Room 213 Marketing MAT Meeting – <i>Offsite</i>	9:30 am 4:00 pm 5:30 pm
FRIDAY, 12/5	Men's Bible Study – <i>Offsite</i> Senior Adult Ministry Appetizers & Alleluias	7:00 am 5:00 pm
SUNDAY, 12/7	Traditional Service – Sanctuary Discipleship Hour Sunday School Christmas Program Rehearsal Contemporary Service – GCR Junior High Christmas Party – Room 122 Senior High Christmas Party – Room 120	8:15 am 9:30 am 9:30 am 10:45 am 3:30 pm 6:00 pm

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

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

Monday: Erick & Kat Meszaros-Jones

Tuesday: Cheri Meyer Wednesday: Jeff Meyer Thursday: Amy Meyers Friday: Nancy Michels

Saturday: Logan & Lacey Urness (Barrett, Carling & Monroe) – ECC

Sunday: Juanita Valentin (Ayla) – 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.