



CROSS VIEW THIS WEEK

SUNDAY – December 14, 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	Discipleship Hour / Sunday School
9:30 am	Sunday School Christmas Program Rehearsal – GCR
10:45 am	Contemporary Worship Service – Great Commission Room (GCR)
6:30 pm	Sr. High Youth Group – Room 120

IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION – TODAY! Our children have been working hard for a very fun and engaging Christmas Celebration that will be held today at the 10:45 am service in the GCR. The kids will be telling the Luke 2 Biblical story with traditional hymns, reciting Scripture, and creating crafts. Children in grades 3 – 6 created the set! Please join us!

YOUTH MISSION TRIP BAKE SALE – TODAY!: The youth attending the mission trip to South Dakota next July will be hosting a bake sale in between services. Stop by the tables, take a look at the tasty treats, and support Cross View’s youth!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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:

1. What is the meaning of the evergreen tree? An evergreen tree retains its foliage year-round, symbolizing endurance, immortality and hope. It is also a reminder that spring and new life will return after the winter.
2. What is a new family tradition that you would like to start this year?
3. Offer to help a neighbor with something during this busy time of year. The offer could be to wrap presents, shovel snow or run an errand.

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.

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!

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE NEED: Cross View is in significant need of an experienced church member to take over as head of the Personnel Committee. The committee is looking for someone who will fully commit to the role and has leadership, HR and/or administrative experience. If you know of anyone who might fit this criteria, please contact Jill Harrison at jillharrison1@gmail.com.

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.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN MOBILEPACK – SIGN UP OPEN!

Cross View will host its third Feed My Starving Children MobilePack™ on Jan. 30 – 31, 2026 at Cross View. Given the success of prior years, we are committing to even higher goals so that we can feed more children! The goal is to pack 124,000+ meals, feeding 341 children for 1 year.

We need your Unwavering support to reach our goals. Specifically, 624 volunteers and donations of \$37,000 to cover the cost of the food are required. A \$50 donation per person is suggested, but not mandatory. We want everyone who wants to pack meals to join in this fun event.

Act soon! MobilePack™ events are open to anyone and our event will be publicized on the Feed My Starving Children website after December 26.

Sign up to volunteer, and donate as you are able, at give.fmsc.org/crossview to secure a time that works best for you, your family and friends!

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 mrepse@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: This week all classes will be having their large group Christmas program rehearsal in the GCR for the entire education hour.

SR. YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: Very little gets accomplished in this world without taking a risk. When we take risks, we may fail, but failure can lead us to success. Too often, though, teenagers are taught not to take risks because failure is too great a consequence. When students believe it is not okay to fail, they are more likely to face disappointment and missed opportunities down the road. Today's lesson will help your students recognize the rewards of taking appropriate risks in leadership.

JR. YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: Today we will use the 7 Arrow Bible Study method to dig deeper into the Christmas story.

THIS WEEK AT CROSS VIEW

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

MONDAY, 12/15	Women's Book Club – Room 120	1:00 pm
TUESDAY, 12/16	Men's Bible Study – Room 213	8:00 am
	Praise Team Rehearsal – GCR	6:00 pm
	Spiritual Care MAT Meeting	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY, 12/17	CV Quilters – Room 218	9:30 am
	Confirmation & Kidstitute	6:30 pm
	Adult Choir Rehearsal – <i>Sanctuary</i>	6:30 pm
	Women's Ensemble Rehearsal – <i>Sanctuary</i>	8:15 pm
THURSDAY, 12/18	Adult Bible Study – Room 213	9:30 am
FRIDAY, 12/19	Men's Bible Study – <i>Offsite</i>	7:00 am
SATURDAY, 12/20	Bloom for Jesus Indian Fellowship	10:30 am
SUNDAY, 12/21	Traditional Service – <i>Sanctuary</i>	8:15 am
	Discipleship Hour	9:30 am
	Contemporary Service – GCR	10:45 am
	Poinsettia Decorating	12:00 pm
	Praise Team Rehearsal – GCR	1:00 pm

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

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

Monday: Don & Linda Nelson

Tuesday: Tom & Anna Neumeister

Wednesday: Ev & Geri Niebuhr

Thursday: Pete & Carol Niemira

Friday: Michael & Linda Nissen

Saturday: Brandon & Kaitlin Wohlrabe (Liv & Walt) – ECC

Sunday: Matt & Sonia Zechmann (Henrik) – 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.