CROSS VIEW THIS WEEK

SUNDAY – July 26, 2026

"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**
10:45 am	**Contemporary Worship Service** – *Great Commission Room (GCR)*
6:30 pm	**Sr. High Youth Group** – *Room 120*

IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

Y'ALL COME CHOIR – SUNDAY, AUGUST 2: Cross View will have another "y'all come" choir. This year's offering will be multi-generational, for everyone, *regardless of age or musical background.* The core music in the service will be familiar hymns, embellished with random handbell ringing and canons (rounds). One of the hymns (LSB 540 "Christ the Word of God Incarnate") will provide a summary of our summer worship series on Jesus' "I Am" statements, with individual children reading one of the "I Am" passages before each verse. Musical leaders will be in the midst of the group to support everyone (singing or ringing).

We encourage EVERYONE (children, parents, grandparents, relatives, friends, neighbors) to participate in this communal worship activity to "make a joyful noise unto the LORD!" *(Psalm 100:1)* The rehearsal will take place on Wednesday, July 29, 6:30 – 7:30 pm in the Cross View sanctuary, singing at the 8:15 am service on Sunday, August 2. Please feel free to contact David Mennicke if you have any questions (david@crossview.net).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LET'S UPDATE OUR ONLINE CHURCH DIRECTORY - TODAY! Church directories are a great tool in getting to know all our church members by name. On the following Sundays, Kelly Daenzer and Barb Coffin will be in the narthex willing to take your picture and upload it for you into our church directory:

- July 26, August 2, 9, 16 & 23

LOST AND FOUND: Please take a look at the church's lost and found items located on top of the coat rack next to the bathroom. Anything not claimed by the end of the month will be donated.

GARDENING MAT MEMBERS NEEDED! The gardening ministry action team continues to look for help to keep the church's gardens and trees looking healthy throughout the growing season. No past experience is needed. If you are able to help, please contact Sue Hanson at 952-826-9401.

2026-2027 TUITION SUPPORT FORMS NOW AVAILABLE: Cross View supports families who send their children to LCMS elementary and secondary schools, as well as adults enrolled in professional church worker programs in LCMS post-secondary institutions and seminaries. Families and individuals seeking tuition support should apply annually by completing a Commitment Form. Forms are available at the church office or by emailing frontdesk@crossview.net.

LERT CALL FOR EQUIPMENT: Lutheran Early Response Teams (LERT) is a nationwide network of trained volunteers within the Missouri Synod who bring practical help and the love of Christ to communities in times of disaster. Here in the Minnesota South District, we want to be prepared for such events and part of that is building an inventory of equipment that might be available for use during these critical times. If you, or someone you know would be willing to make such equipment available (trailers, skid steers, high lifts, tractors, etc.) please complete the form found at the Event Registration and return to Phil Johnson (or take a photo of it and email to philj23@gmail.com)

CROSS VIEW – CURRENT JOB OPENINGS: Cross View continues its search for a Senior Director of Human Resources & Church Operations and an Assistant Director for the Early Childhood Center. Both positions are full-time. Full job descriptions and qualifications can be found on Cross View's website at https://www.crossview.net/who-we-are/employment.cfm.

MEAL TRAIN MINISTRY: In times of need and times of joy, we come together as a community to support one another. We are excited to offer our support through our Meal Train ministry. We invite volunteers to lend a helping hand by providing meals for our members in need. Whether it's a home-cooked dish, a takeout meal, or simply your time to deliver a warm smile and a friendly chat, your contribution will make a difference. If you would like to volunteer your time and culinary talents, please contact Sarah Fincham at finchpeople@gmail.com to sign up for the distribution list.

If you or someone you know is in need of a meal due to illness, life events, or any other circumstances, please reach out to Sarah, and she will gladly help arrange meals to be delivered to your house.

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, please contact Barb Coffin (barb@crossview.net) or complete the interest form on our website.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULTS

Wrestling with God: Interpreting Difficult Old Testament Passages (Sanctuary)
Sundays, Jun. 21 – ~~Aug. 2~~ Sept. 6, 9:30 – 10:30 am, taught by Pastor Reed

The Old Testament is difficult to understand. How can the vengeful, angry God of the Old Testament be the same as the comforting, loving God of the New Testament? How can these old narratives of death, revenge, and morally wrong choices guide you as a Christian? This study will guide you through the Old Testament to understand difficult and overlooked ideas like violence in the book of Joshua, Israelite Sexual Laws, God's Change of Mind as well as His Suffering. These and many more topics will be discussed and taught.

For full descriptions of all Bible studies, please visit Cross View's website at https://www.crossview.net/connect/adult-education-classes.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 SUMMER FAMILY BAGS: If you haven't already received your summer family bag full of fun items to help develop faith in your kids over the summer, please see Barb Coffin. The bags include devotions, fun notes, crafts and supplies that are easy to take with you on your family trips to the lake.

YOUTH SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL: There is no youth Sunday School class during the summer. Youth are invited to attend the adult class during the education hour.

SENIOR HIGH ANNUAL MINI GOLF: Sunday, August 9, 6:00 pm
It's that time of year when the senior high youth head to a mini golf course for an evening of fun and ice cream! The golf course will remain a mystery until we get there. If your youth is interested, please register on CV Connect. We'll meet at Cross View at 6:00 pm and should be getting back to church around 8:30 or 9:00 pm. *We also could use some drivers!* Adults, if you're interested in joining and helping chaperone/drive/putt, please sign up as well!

THIS WEEK AT CROSS VIEW

Church office hours: Monday – Thursday 9:00 am – 4:30 pm; Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

TUESDAY, 7/28	Men's Bible Study – *Offsite*	8:00 am
	Praise Team Rehearsal – *GCR*	6:00 pm
FRIDAY, 7/31	Men's Bible Study – *Offsite*	7:00 am
SUNDAY, 8/2	Traditional Service – *Sanctuary*	8:15 am
	Discipleship Hour	9:30 am
	Contemporary Service – *GCR*	10:45 am
	Sr. High Youth Group – *Room 120*	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**: John & Kathi Etchison*
***Tuesday**: Ryan & Esther Etchison (Henry)*
***Wednesday**: Meghan Farrell (Tabitha)*
***Thursday**: Mark & Sarah Fincham (Rylee & Annie)*
***Friday**: Rob & Carolyn Fink*
***Saturday**: Mary Thompson – ECC Teacher*
***Sunday**: Dawn Wheeler – ECC Teacher*

***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.*