CROSS VIEW THIS WEEK

SUNDAY – August 16, 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**
9:30 am	**Sunday School Teacher Meeting** – *Room 217*
10:45 am	**Contemporary Worship Service** – *Great Commission Room (GCR)*

IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

ACOLYTE/REPLENISHER & PROCESSIONAL TRAINING – NEXT WEEK: All upcoming fifth through eighth graders qualify to serve as acolytes, and all upcoming ninth through twelfth graders qualify to serve as replenishers and processional participants. We would love for your child to be a part of Cross View's worship services!

If your child is new this year to these roles or would like a refresher, training will be offered Sundays, August 23 and 30. Acolyte training will be offered from 9:30 – 10:30 am in the Sanctuary on both Sundays. Replenisher and Processional training will be offered from 5:30 – 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary on both Sundays. Hannah Zahrte and Barb Coffin will lead these trainings! If your child would like to participate but cannot attend the training, please contact Alyssa in the church office (alyssa@crossview.net) and a private training can be arranged.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FALL KICKOFF IS COMING! Our theme this year is "Every Part Matters." More than a theme, it is a reminder of who God has made us to be together! So, this year on Sunday, September 13, we will celebrate Fall Kickoff TOGETHER in a single, blended worship service at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary. Following the worship service, we'll all learn from our ministry staff about their vision for our year ahead and then we will share a meal and fellowship together in the GCR, starting around 11:45 am. Following the meal, we will move outdoors for games and activities for people of all ages, including a bounce house! We are looking forward to seeing you there!

LET'S UPDATE OUR ONLINE CHURCH DIRECTORY – TODAY! Church directories are a great tool in getting to know all our church members by name. Both today and next Sunday, Barb Coffin or Alex Wheeler will be in the narthex willing to take your picture and upload it for you into our church directory.

CAREPORTAL: Hennepin County will be opening up CarePortal to other social service departments this fall, so Cross View expects to receive additional requests. Monetary donations will help support this demand. If you're able to help, checks can be made out to Cross View with "CarePortal" in the memo line. Please contact Nicole Krueger at careportal2@crossview.net for additional information.

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.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN (FMSC) PACKATHON: The Chanhassen FMSC packing site is hosting its 2nd annual 15-hour Packathon. The event is on Saturday August 22 and starts at 9:00 am with another packing session every 1.5 hours. The last session begins at 10:30 pm and ends at Midnight. The goal is to pack over 600,000 meals, enough to feed over 1700 kids for an entire year.

This is a great opportunity to come together as a congregation to be the hands and feet of Jesus. And the opportunity to serve together as a small group, a family or a group of friends and neighbors. Organize your group and sign up at the FMSC website at https://www.fmsc.org/locations/chanhassen-mn.

MINISTRY ACTION TEAM (MAT) LEADERS AND MEMBERS TRAINING: To prepare our MATs for the upcoming ministry year, we are holding an MAT Training and Discussion on Wednesday, September 2, from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. While our goal is to have everyone there, it is especially important for MAT leaders to attend. Optionally, after the 1-hour meeting for all MATS, your individual MATS can break off at 7:30 pm to discuss your unique visioning for the year and/or conduct training specific to your area of ministry.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP: Beginning September 11, the Friday morning Men's Bible study group will begin a new eight-to-ten-week study and discussion of Apologetics, the defense of the Christian Faith. The group will be using Lee Strobel's book, "A Case for Faith," as the foundation for the study. Consider joining the group as they strive to grow in their faith and strengthen their ability to defend and share their faith. The group meets at Chick-fil-A in Eden Prairie, starting at 7:00 am on Friday morning. Contact Brad Ost (ostfamily@comcast.net) or Dan Battcher (dtbattcher@gmail.com) with any questions.

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.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULTS

Wrestling with God: Interpreting Difficult Old Testament Passages (Sanctuary)
Sundays, Jun. 21 – Sep. 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)*

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.

THIS WEEK AT CROSS VIEW

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

MONDAY, 8/17	Women's Book Club – *Room 120*	1:00 pm
	Call Committee Meeting – *Room 213*	6:30 pm
TUESDAY, 8/18	Men's Bible Study – *Offsite*	8:00 am
	Praise Team Rehearsal – *GCR*	6:00 pm
	Church Council Meeting – *Room 213*	6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY, 8/19	Jr High Youth Fellowship – *Room 122*	6:00 pm
THURSDAY, 8/20	TNT Fellowship Event – *Room 120*	6:00 pm
FRIDAY, 8/21	Men's Bible Study – *Offsite*	7:00 am
SUNDAY, 8/23	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**: Carl & Rebecca Ghiselli (Opal, Irene & Arvid)*
***Tuesday**: Jon & Amanda Gisch (Isaac & Claire)*
***Wednesday**: Brad Goering & Julie Wichterman*
***Thursday**: Howard & Sherry Greenhagen*
***Friday**: Judy Grimm*
***Saturday**: Andreas & Emma Bacharach (Anna) – ECC*
***Sunday**: Alberto & Andrea Bautista (Scarlett & Noah) – 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.*