# CROSSVIEW CRARIO

October 2021

## Senerals DISCIPLES Mark 6:30-40

by Steve Wheeler, Senior Pastor

"This year, perhaps more than ever in Cross View's history, will require a generous outpouring of <u>'loaves and fishes.'" -Pastor Steve Wheeler</u>

On September 12th, Cross View kicked off another year of ministry as well as dedicating our newly built and remodeled facility to the glory of God. It was an incredible celebration and a milestone moment in our congregation's history as we queued up for a new chapter of mission in a post-Christian era. Our theme for the 2021–2022 year in ministry is "Equipped to Go." Focusing on the feeding of the 5,000 from Mark 6:30-44, I challenged the congregation to see themselves as Jesus' missionaries, to assess that with which Jesus had equipped them, and to trust in Jesus for the miracles of multiplication as they went into their unique mission fields where God has planted them.

When confronted with the opportunity to feed more than 5,000 hungry souls, Jesus asked His disciples an interesting question: "How many loaves do you have? Go and see..." In essence, He was asking them (and us) "What's in your basket?" In other words, He wanted them to assess that with which God had already equipped them to go as His generous disciples as they loved God by serving people. Having assessed that with which God had already equipped them, they discovered they had five loaves and two fish. They brought them to Jesus and...well... you know the rest of the story. Jesus worked the miracle of multiplication. At the end of the day, everyone was fed and there was an abundance left — twelve basketfuls of bread and fish!

As we look to the year ahead, the task before us can look just as daunting as it did to Jesus' first disciples when they surveyed that enormous and hungry crowd of people. The same could be said of us as we look at the overwhelming human need all around us — hungry mouths and hungry souls. How will we feed them? How will we reach them? How can God use us to make a kingdom difference? Jesus asks us, "How many loaves do YOU have?" In other words, "What's in your basket?" What has God already entrusted to you?

A quick assessment of the time, abilities, and financial resources that God has placed in your basket may seem to you like five loaves and two fishes. You might wonder, "How far can they go with so much need all around you?" And yet, Jesus bids you bring your loaves and fishes to Him and promises that He will provide miracles of multiplication. When the members of Cross View partner together, we are able accomplish more than any one of us could on their own. Jesus miraculously multiplies the resources we bring. 4.0 Building for Generations is great example of this. Partnering together, we assessed what was in each of our baskets and brought it to Jesus. He multiplied our efforts, enabling our new "launch pad" for the equipping of the saints and for the launching of ministry.

As we now seek to use the Cross View "launch pad" in powerful kingdom ways in the year ahead, can you hear the questions? "How many loaves do you have? What's in your basket?" A personal assessment of the time, talents, and financial resources entrusted to each household may not seem like much at first. However, when we bring them to Jesus, generously sharing and partnering together, Jesus works the miracles of multiplication that will make an incredible difference among us, our community, and the world.

My prayer is that the Holy Spirit will make us generous disciples in the year ahead as we, like Jesus, have compassion on people all around us who are like sheep without a shepherd. We want them to experience the eternal joy that comes with being in a relationship of faith with Jesus. To empower the equipping of disciples and the launching of ministries near and far will require rich generosity from Cross View's membership.

This year, perhaps more than ever in Cross View's history, will require a generous outpouring of "loaves and fishes." There will be plenty of chances to use that with which we have been equipped. Coming off the pandemic, we are in deep need of donations of time from volunteers to empower ministry. We need people to use the abilities entrusted to them for all sorts of ministry both on our campus and off it. And of course, we need a very strong financial response this year to cover increased expenses connected with the build and to empower new ministry starts.

The month of October will be a time for our congregation to prayerfully consider "How many loaves do you have? What's in your basket?" and how it can be multiplied by Jesus as we partner together. Our prayer is that, by God's grace, we will be led to be generous disciples. On Sunday, October 3, commitment packets will be available in the lobby area for pickup. Take your packet home and prayerfully complete the materials inside. If you are unable to attend that day, we will mail the packet to you. **Please bring your commitment card and completed materials to worship on Sunday, October 31st, where we will offer them as an act of worship or mail them if you are unable to attend in person.** 

As we partner together as Jesus' generous disciples in the year ahead, imagine what He will

do with the loaves and fishes we bring to Him. With Him, nothing is impossible! Hungry mouths and hungry souls will find contentedness in His miracles of multiplication that will be launched and empowered through our ministries. As we consider all that Jesus has done and is doing in our lives and in our congregation, may our hearts be moved to a generous response of faith.



Pick up your commitment packets on October 3rd in the church lobby.

Bring the completed materials back on October 31st, or mail them to the church office if you are unable to attend.

## Financial Update Year-to-Date Results

- August member contributions were 109% of budget or \$8,607 more than budget.
- Year to Date income is \$74,598 behind budget and \$8,591 less than last year.
- Year to Date expenditures are less than budget primarily due to lower wage and benefit expenses with open positions.
- Net Surplus is \$32,249 better than budget year to date as expenses are below budgeted amounts.
- ECC tuition is favorable, and expenses are unfavorable to budget, resulting in a net surplus YTD.
- Please prayerfully consider your remaining pledge to the Cross View 4.0 campaign. Collection of remaining pledges are needed to pay final construction expenses.

Cross View Lutheran Church			
8/31/21	2021 Actual Year to Date	2021 Budget Year to Date	Actual vs. Budget Greater (Less)
Total Income	\$744,232	\$818,830	(\$74,598)
Total Expenses	\$773,997	\$880,844	(\$106,847)
General Fund Net Surplus (Deficit)	(\$29,765)	(\$62,014)	\$32,249

Cross View 4.0 Building Camp	aign
8/31/21	
Balance in Campaign Savings Account:	\$491,350
Plus: Pledges Committed by 12/31/2021:	\$154,829
Less: Remaining Costs to Complete:	(\$18,504)
Less: Bridge (Short Term) Loan to be Repaid:	(\$589,098)
Projected 4.0 Balance at Completion:	\$38,577



## STEPHEN MINISTRY CORNER

Our congregation's Stephen Ministry equips laypeople to provide oneto-one Christian care to people in our congregation and community who are experiencing difficulties in their lives. Stephen Ministry is a confidential ministry. The identity of those receiving care and everything they discuss with a Stephen Minister remain private.

A Stephen Minister is...

- •A child of God who walks beside someone who is hurting.
- •A congregation member who is carefully selected to serve in this role because of his or her caregiving gifts.
- •A layperson with 50 hours of training in providing high-quality, distinctively Christian care.
- •A caring Christian friend who listens, cares, prays, supports, and encourages.
- •Someone who meets faithfully each week with his or her care receiver for as long as there's a need.

If you need a Stephen Minister or are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, please contact one of Cross View's pastors.

"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." -Galatians 6:2

## So Many Reasons to Celebrate! 4.0 Building for Generations Dedication

On September 12, the Cross View community enjoyed a celebration that was long overdue — the dedication of our newly built and remodeled facilities. One might recall that originally, we were scheduled to dedicate our facility on March 22, 2020. With the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19, our dedication was delayed until this fall.

The dedication included two blended services that began in the Great Commission Room and made their way through the lobby and into the sanctuary. The morning was filled with joyful celebration as the Word of God was proclaimed, the sacrament of the altar was shared and as beautiful music was performed by our Praise Team, our handbell choir, our organ, piano, and even a guest trumpet player. It was wonderful!

As we dedicated each space to the glory of our God, we prayed His blessing for future generations to come. Building chair, Scott Douglas, shared heartfelt words of encouragement and thanksgiving with the congregation. What God has done among us is nothing short of miraculous! God moved our hearts to partner together as we sought to expand our missional reach to one another, to our community, and to our world. By God's grace, the "launch pad" for equipping disciples and for launching ministries has been completed. Only time will tell the eternal difference that will be made for generations to come.

Thank you for your rich generosity, financial support, and the outpouring of gifts. The Lord has truly multiplied our efforts and laid the foundation for the equipping of disciples for generations to come. Soli Deo Gloria! (To God alone be the glory!)



## **Christian Education**



On September 16, Cross View launched the inaugural year of **Community Light School of Discipleship (CLSD)**. CLSD is a Bible study designed to help each of us to grow as disciples to make disciples. This free series will equip participants with the resources to "go" and make disciples wherever God has planted them. CLSD is certainly designed to benefit our congregation, but it is also intended to reach the community at large. Prayerfully consider how you, your small group, a friend outside of Cross View, a congregation with whom you have connections, or someone else could benefit from participating. Invite them to join us onsite, online, or on demand.

Some of the overarching goals of CLSD include but are not limited to:

- Offer a resource for the Church to equip and re-energize congregants and ministry leaders to carry out the Great Commission in light of a climate and culture where the church is in decline.
- Create a school of discipleship that is made available, free of charge, to the Church to equip congregants and ministry leaders to grow as disciples who make disciples.
- Provide engaging, first-class presenters to provide the main lecture and to develop the weekly small group ministry guides.
- Invite local area LCMS churches and ministry leaders to attend onsite and/or online.
- Invite outstate churches throughout MN South District to attend online.
- Encourage participants to invite others to participate in the program in different states either through the live broadcasts or through archived presentations.

#### HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- Onsite at Cross View in a combination lecture assembly and small group breakout format.
- Online lectures and content live-streamed via a hosted, online platform so questions can be submitted to presenters.
- On-Demand sessions and resources archived for ongoing availability.

#### TIMING

- Three nine-week sessions start September 16 and run until the end of April.
- Sessions will be held Thursdays from 6:30 8:30 PM, both onsite at Cross View and via live streaming.
  All sessions will be archived for all participants.

#### **SESSION FORMAT**

6:30 – 6:40	Opening
6:45 – 7:10	Small Group Check-in
7:15 – 7:45	Presenter Lecture
7:50 – 8:15	Small Group Discussion
8:20 – 8:30	Q&A with Presenter and Closing

#### CLASS OVERVIEWS 3 areas of focus each lasting 9 weeks

#### **Discipleship and Missions in the Old Testament** September 16 – November 19



Can Israel's scriptures really help us grow as disciples of Jesus who make disciples of all nations? Indeed! In this class, we will meet world-class missionaries—people like Abraham, Solomon, Isaiah, and Zecha-

riah. Even Jonah will teach us a thing or three!

Presenter — **Dr. Reed Lessing,** Professor of Theology and Ministry, Concordia University, St. Paul, MN

#### **The Good Life in Christ – Ethics for the Christian Disciple** December 2 – February 10



Participants will look at ethical issues from God's perspective. How do divine commands shape our ethical decision-making? What divine virtues are we designed to reflect? How does God motivate our

morality as Christian disciples? The class will look at the crucial functions of justice, love, humility, vocation, and freedom in the life and witness of the Christian.

Presenter — **Dr. Dean Nadasdy**, President Emeritus, MN South District, LCMS

#### **Discipleship and Missions in the New Testament** February 24 – April 28



The challenges and opportunities facing us as Christians today mirror in many ways the challenges and opportunities in the New Testament church. In

this class, we will learn from those first Christians, their leaders, and Christ Himself how we have been saved and sanctified to be His people today in, and for the sake of, the world He loves so much.

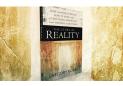
Presenters — **Dr. William Utech**, Assistant to the President, Missions, and **Dr. Phillip Johnson**, Assistant to the President, Mission Formation, both of MN South District, LCMS

CLSD is an incredible offering for our congregation to grow as disciples who make disciples. Let's all take advantage of it! In addition, let's be a light to our community near and far as each of us pass on the details of this opportunity to our networks of friends and churches.

Get information and register at <u>www.crossview.net/</u> <u>communitylight</u> or via email at <u>CLSD@crossview.net</u>.

#### THE STORY OF REALITY SUNDAY MORNINGS, 9:30–10:30 AM (ONSITE IN ROOMS 209–210 AND ONLINE)

What do you use to interpret events as they unfold in the world? Do you use personal opinion? Media's opinion? Science? Song lyrics? The force? Something else? In "The



Story of Reality," we'll examine the big picture to see God's story unfold from Creation through the End Times. We'll work to assemble a world view, showing how the pieces fit together to guide us through life and to understand events unfolding around us. <u>Register for this class at CVConnect.</u> Questions? Email Mark Weber at <u>mvweber1@yahoo.com</u>.

#### WALK WITH JESUS — JOURNEY THROUGH THE GOSPELS SUNDAY MORNINGS, 9:30–10:30 AM (ONSITE IN THE SANCTUARY AND ONLINE)

Join us this year as we take time to just read through scripture together. Let's read God's



Word together and follow Jesus through the Gospels. Let's share what the Holy Spirit is showing and teaching us and then look for ways that we can put it into practice. Pastor Steve will be leading this class. If you have questions email him at <u>steve@crossview.net</u>. <u>Sign up for this class at</u> <u>CV Connect</u>.

#### **MEMBERSHIP CLASSES SUNDAYS, 9:30 AM**

Do you want to know more about our Cross View (CV) family? Have you been here a while and want a refresher? Or do you want to join the CV family and learn how God is growing His kingdom in and through us? Check out our classes below and if you're interested, register for any of the following classes on Cross View Connect or contact Ann Ryan at annryan@hotmail.com.

- Sundays, September 26–October 17: Join the CV Family: In these four sessions, you'll learn about the core of our faith family. Get to know the heart of Cross View as you join our CV family.
- Sundays, October 24–November 21: Go All In: In these four sessions, you'll learn how to get involved, get connected, grow, and serve with other Cross View members using your gifts and talents to serve Christ and His Kingdom.
- Sunday, November 21: New Member Sunday: You can formally become a member of the CV family and be received into membership at a worship service.

#### **KIDSTITUTE RETURNS!**

We are so excited to bring back our in-person gathering of kids in grades K–6th grade on Wednesday nights at 6:30–8:00 PM in the youth activity room (221). During this time, we will engage in fun games, visual arts, Bible stories, snacks, and so much more. Please see Dcs. Barb Coffin for more information at <u>barb@crossview.ne</u>t.

### Early Childhood Center

#### THE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER IS HIRING

Many of the Early Childhood Center's great teachers have left due to the housing market and to the K–8th schools. They are looking for a part-time float position and full-time toddler teacher. It is very hard to hire early childcare workers right now, so anyone that you might know of and could give their information to would be greatly appreciated.

Benefits for full-time employees include all paid benefits (health, vision, dental), paid vacation and sick, and meals are provided (breakfast, lunch, and snack). Hourly rate depends on education and experience.

Please tell them to contact Stacey LaMere at <u>stacey@</u> <u>crossview.net</u> or call the center at 952-941-0009.

#### NEW AND IMPROVED CURRICULUM

During the month of September all classrooms started to use a new and improved curriculum that the ECC was able to purchase because they are a 4-Star Parent Aware program. The curriculum is called Creative Curriculum and every class has a theme to follow for the month. The Infants theme for September was brushes, Toddlers theme balls, Ducklings (3) theme shoes, Penguins (4) theme trees, and the Hoppers (5) theme was a getting to know you topic. Here are a few pictures to show you all the learning the ECC kids have been doing.



## Youth Ministries

#### YOUTH GROUP MEETING IN PERSON AGAIN

Sunday night senior high youth group is back! They meet from 6:30–8:00 PM in the senior high room. Activities range from Frisbee to card games while we try to build fellowship and unity in Christ.

Our October Schedule is:

- October 3: Onsite Youth Group
- October 10: Onsite Youth Group
- October 17: Onsite Youth Group
- October 24: Onsite Youth Group
- October 30: Rake & Run (8:00 AM-5:00 PM)

#### **RAKE AND RUN**

The junior and senior high youth will do our annual Rake and Run fundraiser on October 30th. How exciting!

- If you are interested in having the youth rake your lawn for a donation towards their mission trips and activities, please sign up here on CV Connect or at the Event Registration in the church lobby. Jonathan will contact you the week of Oct. 22nd to give you a rough estimate of what time we will be to your house. The youth ask for a donation of \$5 per bag raked, however, that is not mandatory. We are happy to rake your lawn regardless!
- If youth are planning to attend, please sign up here on CV Connect or at the Event Registration so we can have enough drivers!

#### **REALITY CONFERENCE: CHAOS TO CLARITY**



November 12th and 13th we have an opportunity to attend a conference at Grace Church titled Chaos to Clarity. This conference is put on by a company called Stand to Reason (STR) and discusses a lot of the hot topics and Christian Apologetics out there such as God's Existence, Homosexuality, God and

Science, Trustworthiness of Scripture, and many others.

#### **CONFERENCE DETAILS**

4:00 PM November 12th through 7:00 PM November 13th at Grace Church

Cost: \$75 per person (Adults as well)

Housing: We will be staying at Cross View overnight to eliminate drop-offs and pick-ups.

Transportation: We are asking our chaperones to drive youth to and from the conference.

#### **2022 NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING**

The first informational meeting regarding the 2022 National Youth Gathering was held on September 12th. They discussed estimated costs, timelines, and all other details necessary. If you're a student who is between 8th & 12th grade and are interested in participating, please contact Jonathan to get more information. If you're a parent who is interested in participating, please also contact Jonathan to get more details.



#### A WARM WELCOME TO CROSS VIEW'S NEW FIELD WORKER

Cross View welcomes a new field worker from Concordia, St Paul. Samuel Ruth will be involved in all areas of ministry over the course of the year to learn more about team ministry and to gain experience in all aspects of church work life as a DCE. Here is a note from Samuel:

"Hi. I'm Samuel Ruth. I'm from Mesa, Arizona, and I am a junior at Concordia University, Saint Paul, in the Director of Christian Education program. I am the president of CSP's student-led worship organization and



in my free time I like to complete DIY projects and read. I'm looking forward to being a part of your congregation for the next school year and all the opportunities that are ahead."

## Women's Ministries

## CROSS VIEW WOMEN OF ALL AGES...SAVE THIS DATE!

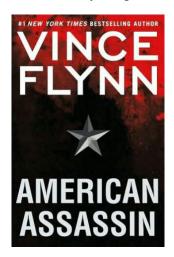
Mark your calendars for the first annual Cross View Women's Fall Luncheon on Saturday, November 6, from 11:00 AM–1:00 PM in our beautiful Great Commission Room. The theme will be "If the Shoe Fits: Using our Gifts to Serve Others" based on 1 Peter 4:10. We will gather together for food and fellowship as we learn how to use our God given gifts to serve others. Check the bulletin in the coming weeks for registration information. Please plan to attend what we hope will become a wonderful annual event.

## WOMEN'S DINNERS OUT IN OCTOBER

The October Women's Dinner Out will be at The Hilltop in Edina (5101 Arcadia Ave) on Thursday, October 14th at 7:00 PM. Please register <u>here</u> <u>through CV Connect</u> and let Quynn Iske (<u>qunika@msn.com</u> or 612-816-3657) know if you have any questions or if you need to place an order ahead.

#### WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Book Club members have selected American Assassin by Vince Flynn to read and discuss at our next meeting on Monday, October 18th. We will meet at 1:00 PM at church in Room 218. Please contact Marcy (mpnordhus@gmail.com) if you have questions or are interested in joining.



## INSTALLATION OF Barb Goffin

Join us for the installation of Barb Coffin as Director of Children's ministry on October 17 at both services.

> A reception will immediately follow the 8:15 AM service.



## **Senior Ministries**

#### **NEWS FOR SENIOR ADULTS**

S.A.G.E.S. of Minnesota South District has again rescheduled its annual gathering in Mankato. The organization exists to enhance the Senior Adult ministry by providing experiences in Christian fellowship, service, and life enrichment. Cross View members have and will participate in this event held on Monday and Tuesday, October 25 & 26, at the Country Inn and Suites, 1900 Premier Dr, Mankato, MN. Registration deadline is Oct. 8. Information is available at www.mnsdistrict.org.

## Save the Date

Volunteers needed to decorate the church for Christmas on Friday, November 26th, from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM. We welcome families, teens, and every age to put up Christmas trees all over the building.

Stay for an hour — or for as long as you wish. Your help is appreciated. Hot chocolate and treats for all. Contact Sue to volunteer at <u>Sue@crossview.net</u>.



## **Music Ministry**

#### **MUSIC REHEARSALS**

Praise team rehearsals are Wednesdays 5:15–6:30 PM in the sanctuary.

Bell choir rehearsals are Wednesdays 6:30–7:30 PM in the sanctuary.

Contact Sue Quist at <u>sue@cross-</u> <u>view.net</u> for more information.

#### WOMEN'S CHORUS

Love to sing? We have begun a women's vocal group — and welcome all levels of sopranos and altos. Contact Sue for more information.

#### WELCOME MAT UP AND RUNNING!

The Welcome MAT would like to say a big thank you to all of those who have stepped up to be a part of this exciting new ministry! We began our soft launch on August 15th, and the launch became official on Kickoff Sunday, September 12th. We've had a few positive visitor connections, but in order for this to truly be successful, we are still in need of additional volunteers for Hosts and Welcome Center Attendants. The time commitment is minimal — Sunday only — and if we get enough volunteers, it would be only once every month or two. We ask that you prayerfully consider participating in this vital ministry. If you would like to volunteer or if you have any questions, please contact either Sue Harrison (kharrison1111@gmail.com) or Tonya Bushey (tonyabushey@gmail.com).

Cross View members, as Pastor Steve has emphasized, you are a vital part of welcoming visitors, so whether or not you actually volunteer to be a part of the team, we ask that you please help us recognize and acknowledge visitors in our efforts to make them feel welcomed and to grow the Kingdom of God at Cross View!

#### **INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP CENTERS – TWIN CITIES**

What's the Lutheran Church doing about climate change, the Afghanistan War, the Israeli/Palestinian conflict, and the humanitarian crisis in Ethiopia? What? That is not the business of the church, is it? Except that some of our young people are leaving the church precisely because they say that the church is irrelevant to what is going on in the world.

What they need to know, what we all need to know, is that the Lutheran Church is involved in all these conflicts in announcing and living out good news to the refugees and immigrants who have fled these disasters. Now congregations in our area are setting up "International Friendship Centers" with the help from POBLO, affiliated with the Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod.

The Friendship Centers reach out to people whose lives have been turned upside down in coming here. At the centers some learn English, do some family sewing, get school supplies for the kids, and learn how to become citizens. Most important they find friends who love them, stand with them, and even share their faith with them.

POBLO International Friendship Centers – Twin Cities is starting up again after the COVID-19 crisis. In a RESTART, programs are back underway, with a new organization, a coordinator to facilitate the work, and missionary Nadar Alaraj will be assisted by an ambassador to reach out to the congregations in the area. In this RESTART the focus is on how POBLO can help people of local congregations experience the excitement and enjoyment of working with their new neighbors.

Available for preaching is the new ambassador, our own Rev. Dr. Robert Schmidt. Dr. Schmidt was missionary to Nigeria, Dean of Theology at Concordia University in Portland, and has lectured in Zimbabwe, Germany, China, India, Japan, and Kazakhstan.

## He joins Nadar Alaraj, a native of Palestine, the missionary of POBLO in the Twin Cities, in **helping congregations join in God's mission "to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8) that are right next door to us.**

As part of our partnership in God's mission, POBLO is a part of our annual budget. What's more, the Minnesota South District recognizes the value of this ministry and has pledged to match congregation funds with their own and possibly even more. We are also trying to help POBLO find individuals and families within the Cross View family who would prayerfully consider partnering with POBLO with the time, abilities, experiences, and finances God has entrusted to them for His mission and the growth of His Kingdom. If you'd like to know more about how to serve or support our partnership with POBLO, email the Rev. Dr. Bob Schmidt (robert.f.schmidt@comcast.net), Loren Rehmer (lorehm@aol.com), or Pastor Toby (toby@crossview.net).

An agnostic in Portland, Oregon, was once asked why there were so many refugees in the Twin Cities. He said, "I guess that it is because of all those Lutherans there." Was he right?

#### SERVICE SUNDAY...IS BACK!

Mark your calendars to join us on Sunday, October 31, for an opportunity to serve members of Cross View, as well as the community around us. Following the 8:15 AM service we will have a variety of service opportunities in which people of all ages can participate. (*Please note: Service Sunday will be in place of discipleship hour on this week.*)

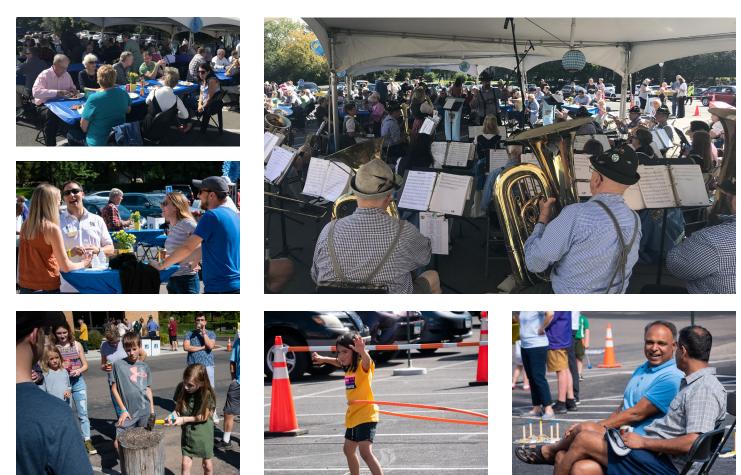
Here are some of the projects already in the works:

- Cards for School Administrators: We will have materials ready to make a thank you card to the Administrators of all the schools our Cross View students attend. Make a card and show your appreciation!
- **College Care Packages:** We will pack Fall care packages for Cross View's college students. We will also have supplies to write notes of encouragement to our students.
- **Tying Quilted Blankets:** As part of Cross View's quilting ministry, there will be blankets ready to be tied, which will then be given to different community sources around the Twin Cities.
- Hospitality Kits for Healing Flats Ministry in Rochester, MN: For individuals and families receiving treatment while at Mayo Clinic. We will pack gift bags. Items we need donated are toothbrushes, toothpaste, wash cloths & small hand towels; unused small hotel products are welcome.
- Goodie Bags for Trinity First Thanksgiving: Decorate and pack goodie bags for the students at Trinity First Lutheran School. These Goodie bags will be delivered with the Thanksgiving baskets in November. Please bring items on or before Sunday, October 24, for projects, and then help Cross View help others.

Do you have an idea for a project or want to help planning the event? Please contact Pastor Toby (<u>toby@crossview.net</u>) or Jon Zellar (<u>jonathan@crossview.net</u>) or the church office.

## **Oktoberfest Was a Success**

Food and fellowship were had by all as seen on the smiling faces of almost 400 members and visitors. German music by the Musikmeisters, food from ABC Catering, and beverages from Fusion Events made for a memorable afternoon. The Fun Zone found kids, both young and young at heart, tossing balls, doing chalk art, and enjoying the sunshine. Adults tried their hand at a nail driving competition and corn hole. Some even polkaed the afternoon away. It was a wonderful day at Cross View.

































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## GROW

#### SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:15 AM Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

10:45 AM Contemporary Worship in the Great Commission Room

Sunday services are also <u>live streamed</u>.

Communion 2nd & 4th Sundays

SUNDAY EDUCATION 9:30 AM Onsite & Online

OFFICE HOURS Mon.-Fri., 9:00 ам - 4:30 рм

#### CALENDAR

Our most current calendar is always available at www.crossview.net/calendar

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