

CROSSROADS



JULY
2023



Atonement Lutheran Church
1980 Silver Lake Rd NW, New Brighton, MN 55112

Cross of Glory Lutheran Church
5472 Adams Street, Mounds View, MN 55112

From the Deacon's Desk

This June we echo the words of our National ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton who declares, "June is national Pride month and during this time we celebrate the gifts of our 2SLGBTQIA siblings. You enrich our church. We celebrate you this month and all year long..."



During our May council meetings both churches combined for a lengthy discussion about how we as a parish can take steps forward in our journey to welcome our 2SLGBTQIA+ neighbors and community members. Following this, Pastor Cassie and I chose to kick off Pride month in June (Honoring the 1969 Stonewall Uprising in Manhattan) with an event that was simple and welcoming; on June 1st church members stood on our church properties (both Atonement and Cross of Glory) with a rainbow flag that stated "everyone is welcome here," waved at people as they drove by, and offered bright carnations in a rainbow of colors.

The outpouring of love, support, horn honking, cheering from cars as they drove by was overwhelming. We had people from the community stop by specifically because they saw our post in the Facebook city groups to receive a flower. As school let out for the day at Pinewood Elementary students, teachers and staff were welcomed as they walked and drove down County Road I at Cross of Glory, and nearly all 50 flowers were handed out. We even had a generous anonymous donor cover the cost of the flowers and supplies. Post-cards with info about our church and upcoming events like VBS were handed out with the flowers.

Thanks to everyone who made this event a success and we look forward to finding more simple ways to show our welcome!

God's Peace,
Deacon Brad



Faith and a Pint Monthly Fellowship Group

Join Deacon Brad and others for Faith and a Pint—a monthly Fellowship Group—all are invited!

When: July 28 @ at 6:30pm at Torg Brewery

Where: Torg Brewery in Spring Lake Park - 8421 University Ave NE, Spring Lake Park, MN 55432

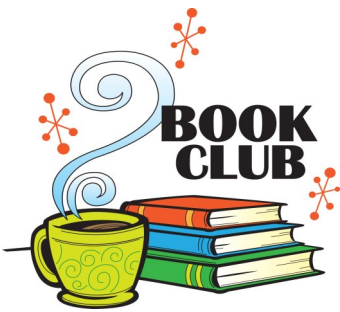
Who: All ages welcome! Blue Sun Soda and other non-alcoholic options served.

What: A social get together with folks from church! Come talk about faith, the world, and your life while sipping a craft brew with your friends.

Cost: Bring a few bucks and check out their tap selection at <https://www.torgbrewery.com/>

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Atonement Book Club Daytime



The Atonement Book Club Daytime book discussion group is not meeting July and August. The second Monday in September we will discuss *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus. People from both Atonement and Cross of Glory are welcome. You can attend all of the discussions or only those that interest you. Please bring a mask and your own beverage.

Mounds View Festival in the Park Parade Float CONTEST!

Crossroads congregation will be participating again this year in the Mounds View Festival in the Park parade. The parade is Friday, August 18th at 5:00pm. We are having a contest for float ideas for the parade. Please send your ideas with pictures (if any) to Marilyn Goldsworthy at maylon1@juno.com. Please use "MV Parade Contest" in the subject line.



We'll have a tractor and trailer available for participation. Please submit your ideas by July 31. A prize will be given for the best idea. Anyone, any age is eligible to participate. So let's see your great creativity!

The Mounds View Festival in the Park is Friday-Saturday, August 19-20. Saturday there is a car show, 5K, festival booths and fireworks in the evening. The festival is at Silver View Park in Mounds View.

Please volunteer to participate in this event to spread the word about our great faith community. For more information contact Marilyn Goldsworthy at 651-247-3139.

Spring Plant Sale Update

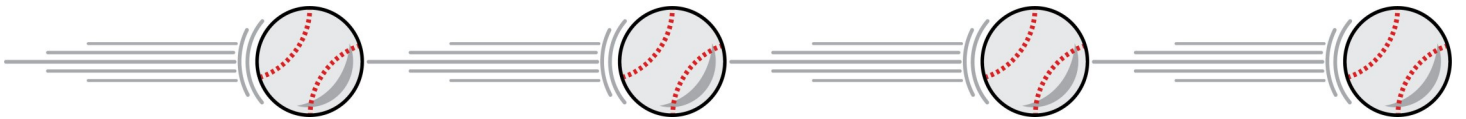


The net profits for the Spring Plant Sale was \$1,208! Thank you to everyone who purchased plants and invited your friends and family to purchase too.

A big thank you to the people who donated to the church flower boxes and planters:

Annette Steichen, Ron & Shelly Markham, Ardon & Lovera Olson, John & Jill Thompson, Jeff & Shelley Kinsel, Jeanne Boyle, Joe & Jackie Flaherty and Tom & Becky Redding

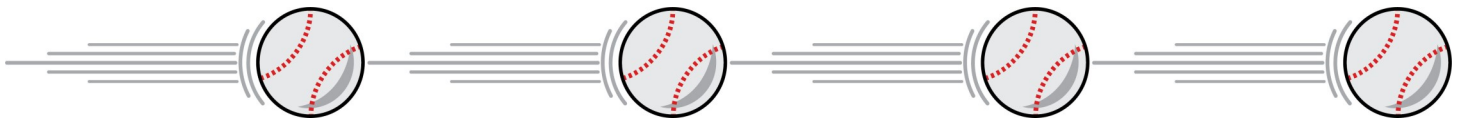
And thank you to Jeff Kinsel & Bob Reed for coordinating it and all the helpers who distributed plants on pick up day!



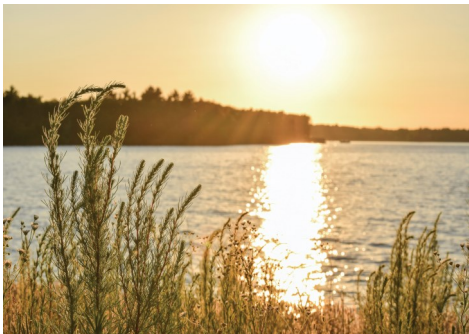
Lutheran Night with the Twins!

This year's Lutheran Night at Target Field is Tuesday, August 15—Twins vs. Detroit Tigers.

This is a great social event for our parish and none of us even has to work! Bring your family and friends! Tickets are \$26 each. Requests for tickets and payment should be made to Shannon Rosas **by July 25**.



BWCA—Sign up by July 5th



We're going to the Boundary Waters for a camping and canoeing adventure August 1—6. There's still room for more people. Let Deacon Brad know by July 5 if you would like to go. You're welcome to bring friends or family too!

Deacon Brad can be reached at Brad@Crossroads55112.org
or 612-242-7250.

Community Support Center Walk a Mile for Your Neighbor



Neighbors Helping Neighbors

When: Sunday, July 30—9am—1pm

Where: Silver View Park (Silver Lake Rd and County Rd I) in Mounds View

What: A fundraising event to support the work of the Community Support Center

- Walk on a fine path around a small lake.
- Bring your dog if he/she wants a lake walk too.
- Get a chance to win a \$100 gift card when you donate.
- Enjoy music along the way.
- Meet folks (from local churches) who will give you a “dot”.
- Eat a free hot dog when the walk is done.
- Support this community’s efforts to keep our neighbors in their homes.

Habitat for Humanity 2023

A local Habitat for Humanity crew is working on a build the week of July 24-28. If anyone is interested in joining the crew, contact Ed Roth (Gretchen Davis’ dad) at 612-998-6729.



The church office will be closed on the following days in July:

- ⇒ July 4
- ⇒ July 20 – 24

“God’s work. Our hands.” Service Day is September 10

This day is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

Service activities offer an opportunity for us to explore one of our most basic convictions as Lutherans: that all of life in Jesus Christ – every act of service, in every daily calling, in every corner of life – flows freely from a living, daring confidence in God’s grace.

We hope you will begin thinking of service ideas we can do as a parish together. We are looking for a person(s) to take ownership and lead our congregations in a service project. See the ELCA.org website for more information and ideas.

Summer Stretch 2023

July 31—August 4



Summer Stretch is a weeklong summer ministry program centered around service and fellowship. Middle school participants (students in grades 5—11 during the 2022/23 school year) come together for worship, service in the community, and to have fun—all so that we grow as Jesus' followers!

The day begins for participants at 8:15 until 4:30. Drop off and pick up is at Incarnation Lutheran Church in Shoreview.

Summer stretch volunteers are needed because we will be using buses and 15-passenger vans for transportation. An adult from each participant and youth leader family is encourage to volunteer one shift during the week. See the registration form for more details.

Cost ranges: \$55—\$130 (3 ways to summer stretch, read carefully):

- Full 4-day + Valleyfair: \$130
- Full 4-day (no Valleyfair): \$100
- Valleyfair ONLY (incl. bus transport): \$55

This is a multi-church program and students from any congregations are welcome and encouraged to participate. The registration deadline is July 16.

Register through this link: <https://forms.gle/76jfCYWZX5j8gKlK7>

Payments can be made online at: <https://paypal.me/SummerStretch>

Checks can made payable to Summer Stretch and dropped off at either Cross of Glory or Atonement.

Summer is Here, But Fall Preschool is Around the Corner

King's Kids Preschool, located in the education wing of Atonement Church, will begin fall classes on Tuesday, September 5. If you know anyone with a 33 month – 4 year old child who would like a quality Christian preschool, King's Kids in the answer. Students develop skills in an atmosphere of caring, tolerance, curiosity, and sharing.

The tuition amounts (depending on the days and hours preschool is needed) are on the Atonement website. Please call 651-633-9604 to ask questions or schedule a tour.

Lisa Altomari, Director and Bonnie Anderson, Treasurer



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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!



Megan Beebe – Granddaughter of Ron & Carol Hoiby. Megan graduated from Blaine High School and will attend the University of Minnesota-Duluth to study Human Biology.

Riley Correll—Granddaughter of Shari Waddell. Riley graduated from Estero High School in Florida. She plans to continue her education in the field of criminology.

Annika Fabian – Daughter of Pete & Lindsey Fabian & granddaughter of Paul & Bonnie Anderson. Annika graduated from Irondale High School and will attend Loyola University Chicago, majoring in Nursing and minoring in Dance.

Tyler Leavell – Grandson of Bernie & Gwen Lentsch. Tyler graduated from Winona State University. He completed four years of study and will be completing his internship at Lino Lakes Elementary School this fall. He earned a degree in Vocal Music and another in Elementary Education.

Nora Mills – Daughter of Deacon Brad & Karen Mills. Nora graduated & received her preschool certificate from King’s Kids Preschool at Atonement and will attend Pinewood Elementary/Pike Lake Kindergarten Center next fall.

Wyatt Olson – Son of Garth Olson & grandson of Ardon & Lovera Olson. Wyatt graduated from the Alexandria Area High School and will be employed in the Surgical Instrument Department at Alomere Hospital in Alexandria.

Andrew Lester Steichen – Son of Keith & Sharon Steichen & grandson of Annette Steichen. Andrew graduated from St. Thomas University with a major in Computer Science and a minor in Theology.

Thomas Wurdemann – Son of Lisa & Peter Wurdemann & grandson of Annette Steichen. Thomas graduated from Bethel University with a degree in Business.



Camp Wapo is coming up in July and this year we have 15 campers going! There are 3 youth in grades 10—12 going to Ox Roots week-long camp; 8 youth in grades 4—9 going to Wapo week-long camp and 4 youth in grades 1—3 going to Seeds weekend camp.

We are so excited for them! Every year they come back with stories of how much fun it was.

Highlights

VBS 2023



Outreach—Pride Month





MARK YOUR CALENDARS WITH OUR SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

All worship services during the summer, June – August, will be at **9:30am**.

Communion will be on the **2nd & 4th Sundays** of each month.

MONTH OF JULY – A HOLY EXPERIMENT with worship at one congregation & a live stream to the sister congregation
(Communion July 9, 23)

July 2 - Atonement

July 9 - Cross of Glory

S'more Worship – Wednesday, July 12, 6:30pm – Cross of Glory

July 16 - Atonement

July 23 - Cross of Glory

July 30 - Atonement

MONTH OF AUGUST (Communion August 13, 27)

August 6, 13, 27 – Atonement

S'more Worship – Wednesday, August 9, 6:30pm – Cross of Glory

August 20 - Worship at Silver View Park in Mounds View (at corner of Silver Lake Rd & Cty Rd I)

LABOR DAY WEEKEND - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Atonement at 9:30am

September 10—Back to regular schedule. Service Sunday—"God's work. Our Hands."

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Notes & Care

Atonement Birthdays & Anniversaries

July 1 Gwen Blomseth

July 2 Tom Redding

July 5 Gwen Lentsch

July 11 Ava Nix

July 12 Iva Mills

July 13 Alisa Haselhorst

July 13 Adam Vasel

July 13 Pete & Lindsey Fabian (2001)

July 15 Carol Hoiby

July 16 Mary Billington

July 20 Paul & Bonnie Anderson (1968)

July 24 Ray Lucas

July 24 Marilyn Nelson & Paul Thompson (2021)

July 28 Bob Kinney

July 31 Brianna Thomalla



Thanks & Joy—Atonement & Cross of Glory

- ♥ Thanks to Lisa Altomari, Jaime Verkuilen, Paula Reed, Laurel Nelson, Alma Dornemann and Eli Nault for helping Pastor Cassie & Deacon Brad with VBS.
- ♥ Thank you to everyone who helped hand out flowers for our June 1st outreach event.
- ♥ Many thanks to Kevin Gaylor for driving to St. Cloud to pick up tables purchased for the Jumbo Sale.
- ♥ Thank you to Tony Houfek & Alice Sponholz for filling in at the last minute to do live streaming at Cross of Glory.
- ♥ And thank you everyone for all you do for Atonement and Cross of Glory every day!

In Our Prayers

† Linda Radtke & family of Debi Carlson

† Connie Gorter

† Jeremiah

† Wally Billington

† Lovera Olson

† Bruce Jahnke

† Linda Thorson

† Lorna, Bob, Gary Schultz & family

† Darryl & Chris

	SUNDAY, JULY 2— One Service at Atonement		SUNDAY, JULY 23—Communion	
	9:30		Live at COG 9:30	Streamed at ALC 9:30
Worship Assistant	Andrea Weatherly		TBD	NA
Lector	Vicki Klaers		Jeanette Lundgren	NA
Ushers/Acolyte	Judy Hill		Linda Thorson	Carol/Judy
Greeter	Janice Schmidt		Linda Radtke	NA
Bread Baker	No Communion		Shelly Markham	Lynn Miller
Comm Setup	No Communion		Roberta Olson	Judy Hill
Comm Servers	No Communion		Janice Wikstrom Leslie Bjork	Andrea Weatherly Virginia Braunwarth
Counters	COG: Bob Reed, Jeanette Lundgren ALC: TBD		Jeanette Lundgren Jason Emerson	TBD
Coffee Setup/Clean	NA		Jeanne Boyle	NA
COG Closer	NA		TBD	NA
	SUNDAY, JULY 9—Communion		SUNDAY, JULY 30	
	Live at COG 9:30	Streamed at ALC 9:30	Streamed at COG 9:30	Live at ALC 9:30
Worship Assistant	Dawn Saros-Kirk	Wayne Haselhorst	NA	Scott Carlson
Lector	Jaime Verkuilen	NA	NA	Laurel Nelson
Ushers/Acolyte	Leslie Bjork	Carol Hoiby	Paula Reed	Carol Hoiby
Greeter	Linda Thorson	NA	NA	Kevin & Gwen Blomseth
Bread Baker	Shelly Markham	Lynn Miller	No Communion	No Communion
Comm Setup	Kolleen Olsen	Lynn Miller	No Communion	No Communion
Comm Servers	Gwen Lentsch Janice Wikstrom	Lorna Schultz Wayne Haselhorst	No Communion	No Communion
Counters	Bob Reed, Jason Emerson	TBD	Roger Steen Gretchen Davis	TBD
Coffee Setup/Clean	Janice Wikstrom	NA	NA	NA
COG Closer	Dawn Saros-Kirk	NA	TBD	NA
	SUNDAY, JULY 16		SUNDAY, AUGUST 6—One Service at Atonement	
	Streamed at COG 9:30	Live at ALC 9:30	9:30	
Worship Assistant	NA	TBD	Carreen Houfek	
Lector	NA	Lorna Schultz	TBD	
Ushers/Acolyte	Jeff Olson	Bonnie Anderson	TBD	
Greeter	NA	Nancy Jahnke	Bea Laubach	
Bread Baker	No Communion	No Communion	No Communion	
Comm Setup	No Communion	No Communion	No Communion	
Comm Servers	No Communion	No Communion	No Communion	
Counters	Roger Steen, Gretchen Davis	TBD	TBD	
Coffee Setup/Clean	NA	NA	NA	
COG Closer	TBD	NA	NA	

JULY 2023—Crossroads Parish

Crossroads55112 Calendar, Birthdays, calendar@abovementnrb.org, calendar@crosslogtymv.org, Christian Holidays, Holidays In United States Jul 2023 (Central Time - Chicago)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
Camping 9:30am - A-Worship 12:30pm - A-Faith Comm	8am - A-Men's Bible	Independence Day Office Closed	10am - C-Prayer Shawls 1pm - A-Game Day 5:30pm - Collection	Camping 9am - A-Mount of 9am - C-New Birth	Camping 9am - A-Mount of 9am - C-New Birth	Camping 9am - A-Mount of 9am - C-New Birth
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
A-Prayer Ministers 9:30am - A-Video" 9:30am - C-Live" 12:30pm - A-Faith Comm	8am - A-Men's Bible 1pm - A-Kitchen Kutups 1pm - C-Fellowship Circle 5pm - A-Property	1pm - A-Elizabeth Circle	4pm - A-Worship 6:30pm - C-S'more	5pm - C-New Birth	5pm - C-New Birth	9am - A-Mount of 9am - C-New Birth
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Ox Roots Camp 9:30am - A-Live" 9:30am - C-Video" 12:30pm - A-Faith Comm	8am - A-Men's Bible	3:30pm - A-KXP Board	Office Closed 1pm - A-Game Day 5:30pm - Collection 6:30pm - A-Councils	Office Closed Seeds-Camp Wapo 5pm - C-New Birth	Office Closed Seeds-Camp Wapo 5pm - C-New Birth	9am - A-Mount of 9am - C-New Birth
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Seeds-Camp Wapo Youth-Camp Wapo 9:30am - A-Video" 9:30am - C-Live" 12:30pm - A-Faith Comm	Office Closed Youth-Camp Wapo 8am - A-Men's Bible	Youth-Camp Wapo	Youth-Camp Wapo 1pm - A-Game Day 5:30pm - Collection	Youth-Camp Wapo 5pm - C-New Birth 6:30pm - Faith and a Pint	Youth-Camp Wapo 5pm - C-New Birth 6:30pm - Faith and a Pint	9am - A-Mount of 9am - C-New Birth
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Summer Stretch 9:30am - A-Live" 9:30am - C-Video" 12:30pm - A-Faith Comm	Summer Stretch 8am - A-Men's Bible	Summer Stretch	Summer Stretch	Summer Stretch	Summer Stretch	Summer Stretch
30	31	1	2	3	4	5

Contact Us

Church Office Hours:

Both Atonement and Cross of Glory church offices are open Monday - Friday.

Atonement's office is open mornings until noon. Cross of Glory's office is open afternoons until 5:00. If you need entry into the church, it's best to confirm someone is there due to appointments or necessary schedule changes. Thanks!

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Atonement Minister of Music—Shannon Rosas
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Cross of Glory Choir Director—Jaime Verkuilen
Jaime@CrossOfGloryMV.org

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You are welcome to contact the church staff at either site, regardless of where you attend worship.



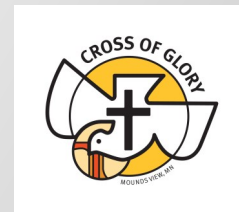
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