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

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

We return to our regular worship schedule:

8:30 at Cross of Glory

10:45 at Atonement

Communion served the second and fourth Sunday of each month.

April 7 is Confirmation Sunday.

April 21 the Rev. Justin Grimm from the synod will be preaching.

April 28—Special Congregational Meetings after service at both churches.

Congregational Meetings April 28

Both Atonement and Cross of Glory will have a short congregational meeting on April 28 after each service. The purpose of the meeting is to vote to add the following welcome statement to both our constitutions.

The congregation of Atonement/Cross of Glory invites all to worship with us and to celebrate God's love. Just as Jesus welcomed all, we welcome people of all races, cultures, ages, abilities, gender identities and expressions, sexual orientations, and anything that too often divides us. We commit to the work, known and unknown, of diversity, inclusivity, racial equity, and the preservation of God's beautiful creation. We recognize that we are children of God, made in God's image. We strive to respect each other, care for each other, and love one another as God loves us. With you here, we are closer to where God is calling us to be.



Growing Through Loss Grief Support Series

The series provides an opportunity for individuals to obtain information and support for a variety of loss and grief issues. The Spring series will be held at Christ the King Lutheran Church in New Brighton on Mondays from 7:00—9:00pm. There are six different sessions.

Registration takes place each program night from 6:45—7:00pm at the host church. Each session is complete in itself. You are welcome to attend one or all. Donations are accepted.

Schedule

April 8	The Conundrum of Absences and Presences
April 15	Thankfulness in the Midst of Grief
April 22	Families Coping with Grief
April 29	The Dimensions of Multiple Loss
May 6	Recalibrating Your Life After Loss
May 13	Prayer and Healing Service

For more information, call Margie Alexander at 763-755-5335.

Spring Community Events

If you would like to contribute to success for our community members, hear are some upcoming non-profit fundraiser events. All organizations have been vetted by the Atonement Charitable Giving Team.

Thursday, April 18: The Community Service Center (who provides financial advice and some rent assistance) is hosting a lunch at Salem Covenent Church in New Brighton from 11:30am—1:00pm. Lunch and presentation by program graduates. Call 651-387-8050 to register.

Wednesday, May 8: Northeast Youth and Family Services is having a lunch and presentation from 11:30am—1:00pm at Vadnais Heights Commons (655 County Road F East) describing their counseling and mental health services. Email amelia@nyfs.org to register.

Tuesday, May 21: Daily Work is hosting a dinner from 5:00—7:00pm at Westminster Presbyterian Church (free underground parking) at 1200 Marquette Avenue, Minneapolis. Efforts to find employment and acceptance of new Minnesotans will be highlighted. Call 612-272-6269 to register.

—Atonement Charitable Giving Team

March was Minnesota Food Share Month

Thank you to the Atonement members and guests who stepped up to the plate (forgive the baseball analogy). On March 28, six large bags (62#) of food were delivered to the food shelf by Paul & Bonnie Anderson.

—Atonement	Hunger Tea	m			
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Bingo!

Come join us April 17 at 6:30pm at Cross of Glory for a fun night of bingo with your family and friends! Cards are \$1 each and cash prizes could be yours. All proceeds go to support our church ministry work in your local neighborhood. Concessions will be available. This event is open to the public so invite your family, friends and neighbors. BINGO!





Spring Rummage Sale Budget Fundraiser

Atonement is having a rummage sale Thursday—Saturday, April 25-27.

In order for the sale to be successful we need your help the week of the sale, sign up to help with shifts and to help clean up after the sale ends on Saturday afternoon. Sign up sheet will be available Sunday, April 7.

We also need donations of gently used items in working condition.

Habitat for Humanity Pancake Breakfast

Messiah Lutheran Church in Mounds View is having their annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser on Sunday, April 21 from 8:30am—12:30pm. Stop in before or after our services for a yummy breakfast.

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Alexandra House in Blaine is our closest women's and children's shelter. Its mission is to empower victims of domestic and sexual violence through education, support, and advocacy.

If you know anyone who is a sexual assault victim, call 763-795-5471 to find them a safe site.

—The Charitable Giving Team

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: April 26 @ at 6:30pm

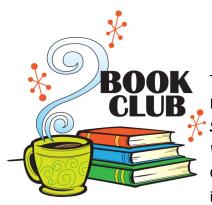
Where: Torg Brewery in Spring Lake Park - 8421 University Ave NE, Spring Lake Park, MN 55432 Who: All ages welcome! Blue Sun Soda and other

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/





ABCD Atonement Book Club Daytime

The Atonement Book Club Daytime book discussion group will be held in the Fellowship Hall at Atonement on Monday, April 1 at 1:00pm. We will discuss Solito: A Memoir by Javier Zamora. On May 6 we will discuss The Forest of Vanishing Stars by Kristin Harmel. 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.

Men's Retreat (any age)

Atonement and Cross of Glory, join us at Heartwood Resort, Friday—Sunday, May 3-5 for a low-key, relaxed time. Let's do bonfire, hanging out, card games, fishing, golf or just take time to relax. Bond with other members in our churches and discover a spiritual connection together.

Sound fun? Watch for details about cost and to sign up soon!

Questions? Contact Steve Klaers (steveklaers@gmail.com) or Deacon Brad (brad@crossroads55112.org).

Crossroads' Weekly Summer Camp Smash!

Weekly summer camp at Atonement King's Kids Preschool for ages 33 months to 5 years. Register for one week or all 9 weeks with fun weekly themes.

Whole day 9am—4pm \$200/week OR

Half day 9am—11:30am \$85/week

\$70 registration fee required (waived for current King's Kids Preschool students)

Save 10% by signing up for the full 9 weeks (no camp week of July 4)

Bring a bag lunch — milk, juice & water provided

Enrollment is open and is limited to 20 campers.

Email for registration info: preschool@atonementlutherannb.org

Sunday School News

March and Easter came upon us quickly. Now our Sunday School year will wrap up quickly as well. We have only 7 weeks left and of course, are planning all kinds of fun.

May Day baskets will be in the making. Be prepared to go out into the neighborhood April 28th to distribute baskets. Have the children dressed appropriately for the weather that day. Mother's Day projects are in the works as well. We will continue to learn bible stories from the Old Testament.

Hope you Easter is a blessed one!

—Marilyn Goldsworthy

Feed My Starving Children Event



All are invited to help Sunday School & Youth pack meals at Feed My Starving Children on Thursday, April 18 from 7:00—8:30pm. FMSC is located at 401 93rd Avenue NW in Coon Rapids.

About Feed My Starving Children:

"Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) is a Christian non-profit that provides nutritionally complete meals specifically formulated for malnourished children. Donations given by people just like you fund the meal ingredients. Volunteers hand-pack the meals. Meals are donated to FMSC food partners around the world, where kids are fed and lives are saved!"

There is a sign up sheet if you would like to attend. Ride sharing can be coordinated.

Notes & Care

Crossroads Birthdays & Anniversaries

- Apr 2 Deacon Brad & Karen Mills (2011)
- Apr 3 Melissa Emerson
- Apr7 Vicki Klaers
- Apr 12 Jim & Jan Zastrow (1969)
- Apr 15 Brent & Colleen Kosloski (1989)
- Apr 19 Bernie Lentsch
- Apr 20 Aili Vasel
- Apr 20 Colleen Kosloski

- Apr 21 Tim & Laurie Schmidt (2007)
- Apr 22 Cheryl Saunders
- Apr 23 Melanie Thomalla
- Apr 26 Deacon Brad Mills
- Apr 29 Sonya Eastham
- Apr 30 Victoria Eastham



Thanks & Joy-Atonement & Cross of Glory

- Thank you to everyone who helped with our services and activities during the season of Lent, Holy Week and Easter!
- And thank you everyone for all you do for Atonement and Cross of Glory every day!

In Our Prayers

- † Please keep Mary Billington and her family in your prayers as they mourn their loss of Wally.
- † Lynn Miller and her daughter, Cindy.
- † Mike, nephew of Jeanne Boyle.
- † Carol Tilden, sister Diane & grandson Austin.
- † Angelynn and baby Lila.
- † Arlene Drier
- † Wayne, a friend of a member.
- † Randi Christine, niece of Shari Sawyer.
- † Please keep the family of Shirley Tarr (a member of New Birth Church) in your prayers as they mourn their loss of Shirley.
- † Please keep Natalia (a friend of Cheryl Lunde) and the family of Abel Rahman in your prayers as they mourn their loss of Abel.
- † Jim, friend of Shari Waddell.
- † Please keep the family of Diane Wells in your prayers as they mourn their loss of Diane.

	Sunday,	April 7	Sunday, April 28		
	8:30	10:45	8:30	10:45	
Worship Assistant	TBD	Steve Klaers	TBD	Jim Nelson	
Lector	Jaime Verkuilen	Wayne Haselhorst	Shari Waddell	Laurel Nelson	
Ushers/Acolyte	Paula Reed	Judy Hill	Jeff Olson	Carol Hoiby	
Greeter	Linda Radtke	Kevin & Gwen Blomseth	Linda Thorson	Nancy Jahnke	
Bread Baker	No Comn	nunion	Shelly Markham	Carol Hoiby	
Comm Setup	No Comn	nunion	Linda Radtke	Judy Hill	
Comm Servers	No Comn	nunion	Gretchen Davis Linda Radtke	Laurel Nelson	
Counters	Bob Reed Jason Emerson	Gwen Blomseth Royce King	Bob Reed Gretchen Davis	Gwen Blomseth Sally Kline	
COG Closer	TBD	NA	Bob Reed	NA	
	Sunday, A	April 14	Sunday, May 5		
	8:30	10:45	8:30	10:45	
Worship Assistant	TBD	Wayne Haselhorst	TBD	Jennifer Schneider	
Lector	Claire Verkuilen	Vicki Klaers	Kolleen Olsen	TBD	
Ushers/Acolyte	Benson/Redding Bonnie Anderson		Linda Thorson	Judy Hill	
Greeter	Annette Steichen	Carol Hoiby	Paula Reed	Carol Tilden	
Bread Baker	Shelly Markham Carol Hoiby No Commun		munion		
Comm Setup	Jeff & Roberta Olson	Carol Hoiby	No Communion		
Comm Servers	Jaime Verkuilen, Leslie Bjork	Vicki Klaers	s No communion		
Counters	Jason Emerson Roger Steen	Tony Houfek Bruce Jahnke	Bob Reed Jason Emerson	Tony Houfek Royce King	
COG Closer	Dani Gow	NA	TBD	NA	
	Sunday, A	April 21	ATALICTEM		
	8:30	10:45	MINISTRY		
Worship Assistant	TBD	Carreen Houfek			
Lector	Gretchen Davis	Virginia Cahow			
Ushers/Acolyte	Leslie Bjork	Lindsey Fabian			
Greeter	Jeanne Boyle	Steve & Vicki Klaers	ASSIST	ANTS	
Bread Baker	No Comn	nunion	Thank you to all the volunteers! If you are		
Comm Setup No Comn		nunion	unable to serve when scheduled, please find a		
Comm Servers	No Comn	nunion	replacement and let the office know. If you would like to help during Sunday morning worship and are not on the schedule, contact		
Counters	Roger Steen Gretchen Davis	Bruce Jahnke Royce King			
COG Closer Marilyn Goldsworthy		NA	the office.		

Atonement Prayer Ministers will be available following the 10:30 worship service on the <u>second Sunday of each month</u> for those requesting intercessory prayers for themselves or others. Please contact Mary Billington if you are interested in serving as a prayer minister once a month.

Cross of Glory Council Minutes February 21, 2024

Welcome

Call to order 8:45pm

Roll call

Present: Paula, Peg, Gretchen, Karen, Kevin, Matt, Cassie, Brad

Absent: Claire, Colleen

Review of minutes from last meeting (2024-01-24 COG Council MINUTES)

Kevin moves to approve minutes as presented; seconded by peg. Motion carries. Financial Reports

Treasurer's Report (January 2024 COG Treasurer Report.pdf)

Weekly giving numbers have been good post-annual meeting.

Monthly Invoice (2024-01-31 ALC 1388.pdf)

Team Reports

Property (Kevin)

Update on carpet cleaning (Paula)

Dawn is reaching out to the person who did the Atonement floors, will receive a quote. Paula will get a quote from Zerorez

Constitution & ByLaws (Karen)

No updates

Karen will send the updated constitution to the synod

Worship & Music (Paula)

Nothing to report

Projector in the front of the church needs to be moved - tripping hazard and eyesore. In order to move the projector to the back of the sanctuary, a different projector would be needed to make projection size appropriate. Need to balance the inconvenience and the impact on budget. Could be mounted upside down. Big screen TVs might be a more economical solution.

Need to contact the other church: they leave their speaker next to the organ and it's in the way. Matt will reach out. Also, have them label their stuff "New Birth" so things don't get lost.

Marketing/Communications (Matt)

New parish website. Cross of Glory will have a specific site, as will Atonement

Looking into a mailing to the community to share Easter services info

Outreach (Brad/Peg)

Fellowship group disbanded; planning to join the Naomi group

Youth (Claire + Youth Representative)

Youth Representative Update (Claire)

Claire will send an invitation to confirmed youth that are still in high school to be a 1-year appointment at council

Financial (Jon/Gretchen)

Need a vision conversation with Jon, Gretchen and Matt

Old Business

AED Purchase Update (Jon)

Space costs update vs. rental costs (Matt)

Contacts out with realtors, waiting to hear back

New Business

Small Group Discussion Notes (Feb 2024 comments from members.pdf)

Comments/concerns from members

Council and Parish minutes - more transparency

Idea: fireside chat - council member hosts an open forum monthly for questions. Good things/bad things/ whatever.

Remember our Pastor is 20 hours a week; our Deacon is 7.5 hours a week.

RIC Welcoming Statement Approval

Chapter 4: statement of purpose.

Insert a bylaw C4.02.01, language presented in the Parish Meeting. Motion by Peg; second by Paula. Motion carried unanimously

Cross of Glory Council Minutes Continued

Budget strategy/brainstorming

Roof: \$110,952.95, Payoff 11/1/2036, Monthly Payment \$886.00, Interest Rate 4.25%, Payment

Breakdown Pri \$516.23 / Int \$369.77

Building: \$71,409.37, Payoff 9/1/2026, Monthly Payment \$1,749.00, Interest Rate 4.00%, Payment

Breakdown Pri \$1,577.77 / Int \$171.23

Budget Brainstorming Ideas - Gretchen will collect

Ideas moved to document:

BRAINSTORM - Additional Income Ideas

Spring Plant Sale

Gertens - Dawn will be the contact person in the office; Linda Radtke

Wednesday May 15 1-5pm delivery; pick up time 6-8pm. Seller's name required; online ordering. Atonement and Cross of Glory.

Outreach opportunity - invite neighbors

Gertens will send us 30% after the sale is over (15% of gift card purchases)

Payment due at time of order

Affirmations

Thank you to everyone for all you do.

Adjourn

Lord's Prayer

Adjourned at 9:47pm

April 2024 - Crossroads Parish

Sat	9am - A-Mount of 9am - C-New Birth	9am - A-Mount of 9am - C-New Birth 3pm - A-Girl Scouts	9am - A-Mount of 9am - C-New Birth	9am - A-Mount of 9am - C-New Birth
£	Spm - C-New Birth	4:15pm - A-Charitable Spm - C-New Birth		5pm - C-New Birth 6:30pm - Faith and a Pirit
T.	1pm - A-Game Day	9:30am - A-Mary Circle 10am - C-Naomi Circle 1pm - A-Game Day	18 1pm - A-Game Day 7pm - FMSC	1pm - A-Game Day
Wed	10am - C-Prayer Shawls	4pm - C-Worship	6:30pm - C-Bingo	1
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Mon	Easter Monday Office Closed 8am - A-Bible Study 1pm - A-Ritchen Kutups	8am - A-Bible Study 1pm - A-Kitchen Kutups 6pm - A-Girl Scouts 6pm - A-Property	Tax Day 8am - A-Bible Study 1pm - A-Kitchen Kufups	8am - A-Bible Study 1pm - A-Kitchen Kutups 6pm - A-Girl Scouts 29 8am - A-Bible Study 1pm - A-Kitchen Kutups
Sun	31	C-Confirmation Sunday 8:30am - C-Worship 9:30am - C-Sunday 10:45am - A-Worship 12:30pm - A-Faith Comm	8:30am - C-Worship 9:30am - C-Sunday 10:45am - A-Worship 12:30pm - A-Faith Comm	8:30am - C-Worship 9:30am - C-Sunday 10:45am - A-Worship 12:30pm - A-Faith Comm 12:30pm - C-Worship 9:30am - C-Sunday 10:45am - C- 9:30am - C-Sunday 11:45am - A-Worship

Contact Us

Church Office Hours:

Monday—Friday
Atonement Mornings until Noon
Cross of Glory Afternoon until 5pm
Due to appointments, things that come up or schedule changes, please call ahead to be sure someone will be at the church.

How to Contact Us:

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Treasurer—Jon Thomalla Treasurer@AtonementNB.org Treasurer@CrossOfGloryMV.org

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King's Kids Preschool 651-633-2240 ext. 15 preschool@atonementlutheran-nb.org

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



Please submit newsletter articles by the THIRD MONDAY of the month.

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Worship Sundays at 8:30am

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