

## Vision of Crossway Multinational Church

At Crossway, we want to be a church that is of, by, and for peoples from many nations, languages, and cultures.

Our first commitment is to be a church *centered on and shaped by God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit*. We want the wonder of God's perfect creation, the sad reality of human sin, the surprising goodness of God's gracious forgiveness through Jesus Christ, and the amazing hope of God's coming Kingdom to shape who we are and what we do.

Our second commitment is to enact this church *without any ethnic or cultural priority*. Our commitment is to have people from multiple and diverse backgrounds help shape and lead our church, and that we would honor and fully welcome, and serve and be served by, people of many cultures. We want to be a foretaste of what the Apostle John envisioned:

A great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb...crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" (Revelation 7:9-10)

So whatever your culture or nationality, we welcome you, we want to learn from you, and we hope that you will experience and grow in the love of God through Christ among us.

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Multinational  
Church

**Welcoming and transforming  
the peoples of all nations  
to be united in the praise  
of God in Christ**

*May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.*

*Romans 15:5-7 (NIV)*

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## Order of Worship      December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Remember, Lord, your great mercy and love,  
for they are from of old.

*Psalm 25:6*

### Welcoming One Another & Announcements

#### Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

*Born Thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King, born to reign in us forever,  
now Thy gracious kingdom bring.*

### Advent Reflections

*Isaiah 40:1-11*

#### Magnificent, Marvelous, Matchless Love

*How far we had fallen from righteousness but not from the mercies of Christ.*

#### Stream of Praise

*Mercy and grace from the Father above come soften our hearts and fill us with love.*

#### Histuji-wa

*God's gift of love to all mankind, our Lord, Immanuel.*

### Children 3-6 to Junior Church

#### Prayer of Intercession

*John 17:20-23*

#### The Highest in the Lowest

*Luke 1:25-38*

#### Prayer of Confession

*Luke 1:38a*

#### Words of Assurance

*Psalm 25:6-7*

#### I Will Trust My Saviour Jesus

*What could I bring, for Your gift is complete, so I trust You, simply trust You, Lord,  
with every part of me.*

### The Lord's Supper

#### Hymn of the Saviour

*When the heavenly Saviour descended His throne, all my sin on His shoulders  
laid...*

### Benediction

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## Announcements

### Christmas Eve Celebration

Please join us on **December 24, 5-6pm**, as we celebrate the coming of the Son of God as a human being. It is a service of joy as we reflect on the gift of God to us in the person of Jesus Christ.

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### Christmas Tree Ornaments

One of our Christmas traditions is to invite people to provide ornaments from their own background or culture or experiences, and to include them on the Christmas Tree in the building for our worship services. All you need to do is bring your ornament and place it on the tree! If you are willing to donate your ornament, we can store it for use in future years. Or you can pick up your ornament after the Christmas Eve service or at the worship service on December 26. Do you have questions? Please contact Yeongmin Choi [choiyeungmin@gmail.com](mailto:choiyeungmin@gmail.com) or Seyoung Hong [sseyounghong@gmail.com](mailto:sseyounghong@gmail.com)

### Advent Reflections

One of our traditions as a church is to have people share about their own traditions and experiences with Christmas while they light candles for Advent and read Scripture preparing us for our Christmas celebration. If you will be joining us online, we encourage you to arrange for your own candles so that we can all participate in the Advent candles, whether online or in person. For more information, see <https://crosswaymchurch.org/advent/>

### Crossway Conversation: A New Core Value

The Crossway Board has proposed a new core value for consideration by the congregation. We will be voting on it at our annual meeting in January. You are invited to a "Crossway Conversation" on **December 12 right after the worship service**. This will be a time to think through and talk together about this idea of both grace and obedience. We will provide a light lunch and activities for kids. We will finish by 1:30. See <https://crosswaymchurch.org/radical-grace-and-obedience/>

### Crossway Kids

Kids are always welcome in our Crossway worship services! In addition, kids age 3-6 are invited to Junior Church during the second half of our worship services. Following the State of Michigan guidelines, we continue to require kids to wear masks except when outside. Please bring a simple snack (or one can be provided). Also, on alternating Thursday evenings 6-7, the kids are welcome to join online at [tiny.cc/cmckids](http://tiny.cc/cmckids).

### Other important dates

**December 19, 4:30-5:30pm:** Prayer gathering online at [tiny.cc/cmclive](http://tiny.cc/cmclive)