

Epiphany 2
Sunday, January 19, 2020



Cross of Glory Lutheran Church & School

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Rev. John Ehlers, Pastor

Rev. Benjamin Foxen, Pastor

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Jomax Campus
10111 W Jomax Road,
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Sat. 6pm and Sun. 9am Worship

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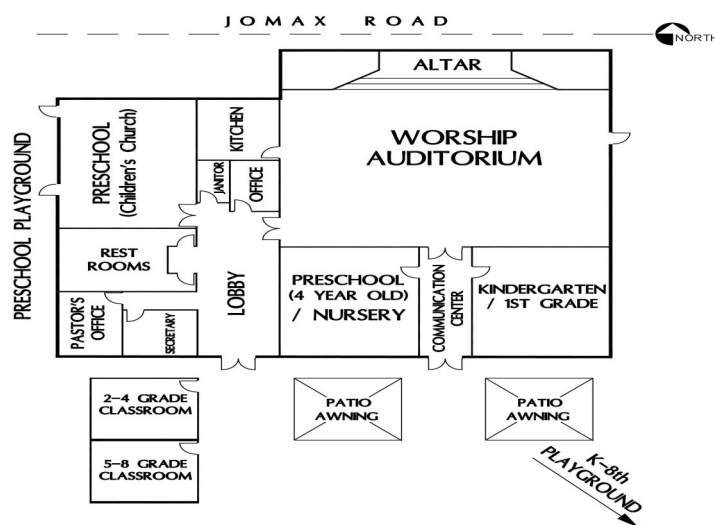
Welcome to our Worship Center! God defines a church as people gathering around Word and Sacrament. As you join us in this gathering, we pray that Jesus' peace and power will fill you.

Families with children:

- Restrooms with changing tables located in lobby.
- Nursery for toddlers 2 years and younger accompanied by adult guardian.
- We invite children (*ages 3 to 4th grade*) to take part in our “**Children in Church**” program. Worship is a family affair, something that children best learn from their parents. So, for the beginning and end of the service, we encourage parents to guide their children through the service. At the indicated time, children can come forward to hear a special children's message at the feet of the pastor. If parents wish, the children can then sit in the area set up for them at the front-right section of the worship hall, where they will find age-appropriate and spiritually focused activities to work on during the regular sermon. At the time of the offering, children return to sit with their parents. Let's work together to bring up the next generation in the Word of the Lord!

Special needs:

- Large print bulletin available from usher
- Seats with armrests available



Worship focus

In the Gospel lesson today, Jesus appears as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. This Lamb would take away the sins of the world and bring both Israel and the Gentile nations into the kingdom of God. The hearts that see this Savior in faith cannot help but take news of this salvation to the ends of the earth.

In the sermon text, we learn how we have life through Christ, the perfect Lamb, who led the perfect life and was sacrificed for our sins. Because of him, eternal life is ours.

Service of Word & Sacrament

 **OPENING HYMN** God Loved the World so that He Gave (CW391) 4 V/s.

God loved the world so that he gave His only Son the lost to save
That all who would in him believe Should everlasting life receive.

Christ is the solid rock of faith, Who was made flesh and suffered death.
All who confide in him alone Are built on this chief cornerstone.

God would not have the sinner die-- His Son with saving grace is nigh.
His Spirit in the Word does teach How we the blessed goal may reach.

Be of good cheer, for God's own Son Forgives the sins that you have done.
You're justified by Jesus' blood; Baptized, you are a child of God.

GREETING *(Spoken Responsively)*

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS AND ABSOLUTION *(Spoken Responsively)*

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts.
Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE *(Spoken/ Sung Responsively)*

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy,
hear our prayer, O Lord:

C: Lord have mercy.

M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ have mercy.

M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord:

C: Lord have mercy.

M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care.

C: Amen.

M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

C: *(Congregation Sings)*

O Lord, our Lord, how glorious is your name in all the earth.

Almighty God, merciful Father, you crown our life with your love.

You take away our sin; you comfort our spirit;

you make us pure and holy in your sight.

You did not spare your only Son, but gave him up for us all.

O Lord our Lord, how glorious is your name in all the earth.

O Son of God, eternal Word of the Father, you came to live with us,

you made your Father known; you washed us from our sins in your own blood.

You are the King of glory; you are the Lord!

O Lord, our Lord, how glorious is your name in all the earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(Prayed by Minister)

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 49:1-6

Listen to me, you islands; hear this, you distant nations: Before I was born the LORD called me; from my mother's womb he has spoken my name. ²He made my mouth like a sharpened sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me into a polished arrow and concealed me in his quiver. ³He said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will display my splendor." ⁴But I said, "I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing at all. Yet what is due me is in the LORD's hand, and my reward is with my God." ⁵And now the LORD says—he who formed me in the womb to be his servant to bring Jacob back to him and gather Israel to himself, for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD and my God has been my strength— ⁶he says: "It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

(All children are invited to sit in front with Pastor)

VERSE OF THE DAY

(Spoken by Minister; Sung Response by Congregation)

M: Alleluia. He said to me, "You are my servant in whom I will display my splendor." Alleluia.
(Isaiah 49:3)

(Sung by Congregation)

**C: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe
 that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

GOSPEL LESSON

John 1:29-41

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is the one I meant when I said, 'A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.' ³¹I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel." ³²Then John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. ³³And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' ³⁴I have seen and I testify that this is God's Chosen One." ³⁵The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. ³⁶When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God!" ³⁷When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. ³⁸Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?" ³⁹"Come," he replied, "and you will see." So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon. ⁴⁰Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. ⁴¹The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ).



SERMON HYMN

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing (CW340—Melody 491) 5 V's.

**Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise,
 The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of his grace!**

**The name of Jesus calms our fears And bids our sorrows cease.
 'Tis music in the sinners ears; 'Tis life and health and peace.**

**He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin; He sets the pris'ner free.
 His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood avails for me.**

**See all your sins on Jesus laid; The Lamb of God was slain.
 His life was once an off'ring made That you might live again.**

**Glory to God and praise and love Be ever, ever giv'n
By saints below and saints above, The Church in earth and heav'n.**

SERMON

God's Glory, Your Story: You have life to the full

Colossians 2:6-15

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷ rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. ⁸ See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ. ⁹ For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, ¹⁰ and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. ¹¹ In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ, ¹² having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³ When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, ¹⁴ having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

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THE NICENE CREED

(Read in Unison)

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Refrain:

He is born, the child divine; Play the oboe, sound the bagpipes,

He is born, the child divine; Sing, ye all, he born today.

Prophets from the ages past have foretold the Savior's coming;

We for more than four thousand years have awaited this joyous time. [Refrain]

Ah, how fair is the holy child, and how perfect are his graces;

Ah, how fair is the holy child; Oh, how sweet is the child divine. [Refrain]

In a manger was he born; Straw, a little for his cradle.

In a manger was he born; What a lodging for Christ the Lord! [Refrain]

King of all forevermore, Little infant though thou art.

King of all for evermore, Reign in ev'ry human heart. [Refrain]

THE OFFERING *and* OFFERING PRAYER

(Prayed by Minister)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Spoken by Minister)

LORD'S PRAYER

(Spoken by Congregation)

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

GREETING

(Spoken Responsively)

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He made his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

(Sung by Congregation)

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of your glory.

You are my God, and I will exalt you.

I will give you thanks, for you have become my salvation.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of your glory.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(Spoken by Minister)

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread: and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

(Sung by Congregation)

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace.

Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF SACRAMENT

(Please refer to "Worship Welcome" in chair pocket)

*We follow the Scriptural practice of **CLOSE COMMUNION**. If you have not communed here prior to today, you should speak with our pastor before the service. We would like to help you establish the unity which comes from a common confession of faith (1 Corinthians 10:17) before expressing that union together at the Lord's Table. It is not our intent to judge hearts, but to remain faithful to the truth of God's Word. Those who have established that connection as members of sister WELS or ELS congregations may register at the podium at the sanctuary entrance.. Thank you for honoring our practice.*



DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Jesus Sinners Does Receive (CW304)

Jesus sinners does receive; Oh, may all this saying ponder

Who in sin's delusions live And from God and heaven wander.

Here is hope for all who grieve-- Jesus sinners does receive.

We deserve but grief and shame, Yet his words, rich grace revealing,

Pardon, peace, and life proclaim; Here their ills have perfect healing

Who with humble hearts believe-- Jesus sinners does receive.

Sheep that from the fold did stray Are not by the Lord forsaken;
Weary souls who lost their way Are by Christ, the shepherd, taken
In his arms that they may live-- Jesus sinners does receive.

Come, O sinners, one and all, Come, accept his invitation.
Come, obey his gracious call; Come and take his free salvation!
Firmly in these words believe-- Jesus sinners does receive.

I, a sinner, come to you With a penitent confession.
Savior, show me mercy, too; Grant for all my sins remission.
Let these words my soul relieve-- Jesus sinners does receive.

Oh, how blest is it to know, Were as scarlet my transgression,
It shall be as white as snow By your blood and bitter passion,
For these words I do believe-- Jesus sinners does receive.

Jesus sinners does receive. Even I have been forgiven.
And when I this earth must leave, I shall find an open heaven.
Dying, still to him I cleave-- Jesus sinners does receive.

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

(Sung by Congregation)

Thank the Lord and sing his praise, Tell ev'ryone what he has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name.
He renews his promises and leads his people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia! Alleluia!

CLOSING PRAYER

(Spoken by Minister)

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

(Spoken by Minister)

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice?
Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price!
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me his own!
The Lamb is reigning on his throne.

The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.
The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n his praise to sing.
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me his own!
The Lamb is reigning on his throne.

The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill
So still, his will, On our behalf the law to fill.
Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me his own!
The Lamb is reigning on his throne.

PERSONAL PRAYERS FOR COMMUNION

Before Communing

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

After Communing

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

**** February 2nd, Jomax Campus will have Rich Kogler as a guest preacher and he will also be presenting a seminar on planning your estate. Please see the added insert for more details.

****January 27th, 2020 at 7:00pm we are having a planning meeting for VBS. If you are interested in helping please plan to make this meeting.

****We have a special opportunity to hear some great Christian music in a few weeks. **Branches Band** will be coming to visit. They will come to lead our worship in chapel on Wednesday, February 5th, and will also be playing for worship the following Sunday, February 9th (9:00am). The children from PreK-8 will join with them to sing some songs. Also, on Saturday, February 8th, they will perform a concert at our Jomax campus during our normal Saturday evening worship (6:00pm). All are invited to any of these events! You can see more information about Branches Band and sample their music by going to their [website](#).

****Update: Vistancia will be having one more potluck and planning meeting February 9th that will be held at Vistancia's Mountain Vista Club. Pastor Ehlers has passed out info that will be discussed at this meeting. If you are interested and did not receive the information packet, please contact Pastor Ehlers. Please note that all are invited to this meeting, not just Vistancia regulars. We're one congregation and value everyone's input on the direction of our shared ministry!

****There is a call meeting after church today at 11:30 so members at both locations can be a part of the future of our school.

****There will be a sign-up sheet at Vistancia and Jomax for worship volunteers for February and March at Vistancia. Areas include refreshments, trailer hauling, set-up, sound management and playing piano. If you are interested in serving, please sign up or contact Liz for available dates.

****Meditations for Prison Ministry--Please put your used Meditations in the box in the entry way. Meditations are sent to the WELS Prison Ministry quarterly and then distributed to prisoners. Questions? Contact Lynn Wempner

****Please join the COG Golden Agers for brunch and fellowship on Thursday, February, 6th, 2019. They will be meeting at The Five and Diner Delux, 11340 W Bell Road, #125, Surprise, AZ. Please RSVP to Judy Sasse, email or phone, sasseja43@aol.com or 602-618-6967.

**** If you desire a church directory contact Liz at cog.secretary@crossofglory.org and she will put one in your box.

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THIS WEEK AT CROSS OF GLORY

January 20th	No School –MLK Day
January 21st 9:30am	Women's Bible Study
January 22nd 9:00am	Mom's Growth Group w/ Ally Kelley
January 22nd 4:00pm	B-team Basketball
January 22nd 6:30pm	Growth Group w/Pastor Ehlers
January 22nd 6:30pm	Growth Group w/Tim Grams
January 22nd 7:00pm	Choir Practice
January 25th 7:50am	Growth Group w/Pastor Freeman
January 25th 6:00pm	Worship Service
January 26th 9:00am	Worship Service
January 26th 9:30am	Worship Service
January 26th 10:30am	Bible Study
January 26th 10:30am	Sunday School
January 26th 11:30am	Quarterly Voters Meeting

LOOKING AHEAD

January 27th 7:00pm	VBS Planning Meeting
January 28st 9:30am	Women's Bible Study
January 28th 6:30pm	Board of Ed
January 29nd 9:00am	Mornings With Mommy
January 29nd 3:30pm	B-team Basketball
January 29nd 4:30pm	B-team Basketball
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February 1st 7:50am	Growth Group w/Pastor Freeman
February 1st 6:00pm	Worship Service w/ Communion at (Jomax)
February 2nd 9:00am	Worship Service w/ Communion at (Jomax)
February 2nd 9:30am	Worship Service w/ Communion at (Vistancia)
February 2nd 10:30am	Bible Study
February 2nd 10:30am	Sunday School

Jomax			
Jomax Worship Volunteers	January 19th	January 26th	February 2nd
Refreshments	Paula Considine	Stacy Cornell/ Linda Stern	Sharon Wilson/ Christina Marcell
Greeters	-	-	Sharon Wilson
Counters	Wempner/Cornell	Wempner/Voigt	Sasse/Cannon
Church Cleaners	Patterson	Martins/Ehlers	Koutia/Kugler
Communion Set-Up	Wempner	-	Cornell
Ushers	Gary Jeffers/ Grants Stern/ John Wempner/ Kelly Simpson	Adam Beilke/ Payton Beilke/ Owen Beilke Zach Plitzuweit/ Tanner Plitzuweit	Verl Naber/ Don Bollmeier/ Brad Hotz/ Larry Kennedy

If you can volunteer with any of the committees, please contact the church secretary at cog.Secretary@crossofglory.org!

Vistancia			
Vistancia Worship Volunteers	January 19th	January 26th	February 2nd
Snacks	Maxine Freeman	Nicole Brown	-
Trailer Hauling	Ed Taylor	Nate Brown	-
Set up	Maxine Freeman	Mike Mundstock	-
Sound Management	-	Mike Mundstock	-
Piano Playing	-	Cathy Mundstock	-
Ushers	Adam Beilke/ Payton Beilke/ Owen Beilke/ Zach Plitzuweit/ Tanner Plitzuweit	Gary Jeffers/ Grants Stern/ John Wempner/ Kelly Simpson	Adam Beilke/ Payton Beilke/ Owen Beilke Zach Plitzuweit/ Tanner Plitzuweit

ONE CHURCH....TWO LOCATIONS

JOMAX CAMPUS - NEWS

International Taste of America
January 16th-21st

Call Meeting
January 19th, 11:30 (at Jomax)

Quarterly Voter Meeting
January 26th, 11:30 (at Jomax)

VBS Planning Meeting
January 27th, 7:00pm (at Jomax)

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Sunday, February 9th, 11:15
am (Mountain Vista Club)

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Vista Club)

Growth Groups

Pastor Ehlers-Timely Topics,
Timeless Truths
Wednesdays at 6:30 pm
Michael Wenniger's House

The God who made me
Intelligent Design
Global Warming
Gender Identity

The God who saves me
Santa Claus
Secret Baptism
Close Communion

The world around me
Duel Citizenship
Broke to Bankrupt

Sunday Morning Bible Class-Timely
Topics, Timeless Truths
Sunday at 10:30 Jomax Campus

What is a Christian to think?
Jan. 12th- Visiting Heaven
Jan. 19th- Haunted Houses

What's a Christian to Say?
Jan. 26th- Overweight or Over-fit?
Feb. 9th- They Posted WHAT?
Feb 16th- I'm Spiritual, Not Religious

What's a Christian to Do?
Feb. 23- Tattoos--Still Taboo?
Mar. 1st-They've Done WHAT?!
Mar. 8th- A Christian's Use Of Psychoac-
tive Medication.

Tim Grams - The Book Galatians
Wednesdays at 6:30 pm
1.15.20 – 2.19.20
Grams' House

Women's Bible Study- God the
Ultimate Humanitarian
Tuesdays at 9:30 am
Karen Jurado's House

Mom's Group- Ally Kelley
Wednesday at 9:00 am
Ally Kelley's House

Pastor Freeman- People of the Bible
Saturdays 7:50 am
Jomax Campus

COG Golden Agers

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PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

For members and friends with noteworthy blessings, difficulties or health issues. Today we especially remember in our prayers and ask God to give strength, comfort and courage to them and their families.

Judy Sasse, as she undergoes radiation for cancer.

Glen Pedersen, the son-in-law of Don and Laurel Bollmeier, who was diagnosed with cancer.

Larry Kennedy, as he recovers from back surgery.

Faye Kennedy, as she recovers from recent health issues.

The Hall Family, as they deal with the passing of Grandmother, Wanda Dede.

Pat Powell, that God would grant her comfort after the loss of her husband.

Juanita Word, who is recovering after a broken leg.

Gerry Ehlers, the brother of Pastor Ehlers, diagnosed with stage 4 cancer and undergoes treatments.

April Johnson, keep her in your prayers as she recovers at home.

MILITARY

E4 Specialist Alice Henderson, granddaughter of Larry and Faye Kennedy, at San Antonio, TX Ft. Sam Houston Army base in Medical Institute of Surgery Research: Burn Unit.

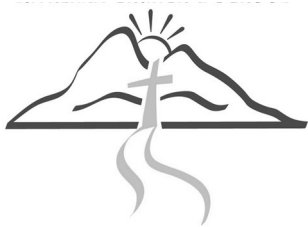
E6 Specialist Staff Sgt. Austin Seignious, grandson-to-be of Larry and Faye Kennedy, at El Paso, TX Ft. Bliss Army Base.

Major JD Larson, son of John & Chi Larson, based at Kirkland AFB in New Mexico.

Sara (Dan) McArdle, daughter of Martha (Scott) Wofford, Air Force Pilot, based in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Sgt. Blake Andrew Nelsen, son of Rick & Karyn Nelsen and brother of Seri & Lilli, USMC.

Ben Weyer, serving in the military, Currently deployed to the Persian Gulf. Please pray that our Heavenly Father keeps him safe in his journey.



Cross of Glory was planted by the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) in March 1998 so that with the Gospel of Jesus she can strengthen the faith of her members and reach out into the community with the free gift of salvation. First worship services began at Easter 1999; the dedication of our Ministry Center at Easter, 2005. On Easter of 2017, we began services at our second site in the Vistancia community. Our synod's name reflects that her founders began in the state of Wisconsin. As a WELS church we still hold to the teachings of the Bible restored in the Reformation era. We are...

- a Christ-preaching church. We preach that Jesus is true God, the Son of God who became man, so that through his perfect life and innocent death, He is the prophesied "Lamb of God" who has taken away the sin of the world.
- a Bible-believing church. We teach that the Bible is the verbally inspired, inerrant Word of God, the only authority for Christian faith and life. We aim to teach God's Word in all its truth and simplicity.
- an evangelical church. We trust the Bible's claim that God saves people through the power of the Gospel in the Word and Sacraments. The Gospel is the Good News (the Evangel) about Jesus' saving work. The WELS has congregations throughout the USA and around the world to share the Evangel, the Bible's primary message, with all people.
- a people-caring church. That we're all sinners equally saved by Jesus' substitutionary work strips away human judgments and egos. This truth also empowers us to live Jesus' love for all people by offering friendship, support, and Biblical counseling. Our church family cares about other people-- including you.