

The festival of the
Transfiguration of our Lord
Sunday, February 23, 2020

Cross of Glory Lutheran Church & School

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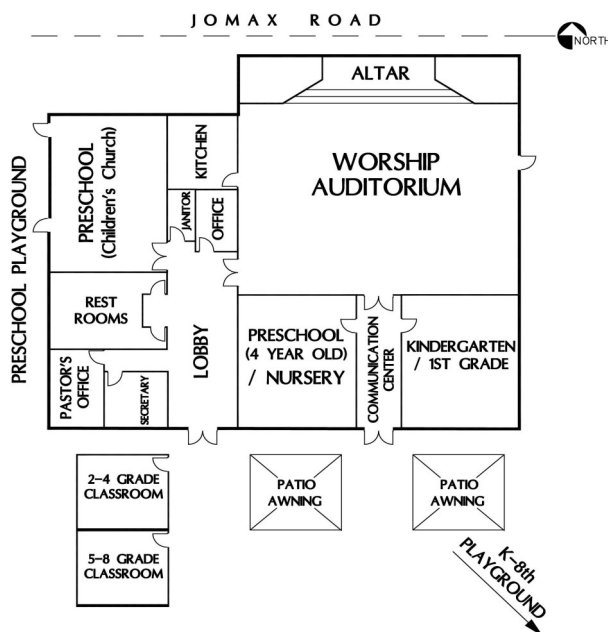
Jomax Campus
10111 W Jomax Road,
Peoria, AZ 85383
Sat. 6pm and Sun. 9am Worship

Vistancia Campus
Lake Pleasant Elementary School
31501 N. Westland Road
Peoria, AZ 85383
Sun. 9:30am Worship

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



The Festival of the Transfiguration of Our Lord is the third and last of the great festivals observed during the Epiphany season. On the mountain Jesus prepared his followers for the long and dreadful journey to the cross. The season of showing his glory to those he has called is coming to a close. We stand at the threshold of the season of his ultimate humiliation. But before we go down to the valley of the shadow of death, he gives us a glimpse of the glory which he hid so carefully even while he was revealing it.

Following the blessing at the end of the service, we will observe the rite for “**Farewell to Alleluia**”. With this rite we symbolically omit the alleluias for the season of Lent as we too prepare for the solemn journey to our Savior's Cross. While the joy of faith remains undiminished throughout the year, our rejoicing during Lent is muted and quiet. For centuries, therefore, the Christian Church has omitted its most jubilant songs during this season, including the song Alleluia, which means, ‘Praise the Lord.’ Now for a time we shall say farewell to Alleluia. With this we prepare ourselves for the quieter days of Lent.”

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CALL TO WORSHIP

(Spoken/Sung Responsively - CW224 "God Himself is Present")

M: In **the** name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Sung by Congregation:

God himself is present -- Let us now adore him
And with awe appear before him. God is in his temple --
All within keep silence, Humbly kneel in deepest rev'ence.
He alone On his throne Is our God and Savior; Praise his name forever!

M: As He was praying, the appearance of His face changed, and His clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. *(Luke 9:29)*

C: Lord, it is good for us to be here! *(Matthew 17:4)*

M: This is My Son, whom I love; with Him I am well pleased. Listen to Him. *(Matt.17:5)*

C: We have seen His glory, the glory of the one and only Son who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. *(John 1:14)*

Sung by Congregation:

God himself is present -- Hear the harps resounding;
See the hosts the throne surrounding. "Holy, holy, holy" --
Hear the hymn ascending, Songs of saints and angels blending.
Bow your ear To us here: Hear, O Christ, the praises
That your Church now raises.

M: And we have the word of the prophets made more certain—like a light shining in a dark place. *(I Peter 1:10)* On this day of celebrating the Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus—as a testimony to His divine approval of all He said and did, and as a reminder of the glorious transfiguration of our own bodies on the Last Day when we trust in His redeeming work—we worship in the name of The Father, who spoke His approval and love of His Son on the Mount, The Son, whose radiance showed His heavenly glory, and The Holy Spirit, whose inspiration of Scripture verifies the divine testimony of Jesus.

C: Amen.

Sung by Congregation:

Fount of ev'ry blessing, Purify my spirit, Trusting only in your merit.
Like the holy angels, Worshiping before you, May I ceaselessly adore you.
Let your will Ever still Rule your church terrestrial As the hosts celestial.

C: In hopelessness and near despair, I cry to You, my Savior!

My guilt is more than I can bear. I have not earned Your favor.

You know me as I really am! – how much is truth, how much is sham.

Why should You heed my pleading?

I see my heart's condition now—my heart's diverse affections.

Why do I love the things You loathe? I'm torn in two directions!

Now “prodigal,” now “Pharisee.” O God be merciful to me;

Who else but You can help me?

I tremble as I feel Your hand, expecting retribution

Yet hear no curse or reprimand, but grace and absolution!

With You there is forgiveness, Lord! You speak the sweet consoling Word,

And I am sure You love me!

M: Forgiven, free of guilt and shame, Lord, grant us time to render a gift to glorify Your name; love to reflect Your splendor. This world must know what we have learned, that You bestow what none has earned: The joy of full forgiveness. Be of good cheer. Your Deliverer has carried your sin to the cross. In the place of our Savior as a called and ordained servant, I proclaim to you the assurance of the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Live, now, in true repentance and put away that which counters your Deliverer's good and saving ways for you so that you may richly enjoy His blessing.

C: Amen.

In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord our King:



HYMN OF PRAISE

Let the Earth Resound 3 Vs.

Let the earth resound with songs of praise To the Father's power and love;

For the One who set each star in place Chose to set His heart on us.

To the One whose might gives victory, Yet whose mercies never cease;

As the tapestry of history Tells the story of His grace.

Refrain:

King immortal, Faithful God Crowned with splendor, rich in love.

Let the heavens and the earth resound With songs of praise to You.

Let the earth be stilled before the sight Of a Father's sacrifice -

That revealed the depths of love divine In the face of Jesus Christ.

Through a life of full obedience And a death in agony,

He removed the rebel's punishment And He set the prisoner free [*Refrain*]

**Let the earth resound with songs of faith At the wonder yet to come,
When all sin and pain are put to death And the church and Christ are one.
When we stand as God's great family And we meet the Father's gaze,
And we share in His eternal joy As we join in ceaseless praise." [Refrain]**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(Spoken by Minister)

M: Lord God, before the suffering and death of your one and only Son, you revealed his glory on the holy mountain. Grant that we who bear his cross on earth may behold by faith the light of his heavenly glory and so be changed into his likeness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 24:12, 15-18

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and stay here, and I will give you the tablets of stone with the law and commandments I have written for their instruction." When Moses went up on the mountain, the cloud covered it, and the glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai. For six days the cloud covered the mountain, and on the seventh day the LORD called to Moses from within the cloud. To the Israelites the glory of the LORD looked like a consuming fire on top of the mountain. Then Moses entered the cloud as he went on up the mountain. And he stayed on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

CHOIR

Vision Prayer

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

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

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 17:1-9

After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus. Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. But Jesus came and touched them. "Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid." When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus instructed them, "Don't tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
Thou my best thought, in the day and the night;
Waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
Thou my whole armor and thou my true might;
Thou my soul's shelter and thou my strong tower.
Raise thou me heav'nward my great Pow'r of pow'r.

Riches I need not, nor man's empty praise;
Thou mine in-heritance now and al-ways;
Thou and thou only the first in my heart;
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

SERMON**God's Story, Your Glory: The Real Deal***2 Peter 1:16-21*

For we did not follow cleverly devised stories when we told you about the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in power, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. He received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain. We also have the prophetic message as something completely reliable, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation of things. For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

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THE 2nd Article OF THE APOSTLE'S CREED*(Spoken Responsively)*

M: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.

C: The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the

living and the dead.

M: *What does this mean?*

C: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord.

M: He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with his holy, precious blood and with his innocent suffering and death.

C: All this he did that I should be his own, and live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence and blessedness, just as he has risen from death and lives and rules eternally. This is most certainly true.



SONG OF THE SEASON

Jesus will Reign Wher'er the Sun 4 V's.

Jesus shall reign Wherever the sun does its successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.
Blessings abound where'er He reigns The prisoner leaps to lose his chains;
The weary find eternal rest and all the sons of want are blessed.

Refrain:

To our King be highest praise rising through eternal days.
Just and faithful he shall reign; Jesus shall reign!

People and realms of every tongue dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on His name. *[Refrain]*
Let every creature rise and bring blessing and honor to our King;
Angels descend with songs again and earth repeats the loud amen! *[Refrain]*

THE OFFERING AND OFFERING PRAYER

CHURCH OFFICER INSTALLATION

PRAYER OF CHURCH

(Spoken Responsively)

M: Glorious Father, on the Mount of Transfiguration you spoke from the cloud, calling us to listen to your Son. Open our ears to hear his Word and give us faith to believe it. Preserve us in your Church, built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets.

C: We have the word of the prophets made more certain and do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place.

M: Morning Star, you rise in our hearts through Word and sacrament. Keep your Church constant in the means of grace and faithful in its confession, so that we never forsake you. Empower our ministers of the Word and through their teaching supply what is lacking in our faith.

C: For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

M: Radiance of God’s Glory, you made Peter, James, and John eyewitnesses of your majesty. Equip us to boldly proclaim your salvation to those in darkness. Use our schools to nurture children into a great cloud of witnesses who cannot help but speak about what they have seen and heard.

C: We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

M: Lamb of God, it is good for us to be here before your altar. You once revealed your glory through shining face and bright clothing; reveal it now in bread and wine. Give us repentant and believing hearts to taste and see that you are good.

C: Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!

M: Author of Life, the appearance of Moses and Elijah reminds us that you are not the God of the dead but of the living. Comfort those who grieve for loved ones who have fallen asleep in Christ. Reassure them with the fact that you died to swallow up death and rose to give us eternal life.

C: Let us know the power of your resurrection, confident that you will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like your glorious body.

M: Suffering Savior, even at your transfiguration you focused on your departure at Jerusalem. As we prepare to watch you carry your cross, strengthen us to carry our crosses. When we suffer, help us focus on you alone so that the devil may not have a foothold, and we may not despair.

C: For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.

M: God of all grace, you have called us to your eternal glory in Christ. Make us strong, firm, and steadfast.

C: To you be the power forever and ever! Amen.

LORD’S PRAYER

(Spoken in Unison)

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.

CLOSING PRAYER

(Prayed by Minister)

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, 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.

FAREWELL TO ALLELUIA

(Spoken by Minister; Sung Response by Congregation (CW29))

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ, when we next gather for worship, it will be Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. On that day we will begin our solemn journey to the Savior's cross. While the joy of faith remains undiminished throughout the year, our rejoicing during Lent is muted and quiet. For centuries, therefore, Christian churches have omitted their most jubilant songs during this season, including the word alleluia, which means, "praise the Lord." Now for a time we say farewell to alleluia. We do this to prepare ourselves for the quieter days of Lent. The alleluias will return on Easter dawn as we gather to shout our praise to the risen Lord.

**Alleluia, song of triumph, sound of joy that cannot die;
Alleluia is the anthem ever dear to choirs on high;
Saints adorned in robes of glory join the great angelic cry.**

**Alleluia we are singing, voicing hymns in pure accord,
With Christ's holy Church united, justified, redeemed, restored,
And with all his faithful people raise our songs to praise the Lord.**

**Alleluia cannot always be our song while here below;
Alleluia our transgressions make us for a while forego.
For the solemn time is coming when our tears for sin must flow.**

**May our hymns be filled with longing—hear us, Holy Trinity—
As we look to your blest Easter, here, and then eternally,
When we shall once more be singing alleluia joyfully!**

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PRAISE & PROCLAIM MINISTRIES

THIS WEEK AT CROSS OF GLORY

February 25th 9:30am	Woman's Bible Study
February 25th 6:00pm	Dos Rios HOA
February 25th 6:30pm	Board of Ed
February 26th 9:00am	Mornings with Mommy
February 26th 6:00pm	Souper Super/Ash Wednesday
February 27th 6:30pm	Growth Group w/Pastor Ehlers
February 28th-29th	John Henderson Memorial Tournament
February 29th 7:50am	Growth Group w/Pastor Freeman
February 29th 6:00pm	Worship Service w/Communion (Jomax)
March 1st 9:00am	Worship Service w/Communion (Jomax)
March 1st 9:30am	Worship Service w/Communion (Vistancia)
March 1st 10:30am	Bible Study
March 1st 10:30am	Sunday School

LOOKING AHEAD

March 3rd 9:30am	Woman's Bible Study
March 3rd 6:00pm	Evangelism Meeting
March 3rd 7:00pm	Elders Meeting
March 4th 9:00am	Mom's Growth Group
March 4th 6:00pm	Souper Super/Lent Service/Choir
March 5th 9:30am	Golden Agers Brunch and Fellowship
March 5th 6:30pm	Growth Group w/Pastor Ehlers
March 7th 7:50am	Growth Group w/Pastor Freeman
March 7th 9:00am	Ladies Service Group Meeting
March 7th 6:00pm	Worship Service (Jomax)
March 8th 9:00am	Worship Service (Jomax)
March 8th 9:30am	Worship Service (Vistancia)
March 8th 10:30am	Bible Study
March 8th 10:30am	Sunday School

Jomax			
Jomax Worship Volunteers	February 23rd	March 1st	March 8th
Refreshments	Carolyn Hanes/ Margaret Walker/ Cristy Meringer	Rachel Plitzuweit/ Maria Kelley	Laurel Bollmeier/ Connie Sauer
Greeters	Kuglers	Sharon Wilson	Kennedy
Counters	Wempner/Voight	Sasse/Cannon	Sasse/Brooks
Church Cleaners	Moe/James	Plitzuweit/Alcoba/ Peterson	Ebel/ Meringer
Communion Set-Up	-	Lynn Wempner	-
Ushers	Bill Brooks/ Brian Ehinger/ Jake Ehinger/ Trey Ehinger/ Jon Yauck	Gary Jeffers/ Grant Stern/ John Wempner/ Kelly Simpson	Chris Patterson/ Cody Hall/ Caleb Patterson/ Isaac Patterson/ Titus Patterson

If you desire to be a Sunday Greeter Please contact Angela Hall by email at amwulf@gmail.com.

If you desire to help by cleaning the church contact Liz by email cog.secretary@crossofglory.org.

If you desire to bring weekly refreshments please contact Clara Naber at vcnaber@cox.net.

If you are interested in ushering please contact Verl Naber at vcnaber@cox.net.

Vistancia			
Vistancia Worship Volunteers	February 23rd	March 1st	March 8th
Snacks	Maxine Freeman	Nicole Brown	-
Trailer Hauling	Ed Taylor	Nate Brown	-
Set up	Maxine Freeman	-	-
Sound Management	-	-	-
Piano Playing	Cathy Mundstock	-	Cathy Mundstock
Ushers	Steve Julian/ Bill Grams/ John Kull/ Paul Pappenfuss	Bill Brooks/ Brian Ehinger/ Jake Ehinger/ Trey Ehinger/ Jon Yauck	Gary Jeffers/ Grant Stern/ John Wempner/ Kelly Simpson

ONE CHURCH....TWO LOCATIONS

JOMAX CAMPUS - NEWS

VISTANCIA CAMPUS - NEWS

Cross of Glory LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL



Youth Group Outing

Sunday, February 23rd, 1:00-4:00pm(TBD)

Mission Journey/Praise & Proclaim

March 14th-21st

Youth Group Outing

Sunday, February 23rd, 1:00-4:00pm(TBD)

Blackstone-Concert in the Park

Saturday, March 7th (Vistancia)

Mission Journey/Praise & Proclaim

March 14th-21st

Growth Groups

Pastor Ehlers-Timely Topics,

Timeless Truths

Thursdays at 6:30 pm
Michael Wenniger's House

The God who saves me

Santa Claus
Secret Baptism
Close Communion

The world around me

Broke to Bankrupt

Sunday Morning Bible Class-Timely

Topics, Timeless Truths

Sunday at 10:30 Jomax Campus

What's a Christian to Say?

Feb. 23- I'm Spiritual, Not Religious

What's a Christian to Do?

Mar. 1st-Tattoos--Still Taboo?
Mar. 8th-They've Done WHAT?!
Mar. 15th- A Christian's Use Of Psycho-
active Medication.

Tim Grams - The Book Galatians

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm
4.15.2020-5.6.2020
Grams' House

Women's Bible Study- God the Ultimate Humanitarian

Tuesdays at 9:30 am
Karen Jurado's House

Mom's Group- Ally Kelley-Romans

Wednesday at 9:00 am
Ally Kelley's House

Pastor Freeman- People of the Bi- ble

Saturdays 7:50 am
Jomax Campus

COG Golden Agers

Please join for brunch and fellowship on first Thursday of every month, at 9:30am. Held 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

****The Womens Service Group will be meeting March 7th at 9:00am to discuss the LWMS Spring Rally we are hosting.

****Thrivent T-Shirts are in the office. Please take what you want.

****We have a **Mission Journeys** group coming from Lakeside Lutheran and UW Madison March 14th-21st to help evangelize and help spruce up our grounds. We are looking to house 16 students and 3 chaperones. If you are able to house 1, 2 or more please let Pastor Ehlers know ASAP.

****The S.O.S Applications are ready to pick up in the office. **Applications are due by March 1st.** What is S.O.S?

1. Member families, who have children attending a WELS school (pre-school, elementary school, high school, or college), are invited to receive financial aid from Cross of Glory Lutheran Church, as determined by the "Sponsor Our Students Tuition Assistance" program. This program is administered under the direction of the Church Council and all information regarding this form will remain confidential.

2. The financial aid for this program comes from gifts, offerings or memorials specifically designated for the S.O.S. Tuition Assistance Fund, which is not funded as part of the church's annual budget.

****Thank you to all that have donated to ACSTO- Cross of Glory School thus far. We have 38 donors so far which is 8 more than this time last year at this time. **Our goal is to double our donors from last year and reach 200.** The 200 donors would eliminate the cost of tuition for every current student! You can help us get there!

**** On Sunday February 23rd, the youth group will be going to Uptown Ally from 1:00-4:00. All 5-12 graders are invited to participate. The cost is \$10 per person.

****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.

**** New Meditations are in the church entry.

****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, March 5th, 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.

Your Church Boards & Committees

Church Council: Tim Grams (president), Steve Julian (secretary), Harry Novak (Treasurer), John Kull (Financial Secretary), Gary Jeffers (Chairman of the Board of Elders), Fred Piepenbrink (Chairman of the Stewardship Committee)

Board of Elders: Gary Jeffers (Chairman), Gus Koutia, John Wempner, Leonard Freeman, Nick Nickolai, Dave Sauer

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Evangelism Committee: Pastor Ehlers (interim chairman), Pastor Freeman, Ed Taylor, Sandy Taylor, Rich Kugler, Linda Kugler, Dave Sauer, Becky Foxen, Shannon Starr

Stewardship Committee: Fred Piepenbrink

The pastors and president of the congregation are members of every board and committee.

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.

Pastor and Maxine Freeman, who are deliberating a call to Elkton, MI. Also dealing with the news that Pastor's brother has passed away and Maxine's sister-in-law suffered another stroke.

The Kugler Family, as they grieve the passing of Linda's mother, Lucille Manthe.

Sandy Taylor & Family, as they grieve the sudden lost of her brother.

Fran Fidel & Family, as she grieves the unexpected loss of her son.

Velta Larson, as she recovers from a recent fall.

Judy Sasse, as she undergoes radiation for cancer.

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

Juanita Word, who is recovering at home after a broken leg.

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

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

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.

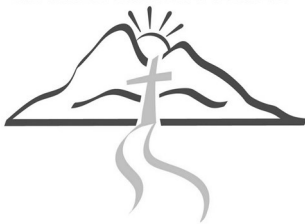
E6 Specialist Staff Sgt. Austin Seignious, grandson-to-be of Larry and Faye Kennedy, at El Paso, TX Ft. Bliss Army Base.

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.

Our Preschool & Elementary School exists to help parents in their God-given duty of teaching the Faith to their children: an important aspect of our Church's plan to grow a comprehensive womb-to tomb ministry that serves souls for eternity.

Saturday Worship at 6pm (Jomax)
Sunday Worship at 9am (Jomax) 930am (Vistancia)
Bible Study Session 10:30am (Jomax)