



Pentecost
Sunday, May 31, 2020
Full Script



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Jomax Campus
10111 W Jomax Road,
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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 Cross of Glory's online worship! God defines a church as people gathering around Word and Sacrament, and we recognize that this can happen via technology as well as in a physical building. Thank the Lord for blessing us with the means to continue worshipping together in this way! As you join us in this gathering, we pray that Jesus' peace and power fill you.

Please take the time to note some things about how worship will work online:

Attendance – We would still like to gather an accurate account of who is worshipping with us for each service. Please let us know you are worshipping by commenting in the chat box. List your full name (first and last) in your message.

Chatting and discussing – Before and after each service, there is time available to chat with others. We invite you to do so, as this is a way we can preserve the sense of community we have on a normal Sunday morning. We do ask that you keep chatting to a minimum during the service, so that others can focus on what's happening.

Giving – Please continue to give your attention to the gifts God asks you to give to support his work. During the time of the offering, an encouragement will be given to give electronically. You can do so by clicking the menu icon (3 horizontal bars) in the upper left corner, next to where it says Cross of Glory Lutheran Church. Then click the word "Giving" to go to our Vanco page. You can also give by scanning the QR code in the bulletin with your phone's camera, or by mailing a check to us at 10111 W Jomax Rd, Peoria, AZ 85383. Thank you for your continued support during this difficult time!



God bless our time together in worship today!

Worship focus

Today is the celebration of **Pentecost**. Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he said, "I will pour out my Spirit." Fifty days after Jesus arose on Easter, God sent the promised Counselor on the day we call "Pentecost".

This day marked the birthday of the New Testament Church and celebrates the harvest of souls won by the Son and gathered by his servants empowered by his Spirit. Pentecost is the third great festival of the Church and has been commemorated since at least 217 A.D. The Church dresses in red to remind us of the tongues of fire that marked the Spirit's gift and the blood of the martyrs which was the seed of the Church. This day culminates the Season of Easter when our risen Lord now empowers his people to be witnesses of the resurrection for the world.

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Service of the Word

GATHERING RITE FOR PENTECOST

(CW229)

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

C: Amen.

Congregation Sings:

**This day at your creating word First o'er the earth the light was poured:
O Lord, this day upon us shine And fill our souls with light divine.**

M: In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

C: The Spirit of God has made me; the breath of the Almighty gives me life.

M: Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?

C: If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

Congregation Sings:

**This day the Lord for sinners slain In might victorious rose again:
O Jesus, raise your people, too, From death of sin to life in you.**

M: The Lord said, "My Spirit will not contend with man forever."

C: O Lord, do not rebuke me in your anger or discipline me in your wrath.

M: Be merciful to me, Lord, for I am faint; O Lord, heal me, for my bones are in agony.

C: Turn, O Lord, and deliver me; save me because of your unfailing love.

Congregation Sings:

**This day the Holy Spirit came With fiery tongues of cloven flame:
O Spirit, fill our hearts this day With grace to hear and grace to pray.**

M: Jesus said to his disciples, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

**C: No one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit.
Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.**

M: The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor.

C: There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death.

Congregation Sings:

**This day of light and life and grace We gather in our worship-place:
This holy hour, blest gift of love, Give we again to God above.**

M: Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

C: Come, Holy Spirit! Fill the hearts of your faithful people, and kindle in us the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Congregation Sings:

**All praise to God the Father be, To Christ, who set his people free,
Whom with the Spirit we adore Forever and forevermore.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(Spoken by Minister)

M: Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gift of grace. Rekindle in our hearts the holy fire of your love that in a true and living faith we may tell abroad the glory of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Father, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. ⁵Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷Utterly amazed, they asked: “Aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹(both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!” ¹²Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much wine.” ¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: ¹⁷“In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. ¹⁸Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. ¹⁹I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. ²⁰The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. ²¹And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”



M: O Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mer-cy;

C: In your faithfulness and righteousness come to my re-lief.

M: Do not bring your servant into judg-ment,

C: For no one living is righteous be-fore you.

M: My spirit grows faint with-in me;

C: My heart within me is dis-mayed.

Refrain

M: Answer me quick-ly, O Lord,

C: Do not hide your face from me.

M: Let the morning bring me word of your un-fail-ing love,

C: For I have put my trust in you.

M: Teach me to do your will, for you are my God;

C: May your good Spirit lead me on lev-el ground.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son

And to the Holy Spi-rit,

As it was in the be-gin-ning,

Is now, and will be forever. A-men.

Refrain

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:3-11

Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. ⁵There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. ⁶There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. ⁷Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. ⁸To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of

healing by that one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.

VERSE OF THE DAY

(Spoken by Minister; Response sung by Congregation)

M: Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.

Sung by Congregation:

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

SERMON HYMN

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say *(CW338) 3 Vs.*

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, O weary one, lay down Your head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was, Weary and worn and sad;
I found in him a resting place, And he has made me glad.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
The living water, thirsty one; Stoop down and drink and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, And now I live in him.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light.
Look unto me; your morn shall rise And all your day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found In him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk Till trav'ling days are done.**

SERMON

Come and Drink!

John 7:37-39

On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. ³⁸ Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them." ³⁹ By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

(CD recordings of sermons freely supplied for study or sharing. Please request on the Friendship Card)

APOSTLES' CREED

(Spoken in Unison)

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
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. 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. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

 **SONG OF THE SEASON**

Gather Us In (CHS778) 4 Vs.

Here in this place new light is streaming, Now is the darkness vanished away,
See in this place our fears and our dreamings
Brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in the lost and forsaken, Gather us in the blind and the lame;
Call to us now, and we shall awaken, We shall arise at the sound of our name.
We are the young our lives are a myst'ry We are the old who yearn for your face,
We have been sung throughout all of hist'ry
Call to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in the rich and the haughty, Gather us in the proud and the strong;
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly, Give us the courage to enter the song.
Here we will take the wine and the water, Here we will take the bread of new birth,
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
Call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion, Give us to eat the bread that is you;
Nourish us well, And teach us to fashion
Lives that are holy and hearts that are true.
Not in the dark of buildings confining, Not in some heaven, light years away,
But here in this place the new light is shining, Now is the Kingdom, now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever, Gather us in and make us your own;
Gather us in all peoples together, Fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

THE OFFERING AND OFFERING PRAYER

(Spoken by Minister)

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THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Spoken by Minister)

THE 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.



CLOSING HYMN

Holy Spirit, the Dove Sent from Heaven *(CWS723) 3 Vs.*

**Holy Spirit, the dove sent from heaven, Ever one with the One who is Three,
From the Father You came, word of peace to proclaim,
Come and comfort us, speak tenderly, You, the fragrance of life we are seeking;
Fill Your temple, Your altar make clean.
Joyous shelter of love, Gracious friend from above,
In Your care we are resting, serene.**

**Holy Spirit, the fire celestial, Who on Pentecost came as foretold,
To descend from on high and the Church occupy
As the cloud filled the temple of old; All the baptized You seal with Your promise,
All believers Your gift they receive,
So that all the elect all in Christ may expect
To enjoy what by grace they believe.**

**Holy Spirit, the wind of great power, Source of strength and of peace and of love.
Truest Comforter, plead as you bring all our need
To the throne of God's glory above. Be the light that enlightens the Scriptures;
Keep our feet from each devilish snare;
Only you can make whole All that troubles our soul;
By your chrism, Christ triumph we share.**

GROWTH GROUPS

Vistancia Weekly Devotion

Sundays 6:00 pm via ZOOM

(if interested in joining contact Pastor Ehlers)

Thursday Evening Bible Study

Thursdays at 7:00 pm via ZOOM

Meeting ID: 474 775 761

Password: 007970.

Pastor Ehlers-Timely Topics, Timeless Truths

Wednesday 6:30pm via ZOOM

(Will resume after Easter)

Mom's Group- Ally Kelley

Every Wednesday at 2:00 pm Via Zoom

(Please contact Liz if you want to be added to this conference)

ONE CHURCH....TWO LOCATIONS

**JOMAX
CAMPUS - NEWS**

**VISTANCIA
CAMPUS - NEWS**

Mom's Bible Study (Via Zoom)

Wednesday June 3rd, 2:00pm

(Please let Liz know if you would like to attend)



Weekly Devotion (Via Zoom)

Sunday May 31st, 6:00pm

(Please Contact Pastor Ehlers if you are interested in attending)

Jomax Worship Volunteers	May 31st	June 7th	June 14th	June 21st
Counters	Wempner/Cornell			
Cleaners	Patterson	Plitzuweit/Alcoba Peterson	Moe/Kelley	Ebel/Koutia
Communion Set-up	Susie Cornell	Sharon Kull	Corinne Julian	Lynn Wempner
Ushers	Verl Naber Don Bollmeier Brad Hotz Larry Kennedy	Steve Julian Al Alcoba Rich Kugler Kelly Simpson	Steven Julian Bill Grams John Kull Paul Pappenfuss	Bill Brooks Brian Ehinger Jake Ehinger Trey Ehinger Jon Yauck

ANNOUNCEMENTS

****The links to view all the various reports and documents that were a part of our voters' meeting this past Sunday are in the Weekly News. If you desire a hard copy contact the church office. Please take the time to review them, especially the "Reopening Procedures" document, which has the information regarding how our return to in-person worship will begin this coming weekend.

The big decisions that came out of our meeting on Sunday are the following:

1. We passed our budget for the 20-21 fiscal year, amended to include a partial housing allowance for both teachers we called (\$7,000 per year for each).
2. We called Jim Wade to serve as principal in our school and staff minister for Vistancia. We issued a 1-year provisional call to Betsy Collins to teach our 1st and 2nd grades.

****"Used Meditations for the WELS Prison Ministry" When you pick up your next quarter Meditations, drop off your used copy from the last quarter. There is a box next to the new Meditations. The WELS Prison Ministry appreciates this donation and distributes Meditations to prisoners who are always anxious to receive them. Meditations have arrived, if you are interested in getting one please come Monday - Friday during office hours or contact Secretary for other arrangements. If needed she can mail it to you.

****We are adapting and have many ways to learn about our Savior. The Pastors will have Facebook on Tuesday and Thursday evenings for you to watch and share gives an opportunity to share God's message to others that we know as well.

****New to the website is a page of spiritual and educational [resources](#). Included are free Sunday School lessons for children.

**** Please check our web page the most up to date information regarding Cross of Glory and the coronavirus/COVID-19.

**** Go to crossofglory.online.church to view our online services at the normal service times throughout the coronavirus crisis. The Sunday service will be available at 9am on Sunday morning.

THIS WEEK AT CROSS OF GLORY

June 2nd 6:00pm	Evangelism Meeting
June 2nd 7:00pm	Elders Meeting
June 3rd 2:00pm	Mom's Bible Study (Via Zoom)
June 3rd 6:30pm	Growth Group Pastor Ehlers (Via Zoom)
June 4th 7:00pm	Bible Study– Pastor Foxen
June 6th 6:00pm	Worship Service at Jomax w/Communion
June 6th 6:00pm	Vistancia Facebook Live Service
June 7th 9:00am	Worship Service at Jomax w/Communion
June 7th 9:00am	Worship Service(Online)
June 7th 6:00pm	Devotion Pastor Ehlers (Via Zoom)

LOOKING AHEAD

June 9th 6:30pm	Terra Del Rio South HOA
June 9th 6:30pm	Church Council Meeting
June 10th 2:00pm	Mom's Bible Study (Via Zoom)
June 6:30 6:30pm	Growth Group Pastor Ehlers (Via Zoom)
June 11th 7:00pm	Bible Study– Pastor Foxen
June 13th 6:00pm	Worship Service at Jomax w/Communion
June 13th 6:00pm	Vistancia Facebook Live Service
June 14th 9:00am	Worship Service at Jomax w/Communion
June 14th 9:00am	Worship Service(Online)
June 14th 6:00pm	Devotion Pastor Ehlers (Via Zoom)

YOUTH SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

A SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITY - GOOD SHEPHERD BIBLE CAMP

You may be interested in this opportunity for your kids to have some fun in a Christian summer camp in July. The camp is run by WELS congregations in California. Here is a little info about the camp:

For over 40 years, Good Shepherd Bible Camp (GSBC), has been providing the perfect blend of outdoor adventure and Christian fellowship to kids from 4th to 10th grade. It's a full week (6 nights/days) of fun in the California mountains during July. You'll experience the chance to have fun with old friends and make plenty of new ones while you apply God's word to your life.

Spend the week growing in your faith, while you also play countless games, eat amazing food, swim, canoe, become the perfect archer, sing exuberantly around a campfire, play basketball/volleyball and anything else involving a ball, run around in the infamous "gaga" pit, build forts, unleash your creative side in some arts and crafts, and of course explore God's beautiful creation through a little hiking.

If you'd like to take part in the camp, here are things to do: 1) get dates (July 12-18) on your calendar to include it in your summer plans, whether as a camper or as staff, and 2) start setting aside the funds to save up for it! Visit the new website for more information and find out why so many love GSBC: www.goodshepherdbiblecamp.com.

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.

Mary Lou Cannon, as she recovers from a broken arm due to an accident.

Cathy Mundstock, Give thanks for a successful surgery and prayers for a swift recovery.

Elsie Koutia, as she prepares for her call to teach at Good Shepherd in Daytona, FL.

Linda Stern, as she undergoes treatment for breast 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.

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.