



**Do Not Let Fear Halt the Harvest!**

**Pentecost 6**  
***Sunday, July 12, 2020***  
**Full Script**



**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  
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***Sun. 9:30am Worship***

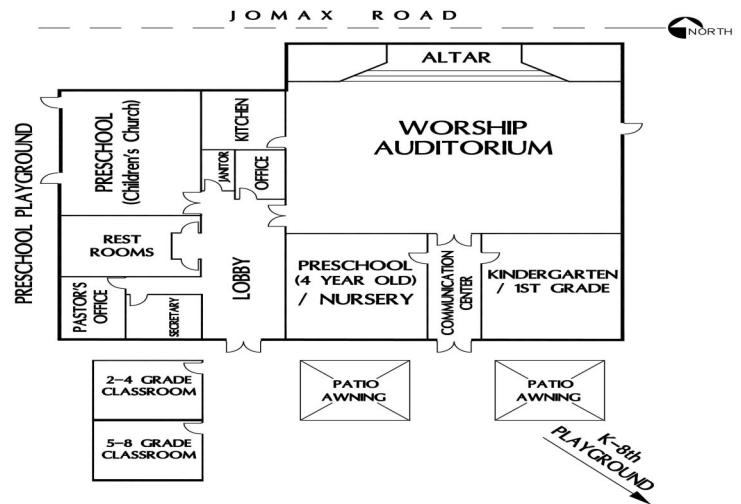
**Welcome to our Worship Center!** God defines a church as people gathering around Word and Sacrament. As you join us in this gathering, we pray that Jesus' peace and power will fill you.

### 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 hear a special children's message. 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



Evangelism can be scary! Sharing the good news of salvation with others can result in rejection and ridicule. In fact, a recent poll indicates that only 2% of Christians share their faith on a regular basis. Undoubtedly, in many instances fear takes over when the opportunity arises to witness. In our sermon text from Matthew 10 today, Jesus is very clear that sharing his Word with others will not always be a pleasant experience, but we cannot stop this important work of bringing the news of salvations to those in darkness. Jesus promises to be with us—in place of fear, find the courage of Christ to witness in the face of any persecution.

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## *Service of Scripture and Song*

### **GATHERING RITE ON HOLY BAPTISM**

*(God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It (CWS737))*

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

**C: Amen.**

*Sung by Congregation:*

**God's own child, I gladly say it: I am baptized into Christ!  
He, because I could not pay it, gave my full redemption price.  
Do I need earth's treasures many? I have one worth more than any  
That brought me salvation free lasting to eternity!**

M: I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit.

**C: Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.** *(John 3:5,6)*

M: Surely we were sinful at birth, sinful from the time our mothers conceived us. *(Psalm 51:5)*

**C: But we were washed, we were sanctified, we were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.** *(1 Corinthians 6:11)*

*Sung by Congregation:*

**Sin, disturb my soul no longer: I am baptized into Christ!  
I have comfort even stronger: Jesus' cleansing sacrifice.  
Should a guilty conscience seize me since my baptism did release me  
In a dear forgiving flood, Sprinkling me with Jesus' blood?**

M: As baptized children of God. We confess our sins.

**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.**

*Sung by Congregation:*

**Satan, hear this proclamation: I am baptized into Christ!  
Drop your ugly accusation; I am not so soon enticed.  
Now that to the font I've traveled, All your might has come unraveled,  
And, against your tyranny, God, my Lord unites with me!**

M: Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the Word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless *(Ephesians 5:25-27)*.

Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all our sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

*Sung by Congregation:*

**Death, you cannot end my gladness: I am baptized into Christ!**

**When I die, I leave all sadness to inherit paradise!**

**Though I lie in dust and ashes Faith's assurance brightly flashes:**

**Baptism has the strength divine to make life immortal mine.**

**There is nothing worth comparing to this lifelong comfort sure!**

**Open-eyed my grave is staring: Even there I'll sleep secure.**

**Though my flesh awaits its raising, Still my soul continues praising:**

**I am baptized into Christ; I'm a child of paradise!**

## CATECHISM REVIEW

## Ten Commandments Conclusion

M: What does God say about all these commandments? He says, "I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments."

*What does this mean?*

**C: God threatens to punish all who transgress these commandments. Therefore we should fear his anger and not disobey what he commands. But he promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore we should love and trust in him, and gladly obey what he commands.**

## FIRST LESSON

## *Jeremiah 20:7-13*

You deceived me, LORD, and I was deceived; you overpowered me and prevailed. I am ridiculed all day long; everyone mocks me. Whenever I speak, I cry out proclaiming violence and destruction. So the word of the LORD has brought me insult and reproach all day long. <sup>9</sup>But if I say, "I will not mention his word or speak anymore in his name," his word is in my heart like a fire, a fire shut up in my bones. I am weary of holding it in; indeed, I cannot. <sup>10</sup>I hear many whispering, "Terror on every side! Denounce him! Let's denounce him!" All my friends are waiting for me to slip saying, "Perhaps he will be deceived; then we will prevail over him and take our revenge on him." <sup>11</sup>But the LORD is with me like a mighty warrior; so my persecutors will stumble and not prevail. They will fail and be thoroughly disgraced; their dishonor will never be forgotten. <sup>12</sup>LORD Almighty, you who examine the righteous and probe the heart and mind, let me see your vengeance on them, for to you I have committed my cause. <sup>13</sup>Sing to the LORD! Give praise to the LORD! He rescues the life of the needy from the hands of the wicked.

**PSALM 91**

*(Spoken Responsively)*

*Sung Response—On Eagles' Wings CW440 Vs. 1&3)*

M: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High

**C: will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.**

M: I will say of the Lord

**C: "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."**

M: You will not fear the terror of the night,

**C: nor the arrow that flies by day.**

M: If you make the Most High your dwelling,

**C: then no harm will befall you, no disaster will come near your tent.**

M: For he will command his angels concerning you

**C: to guard you in all your ways;**

M: They will lift you up in their hands.

**C: So that you will not strike your foot against a stone.**

*Congregation Sings:*

**You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, Who abide in his shadow for life,  
Say to the Lord: "My refuge, My rock in whom I trust!"**

*Refrain:*

**And he will raise you up on eagles' wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn,  
Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of his hand.**

**For to his angels he's given a command To guard you in all of your ways;  
Upon their hands they will bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.**

*[Refrain]*

**THE CHILDREN'S SERMON**

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

**SECOND LESSON**

**2 Timothy 4:1-8**

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: <sup>2</sup>Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. <sup>3</sup>For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. <sup>4</sup>They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. <sup>5</sup>But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry. <sup>6</sup>For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near. <sup>7</sup>I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the

faith. <sup>8</sup>Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

 **SERMON HYMN**

**Lord of the Living Harvest** (*CW*559—*Melody*: *CW*557) 3 *Vs.*

**Lord of the living harvest That ripens o'er the plain,  
Where angels soon will gather Their sheaves of golden grain,  
Accept our hands to labor, Our hearts to trust and love,  
And be with us to hasten Your kingdom from above.**

**As lab'ers in your vineyard, Lord, give us work to do,  
Content to bear the burden Of weary days for you,  
To ask no other wages When you will call us home  
Than to have shared the labor That makes your kingdom come.**

**Be with us, God the Father; Be with us, God the Son  
And God the Holy Spirit, Most blessed Three in One.  
Make us your faithful servants You rightly to adore,  
And fill us with your blessing Both now and evermore.**

**SERMON**

**Do Not Let Fear Halt the Harvest!**

*Matthew 10:5a,21--33*

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions <sup>21</sup> “Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. <sup>22</sup> You will be hated by everyone because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup> When you are persecuted in one place, flee to another. Truly I tell you, you will not finish going through the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes. <sup>24</sup> “The student is not above the teacher, nor a servant above his master. <sup>25</sup> It is enough for students to be like their teachers, and servants like their masters. If the head of the house has been called Beelzebul, how much more the members of his household! <sup>26</sup> “So do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. <sup>27</sup> What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs. <sup>28</sup> Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup> Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father’s care. <sup>30</sup> And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup> So don’t be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup> “Whoever acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. <sup>33</sup> But whoever disowns me before others, I will disown before my Father in heaven.

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

## THE 1st Article OF THE APOSTLE'S CREED

*(Read Responsively)*

M: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

*What does this mean?*

**C: I believe that God created me and all that exists, and that he gave me my body and soul, eyes, ears and all my members, my mind and all my abilities.**

M: And I believe that God still preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, spouse and children, land, cattle, and all I own, and all I need to keep my body and life.

**C: God also preserves me by defending me against all danger, guarding and protecting me from all evil. All this God does only because he is my good and merciful Father in heaven, and not because I have earned or deserved it. For all this I ought to thank and praise, to serve and obey him. This is most certainly true.**

## SONG OF THE SEASON

**Hear the Call of the Kingdom 3 Vs.**

*Ensemble sings Vs. 1 & 2 and Congregation joins for Vs. 3*

*Hear the call of the kingdom, Lift your eyes to the King.*

*Let His song rise within you As a fragrant offering*

*Of how God, rich in mercy, Came in Christ to redeem*

*All who trust in His unfailing grace.*

*Hear the call of the Kingdom To be children of light,*

*With the mercy of heaven The humility of Christ;*

*Walking justly before him, Loving all that is right;*

*That the life of Christ may shine through us.*

**Refrain:**

**King of heaven, we will answer the call;**

**We will follow bringing hope to the world,**

**Filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim Salvation in Jesus' name.**

**Hear the call of the Kingdom To reach out to the lost;**

**With the Father's compassion In the wonder of the cross.**

**Bringing peace and forgiveness And a hope yet to come.**

**Let the nations put their trust in him. [Refrain x 2]**

## THE OFFERING AND OFFERING PRAYER

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *and* LORD'S PRAYER

**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.

## BLESSING AND RESPONSE

*(Response Sung by Congregation)*

M: We praise you, O God of heaven and earth, that you have so richly lavished us with your free love and unearned salvation, in Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord:

*Sung by Congregation:*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below.  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN

**Holy Spirit 3 V/s.**

**Holy Spirit, living Breath of God, Breathe new life into my willing soul.  
Bring the presence of the risen Lord To renew my heart and make me whole.  
Cause Your Word to come alive in me; Give me faith for what I cannot see;  
Give me passion for Your purity. Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.**

**Holy Spirit, come abide within; May Your joy be seen in all I do—  
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin In each thought and deed and attitude,  
Kindness to the greatest and the least, Gentleness that sows the path of peace.  
Turn my striving into works of grace. Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.**

**Holy Spirit, from creation's birth, Giving life to all that God has made,  
Show Your power once again on earth; Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.  
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise. Lead us on the road of sacrifice  
That in unity the face of Christ Will be clear for all the world to see.**

## 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.



## THIS WEEK AT CROSS OF GLORY

July 14th 6:30pm	Church Council
July 15th 2:00pm	Mom's Bible Study (Via Zoom)
July 18th 6:00pm	Worship Service at Jomax w/Communion
July 18th 6:00pm	Vistancia Facebook Live
July 19th 9:00am	Worship Service at Jomax w/Communion
July 19th 9:00am	Worship Service (Online)
July 19th 6:00pm	Devotion Pastor Ehlers (Via Zoom)

## LOOKING AHEAD

July 22nd 2:00pm	Mom's Bible Study (Via Zoom)
July 25th 6:00pm	Worship Service at Jomax w/Communion
July 25th 6:00pm	Vistancia Facebook Live
July 26th 9:00am	Worship Service at Jomax w/Communion
July 26th 9:00am	Worship Service (Online)
July 26th 6:00pm	Devotion Pastor Ehlers (Via Zoom)

## GROWTH GROUPS

### **Vistancia Weekly Devotion**

Sundays 6:00 pm via ZOOM

(if interested in joining contact Pastor Ehlers)

### **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)

## HELP NEEDED

This week on Tuesday we have cleaners coming to clean the grout and tile in the school. If anyone is able to remain after church to move furniture it would be appreciated.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*\*\*\*"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.

\*\*\*\*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.

\*\*\*\* We have several options for you to worship during these times. You may go to [crossofglory.online.church](http://crossofglory.online.church) to view our online services or worship in person (Jomax Campus) at the normal 9:00 am service time. You may also watch Saturday service live on Facebook Cross of Glory-Vistancia or in person (Jomax Campus) at 6:00pm. All of our Services can be found for later viewing on our website under the Message tab, either Facebook Site or YouTube.

## Vacation News

Pastor Foxen and his family will be on vacation beginning on June 28. They will return on July 12. He'll take the rest of his vacation the week of July 19-26.

## Call News

Pastor Ehlers would like to be included in your prayers as he has received a Divine Call to serve St. Paul's Lutheran Church in North Mankato, Minnesota. It is a call to be their senior pastor. They have 900 souls, a 130 child childcare, and they partner with another church to run a K-8 Lutheran Elementary School. A congregational meeting will be scheduled soon to discuss our ministry needs here at Cross of Glory.

# ONE CHURCH...TWO LOCATIONS

## JOMAX CAMPUS - NEWS

## VISTANCIA CAMPUS - NEWS

### Mom's Bible Study (Via Zoom)

Wednesday July 1st, 2:00pm  
(Please let Liz know if you would like to attend)



### Weekly Devotion (Via Zoom)

Sunday July 4th, 6:00pm  
(Please Contact Pastor Ehlers if you are interested in attending)

Jomax Worship Volunteers	July 12th	July 19th	July 26th	August 2nd
Counters	Wempner/Freeman	Wempner/Wilson	Wempner/Brooks	Wempner Schirripa
Cleaners	Martins/Ehlers	Patterson	Plitzuweit/Alcoba Peterson	Kelley/Moe
Communion Set-up	Lynn Wempner	Corinne Julian	Susie Cornell	Sharon Kull
Ushers	Cody Hall Larry Kennedy Zach Plitzuweit Tanner Plitzuweit	Steven Julian Al Alcoba Rich Kugler Kelly Simpson	Steven Julian Bill Grams John Kull Paul Pappenfuss	Bill Brooks Brian Ehinger Jake Ehinger Trey Ehinger

# 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.*

**Julian Family**, as they grieve the loss of Muriel Perkola.

**Mary Lou Cannon**, as she recovers from surgery on her wrist.

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

**Linda Stern**, as she undergoes treatments for breast 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.

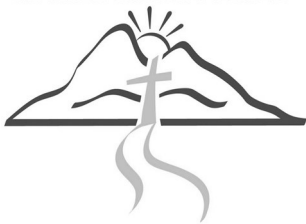
**E6 Specialist Staff Sgt. Austin Seignious**, grandson-to-be of Larry and Faye Kennedy, at El Paso, TX Ft. Bliss Army Base.

**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.

**Saturday Worship at 6pm (Jomax)**  
**Sunday Worship at 9am (Jomax) 1930am (Vistancia)**  
**Bible Study Session 10:30am (Jomax)**