



# Judgement Day!

*Are you a Sheep or a Goat?*

*Last Judgement*  
*Sunday, November 8, 2020*  
**Full Script**



## **Cross of Glory Lutheran Church & School**

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**Sat. 6pm and Sun. 9am Worship**

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**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 our focus is the Last Judgement. The Son of Man came once as a humble baby, but will return as a glorious king with angel armies at his side. He will sit on his throne, and all the nations will be brought before him to be judged. In this judgment, there are no shades of gray: you are either a sheep or a goat—there is no third option.

You will either be judged righteous and brought to heaven or condemned and sent into eternal fire. In our present world we see so many shades of gray, but at the judgment the contrast between believer and unbeliever will be stark. Jesus' judgment on unbelievers will be a just one, yet completely opposite of what he had wanted. Hell was never meant for humans; it had been prepared for the devil and his angels. When children of Adam are sent to hell on Judgment Day, they will enter a realm never meant for them. From the creation of the world, God had prepared an inheritance for the sons of Adam, a kingdom that becomes ours not by merit, but by grace. Both sheep and goats fail to see how their earthly lives could possibly merit their eternal fate. In fact, they speak the same words. The contrast, however, is stark: the sheep had faith in Christ that gave evidence of itself in the world; the goats had neither faith nor true fruits. Both receive an eternal judgment—life for the sheep and punishment for the goats. Lord, keep us mindful of your coming judgment that we might be found in faith, judged by your grace, and gifted with eternal life!

## Service of the Word

### OPENING HYMN

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending | CW29 3 Vs.

Lo, he comes with clouds descending, Once for ev'ry sinner slain.  
Thousand, thousand saints attending Swell the triumph of his train.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ reveals his endless reign.

Ev'ry eye shall now behold him Robed in glorious majesty;  
Those who ridiculed and sold him, Pierced and nailed him to the tree,  
Deeply wailing, Deeply wailing, Shall the true Messiah see.

Yea, Amen, let all adore you High on your eternal throne.  
Ev'ry knee shall bow before you; Come and take your people home!  
Alleluia, Alleluia! You shall reign and you alone!

### GREETING

*(Spoken Responsively)*

M: Grace and peace to you from God our Father, and his Son, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

### CONFESSION OF SINS

*(Spoken Responsively)*

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

### PRAYER AND PRAISE

*(Sung by Congregation)*

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

*Congregation Sings:*

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him.  
Your Word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens,  
your faithfulness continues forever. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.  
Blessed are they who take refuge in him.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

*(Spoken by Minister)*

M: Lord God Almighty, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to the end of this present evil age and to the day of your righteous judgment. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith and present us at last holy and blameless before you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## FIRST LESSON

*Daniel 7:9-10*

“As I looked, “thrones were set in place, and the Ancient of Days took his seat. His clothing was as white as snow; the hair of his head was white like wool. His throne was flaming with fire, and its wheels were all ablaze. <sup>10</sup> A river of fire was flowing, coming out from before him. Thousands upon thousands attended him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. The court was seated, and the books were opened.

## PSALM 90

*(Sung Responsively)*



M: Lord, you have been our dwell-ing place

**C: Throughout all gener-a-tions,**

M: Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world,

**C: From everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

M: For a thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by,

**C: Or like a watch in the night.**

### ***Refrain***

M: You have set our iniquities be-fore you;

**C: Our secret sins in the light of your pre-sence.**

M: You turn mortals back to dust.

**C: You sweep them away in the sleep of death.**

M: The length of our days is seventy years—or eighty, if we have the strength;

**C: Yet their span is but trouble and sor-row.**

M: Teach us to number our days aright,

**C: That we may gain a heart of wis-dom.**

### ***Refrain***

M: Satisfy us in the morning with your un-fail-ing love,  
C: That we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

**ALL:**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
And to the Holy Spir-it,  
As it was in the be-gin-ning,  
Is now, and will be forever. A-men.

*Refrain*

## THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

### SECOND LESSON

*1 Thessalonians 5:1-11*

Now, brothers and sisters, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, <sup>2</sup> for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup> While people are saying, "Peace and safety," destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. <sup>4</sup> But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief. <sup>5</sup> You are all children of the light and children of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness. <sup>6</sup> So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be awake and sober. <sup>7</sup> For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, get drunk at night. <sup>8</sup> But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith and love as a breast-plate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. <sup>9</sup> For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>10</sup> He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. <sup>11</sup> Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

### VERSE OF THE DAY

*(Spoken by Minister; Sung response by Congregation)*

M: Alleluia. Watch, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. Alleluia.  
*(Matthew 24:42)*

*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

**The King Will Come at Age's End | *CWS731 5 V.s.***

**The King will come at age's end, the trumpets trill, the heavens rend,  
Unveiling new Jerusalem, Alleluia!**

**The book of life will name its names, Each bought by cross's bitter pain,  
Each inked in blood and sealed in flame, Alleluia!**

**All glorious on his gleaming throne, the King will claim his saints,  
His own, and with them dwell and make a home, Alleluia!**

**And nights of tears, though late and long, will disappear in splendid dawn,  
And deeps of death will all be gone. Alleluia!**

**Amen, amen! Lord Jesus come! My Savior fair, come bear me home.  
For you are King of kings alone! Alleluia!**

**SERMON**

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*Matthew 25:31-46*

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup> All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup> He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. <sup>34</sup> “Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. <sup>35</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, <sup>36</sup> I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’ <sup>37</sup> “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? <sup>38</sup> When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? <sup>39</sup> When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’ <sup>40</sup> “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’ <sup>41</sup> “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. <sup>42</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, <sup>43</sup> I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.’ <sup>44</sup> “They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?’ <sup>45</sup> “He will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’ <sup>46</sup> “Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”

*(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.**

**Afflicted saint, to Christ draw near, Your Savior's gracious promise hear;  
His faithful Word you can believe: That as your days your strength shall be.  
Your faith is weak, your foes are strong, And if the conflict should be long,  
The Lord will make the tempter flee That as your days your strength shall be.**

*Refrain:*

**So, sing with joy, afflicted one; The battle's fierce, but the victory's won!  
God shall supply all that you need; Yes, as your days your strength shall be.**

**Should persecution rage and flame, Still trust in your Redeemer's name.  
In fiery trials you shall see That as your days your strength shall be. [Refrain]  
When called to bear your weighty cross Or sore affliction, pain, or loss,  
Or deep distress or poverty, Still as your days your strength shall be. [Refrain]**

**THE OFFERING AND OFFERING PRAYER**

*(Spoken by Minister)*

**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.**

Sing with all the saints in glory; Sing the resurrection song!  
 Death and sorrow, earth's dark story, To the former days belong.  
 All around the clouds are breaking. Soon the storms of time shall cease.  
 In God's likeness we awaken, Knowing everlasting peace.

Life eternal! Heav'n rejoices: Jesus lives who once was dead.  
 Shout with joy, O deathless voices! Child of God, lift up your head!  
 Life eternal! Oh, what wonders Crowd on faith, what joy unknown,  
 When amid earth's closing thunders, Saints shall stand before the 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.

Jomax Worship Volunteers	November 1st	November 8th	November 15th	November 22nd
Counters	Wempner/Wilson	Wempner/ Brooks	Wempner/Voigt	Wempner/Schirripa
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# Voters Meeting Report

Our quarterly voters' meeting was held this past Sunday. The various reports can be viewed below. The major issue brought before the congregation was a resolution from Church Council which asked for permission to pursue an increased mortgage in order to go ahead with the building project.

The proposed resolution would allow the president and treasurer to apply for an increased mortgage amount not to exceed \$900,000. The full details of this proposal in its exact wording can be read in the file below "Proposed Resolution for Permission for Increased Mortgage". The proposal would enable the congregation to construct a building with three new preschool-ready classrooms and a set of restrooms. It would also significantly improve on our landscaping and would install a green space in the back of the property for use by the congregation and school.

The reasons for wanting to pursue this project were shared at the meeting. Here are some things that were shared:

**1. Congregational benefits:** The church stands to gain quite a bit from this project. The sanctuary will be opened up when the 5-8 class has its own room. This means more ministry opportunities during the week for the church (mid-week Bible classes, funerals, events, etc.). The plan also includes significant improvements to our landscaping/curb appeal. This will greatly help first impressions with those who come onto our campus and would likely attract new people to us. Installation of a grassy field in the back of the property would also provide an area for outdoor fellowship activities/events. Last but not least, as the school serves as a primary ministry arm of the congregation, any benefit to the school is also a benefit to the church. As the school shares God's Word with more families and engenders a culture of caring for our community, people will become interested in the church as well. As the school grows, so too will the church.

**2. Space issues:** Enrollment is up in our grade school. To date, we have a net increase of 23 students. That increase is in spite of losing 13 students due to family moves or concerns about the coronavirus. Space continues to be an issue for the school. The 5-8 classroom is set up and taken down each week in the sanctuary. Letting each class have its own dedicated classroom space is a high priority for the school.

**3. Growth:** Since one of the main goals for having a school ministry is reaching out to as many as possible with the gospel of Jesus, we want to enable our school to grow and serve more people. Enrollment will likely stay flat or even decrease if we don't find ways to expand what we're offering to school families. One example: we are a multi-grade school, but it's hard for some families to get used to that. People are ok with having two grades together, but four in one room (grades 5-8) is tougher to sell, and we didn't succeed in enrolling a couple families this year because of this. The new building would allow us to have a 5-6 classroom and a 7-8 classroom. It would also allow us to have an additional preschool room as well.

**4. Peoria gave us a timeline:** Peoria's approval of our site plan will expire in August 2021. After that time, we will need to reapply to get approval, which may require reworking the plan so that it is in line with current guidelines. This would include extra cost.

**5. The financing plan is reasonable:** After crunching the numbers, our leadership has calculated a need of an additional \$900,000 in financing to achieve our goals. This additional borrowing would result in about \$50,000 a year in additional mortgage payments. Increased growth in the school and congregation will eventually be able to cover this increase. To give time for that growth, the building committee suggested seeking pledges in the amount of \$150,000 to cover the first three years of payments. *Important to note is that \$163,000 has already been raised from members of the building committee and a couple people outside that committee! Praise be to God!* In addition to this, a Go-FundMe would be launched to be a channel for school families, alumni, and people across WELS to give to the project if they would desire (some have expressed this desire).

We want all our members to know the ins and outs of this proposal. This is why we did not ask for a vote at the meeting. That vote will come on **November 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am**, after everyone has had some time to look through, think about, and pray about this proposal. If you have any questions or concerns please communicate them to us. A special email address has been created to receive whatever comments/questions you have. It is [buildingproposal@crossofglory.org](mailto:buildingproposal@crossofglory.org).

Thank you for your partnership in this ministry!

# THIS WEEK AT CROSS OF GLORY

November 9th 7:00pm	Kugler Growth Group– Ecclesiastes
November 10th 9:30am	Women’s Bible Study
November 10th 6:30pm	Church Council
November 10th 6:30pm	Grams Growth Group– The Story of Joseph
November 11th	Veterans Day
November 11th 10:00am	Mom’s Bible Study (Via Zoom)
November 14th 7:30am	Workday
November 14th 6:00pm	Worship Service at Jomax w/Communion
November 14th 6:00pm	Worship Service Facebook Live
November 15th 9:00am	Worship Service at Jomax w/Communion
November 15th 9:00am	Worship Service (Online)
November 15th 10:30am	Sunday Morning Bible Study The Book of Romans

# LOOKING AHEAD

November 16th 7:00pm	Kugler Growth Group– Ecclesiastes
November 17th 9:30am	Women’s Bible Study
November 17th 6:30pm	Grams Growth Group– The Story of Joseph
November 18th 10:00am	Mom’s Bible Study (Via Zoom)
November 19th	Picture Day Retakes
November 21st 6:00pm	Worship Service at Jomax w/Communion
November 21st 6:00pm	Worship Service Facebook Live
November 22nd 9:00am	Worship Service at Jomax w/Communion
November 22nd 9:00am	Worship Service (Online)
November 22nd 10:30am	Sunday Morning Bible Study The Book of Romans

# Growth Groups

<p><b><u>Sunday Morning Bible Study</u></b>                  Topic: The Book of Romans                  Sundays at 10:30am In Person or Zoom                  Join Zoom Meeting  <a href="https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74701697177?pwd=OFp0WHhjMVZBN3pzVEZEqm9zVWZtUT09">https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74701697177?pwd=OFp0WHhjMVZBN3pzVEZEqm9zVWZtUT09</a>                  Meeting ID: 747 0169 7177                  Passcode: 7t71C8</p>		
<p><b><u>Vistancia Weekly Devotion</u></b>                  Sundays at 7:00 pm via ZOOM                  (if interested in joining contact Pastor Ehlers)</p>	<p><b><u>New River Growth Group</u></b>                  Topic: Follow Me-Who Is Calling Us to Follow Him?                  Sept.28th, Oct. 12th &amp; 26th                  6:30-8:00pm</p>	<p><b><u>Mom's Growth Group- Ally Kelley</u></b>                  Wednesdays at 10:00am Via Zoom                  (Please contact Liz if you want to be added to this meeting)</p>
<p><b><u>Ecclesiastes- Kugler Group</u></b>                  Mondays at 7:00pm Via Zoom                  Starts 10/5/2020</p>	<p><b><u>Grams Growth Group-The Story of Joseph</u></b>                  Tuesdays at 6:30pm at Gram's House                  Starting 9/29 for 10 Weeks</p>	<p><b><u>Women's Bible Study</u></b>                  Tuesdays at 9:30am at Karen Jurado's House</p>

# Communion Update

## Communion Sunday Changes

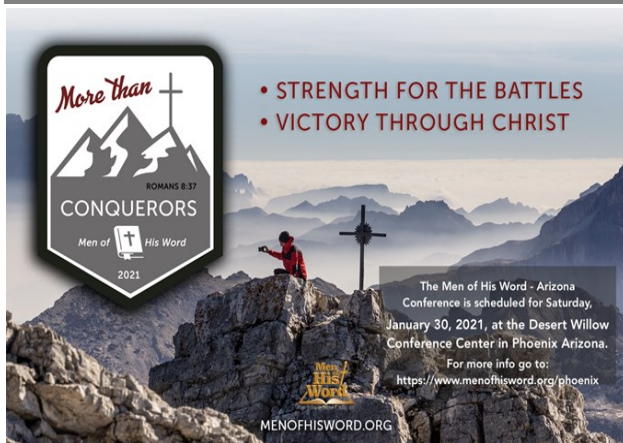
At their meeting on November 3, the Elders decided to return to having communion being served on only the first and third Sundays of each month. The service format will remain unchanged from the one being used now. That means communion will be served after the regular service. All COVID 19 safety measures now used will remain in place.

**This change will become effective on Sunday, November 22.** Therefore, if you now watch the service on TV and come to church on certain Sundays for communion make a note of this **change**.

## Live Nativity

We are planning a Live Nativity December 13th from 3-5pm and need volunteers to help. Please review the [Sign-up](#) in the weekly news or contact Liz if there is something you would like to help with. This is a great opportunity for Cross of Glory to interact with the community and school to share the message of the Savior.

## Men's Conference in Phoenix



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2021

- STRENGTH FOR THE BATTLES
- VICTORY THROUGH CHRIST

The Men of His Word - Arizona Conference is scheduled for Saturday, January 30, 2021, at the Desert Willow Conference Center in Phoenix Arizona.  
For more info go to:  
<https://www.menofhisword.org/phoenix>

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*Men of His Word* is a gathering of WELS pastors and lay leaders who have been holding yearly conferences in Minnesota and Wisconsin for over a decade. The group is now expanding to Arizona under the guidance of a local team of volunteers. The first conference for *Men of His Word- Arizona* will be held on **January 30, 2021 in Phoenix**. The conference is open to all men who would like to grow spiritually and be inspired by God's Word and fellowship with your fellow Christian brothers. For more information, visit [MenofHisWord.org/Phoenix/](https://www.menofhisword.org/Phoenix/) and click on the Early Bird Registration button. Registering will give you regular updates about the conference, but does not obligate you to attend.

## Meditations

**New meditations** have arrived and are located in the communications center. Please let Liz know if you would like one put in your mailbox.

## New Hearing Assistance System

The congregation has tested and purchased, with a special donation, a new hearing assistance system. The initial system came with receivers which will accommodate four users at a time. More receivers can be purchased when and if needed.

The system works for people with or without hearing aids. The equipment you will need is located by the mailboxes in the east (old) entry to the church.

If you would like to try to use the system, please make arrangements with John or Lynn Wempner to show you how to use it for the first time. Also, the system will broadcast directly into your hearing aids. If you wear hearing aids, and wish to use the system without having to remove your hearing aids, be sure:

The "Telecoil" program in your hearing aids has been installed (by your audiologist if not now installed) and You know how to activate that program

You can also use the system by listening with provided headphones or your own headphones.

# 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.*

**Marilyn Bagwell**, sister of Sharon Kull, was recently diagnosed with cancer. May the Holy Spirit continue working in her heart and protect and care for her and perhaps cure her if that is his will.

**Juanita Word**, who is recovering at home after a fall.

**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.

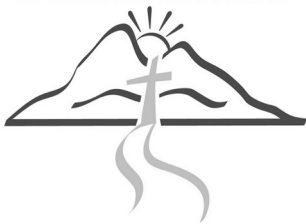
**Sara (Dan) McArdle**, daughter of Martha (Scott) Wofford, Air Force Pilot, based in Little Rock, Arkansas.

**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.

## **Worship Opportunities**

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.



**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.