

# Cross of Glory

Lutheran Church & School



**Pentecost 19**  
**Sunday, October 8, 2023**

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1011 W Jomax Road  
Peoria, AZ 85383

***Sunday 9am Worship***

Pastor Paul Mueller  
Mr. Andrew Aguilar, Principal

# WELCOME to our worship center

Blessed to be a member of



*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.*

Growing in Faith — Living in Grace — Sharing His Glory

## ABOUT US

*The continuing purpose of this congregation, as a gathering of Christians, is to spread to all people in God's world the glory of the cross of Christ, by sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ on the basis of the Holy Scriptures.*

### Today's Worship Focus



#### THE TRAGEDY OF FAITH LOST

Have you ever known someone that maybe following a dispute at church became bitter and slowly fell away from faith? What a tragedy to know what it is to live in God's grace and then to walk away from this priceless treasure!

There are many reasons people give for why they've left behind studying God's Word and stopped attending worship services, but bitterness can take over and many times is the root cause for them to walk away from God's grace. Our sermon text today (Hebrew 12:15-17) takes on **The Tragedy of Faith Lost**, a subject of which we Christians should always remain vigilant.

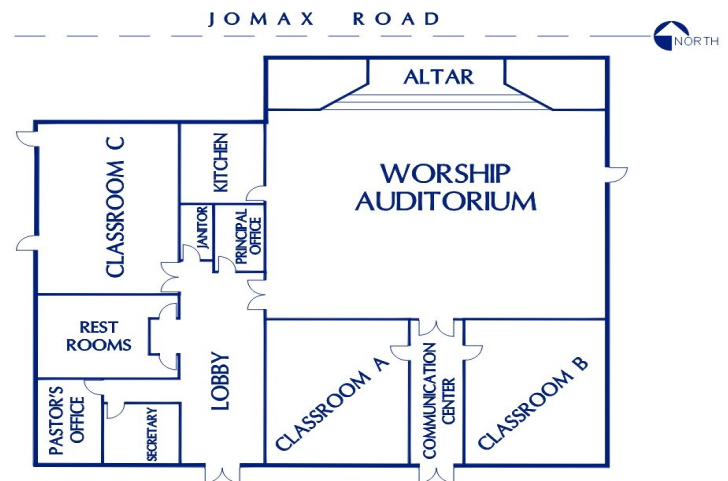
## VISITOR INFORMATION

**New to Cross of Glory?** We are so glad you joined us today! We invite you to stay after the service to chat and join us for coffee time .

Would you like to learn more about us? We'd love to get to know you better as well. Connect with Cross of Glory by either:

- Using the **friendship register** at the end of each row to connect with us today.
- Emailing us at  
[church.secretary@crossofglory.org](mailto:church.secretary@crossofglory.org)

## CHURCH MAP



## FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

- Restrooms with changing tables located in lobby.
- Nursery for toddlers 2 years and younger accompanied by adult in Classroom A.
- **Children in Church Program:** Worship is a family affair, something that children best learn from their parents. We encourage parents to guide their children through the service. We invite children to come forward for the Children's Message during the service. Let's work together to bring up the next generation in the Word of the Lord!

## Service of Worship and Praise

### Opening Hymn: Jesus, Refuge of the Weary

CWH 409



Hymn of praise, prayer,  
or reflection on the  
season of the church  
year.

We follow the advice of  
the Apostle Paul to  
“teach and admonish  
one another with all  
wisdom through  
psalms, hymns, and  
songs from the Spirit,  
singing to God with  
gratitude in your  
hearts.”  
(Colossians 3:16)

1 Je - sus, ref - uge of the wea - ry, blest Re - deem - er,  
2 Dare we pass that cross un - heed - ing, breath - ing no re -  
3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing with more fer - vent

whom we love, foun - tain in life's des - ert drear - y, Sav - ior  
pent - ant vow, as we see you wound - ed, bleed - ing, see your  
love for you! May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing to be -

from the world a - bove, of - ten have your eyes, of - fend - ed,  
thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Since your sin - less death has brought us  
hold your cross a - new, till in glo - ry, part - ed nev - er

gazed up - on the sin - ner's fall; yet, up - on the  
life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest, on - ly what your  
from the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, grav - en in our

cross ex - tend - ed, you en - dured the pain of all.  
grace has taught us calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.  
hearts for - ev - er dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied!

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### We Gather in God's Name

(Read/Sung Responsively)

**M:** We gather for worship the same way we were baptized: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

**M:** As believers in Christ we are called to repent of our sins and forgive one another. In the book of James we are told, “Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for one another so that you may be healed.” As one body in Christ, we unite our hearts in prayer:

**C:** Lord, I pray to you because I am suffering. I have cut myself off from you and others by the sin in my life. I need your forgiveness so that I may find



We call upon God to be  
present with us. We  
worship the triune God,  
remembering our Bap-  
tism in his name.



“If we confess our sins,  
he is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our  
sins and purify us from  
all unrighteousness.”  
(1 John 1:9)

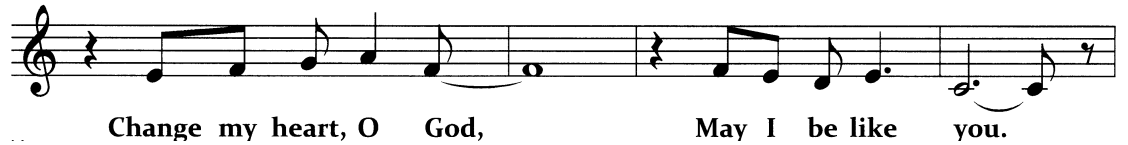
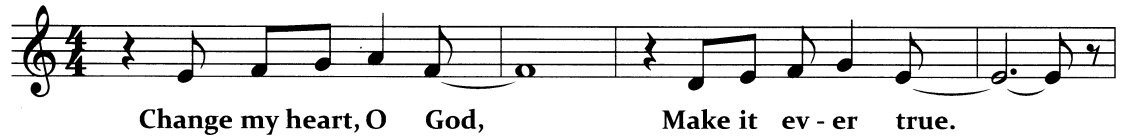


The song of confession is taken from Isaiah which reminds us that "all our righteous acts are like filthy rags", but along with Isaiah we acknowledge that through his Word our God is able to mold us into the humble servants he wants us to be.

healing for my wounded life and for the wounds I have caused others. Today in the name of Jesus I pray, forgive me; and by the power of your Holy Spirit, renew my heart. Amen.

### Congregation Sings:

Refrain



Verse



M: We take comfort and find confidence in the words of Jesus, "He sent me to announce forgiveness to the prisoners of sin, to restore sight to the blind, to bring mercy to lives shattered by sin, to announce the favor of the Lord." God gave his only Son, Jesus, to die for our sins and rise from death to give us eternal life. We are forgiven. We live in the favor of the Lord. We live in his power, energized to tell of his peace.

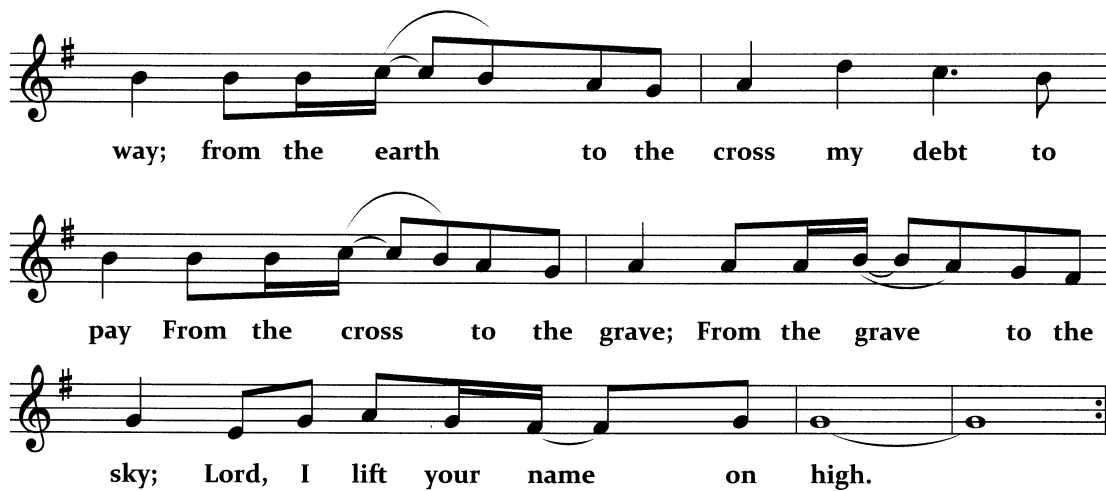
C: Amen.



This hymn of praise gives the congregation the opportunity to praise God and express joy because our debt of sin was paid by Jesus, our victorious Savior.

### Congregation Sings:





## Catechism Review: 5th and 6th Petitions

(Spoken Responsively)

M: Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

*What does this mean?*

**C: We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look upon our sins or because of them deny our prayers; for we are worthy of none of the things for which we ask, neither have we deserved them, but we ask that he would give them all to us by grace; for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will forgive from the heart and gladly do good to those who sin against us.**

M: Lead us not into temptation.

*What does this mean?*

**C: God surely tempts no one to sin, but we pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us, so that the devil, the world, and our flesh may not deceive us or lead us into false belief, despair, and other great and shameful sins; and though we are tempted by them, we pray that we may overcome and win the victory.**

## First Reading

Isaiah 5:1-7

<sup>1</sup>I will sing for the one I love  
a song about his vineyard:  
My loved one had a vineyard  
on a fertile hillside.  
<sup>2</sup>He dug it up and cleared it of stones  
and planted it with the choicest vines.  
He built a watchtower in it  
and cut out a winepress as well.  
Then he looked for a crop of good grapes,  
but it yielded only bad fruit.



*For five centuries, Martin Luther's Small Catechism has served as the basic instruction book for the church. It directs us to God's Word and points to the only source for spiritual life, the Means of Grace: the Word and Sacraments. As life-long students of the Catechism, we review these important truths from God's Word as we continue to grow in a deep appreciation for all that Jesus has done as our Savior.*



*The LORD Almighty pictures his patient love for Israel as an owner of a vineyard patiently waiting for a good crop of fruit.*

<sup>3</sup>“Now you dwellers in Jerusalem and people of Judah,  
 judge between me and my vineyard.  
<sup>4</sup>What more could have been done for my vineyard  
 than I have done for it?  
 When I looked for good grapes,  
 why did it yield only bad?  
<sup>5</sup>Now I will tell you  
 what I am going to do to my vineyard:  
 I will take away its hedge,  
 and it will be destroyed;  
 I will break down its wall,  
 and it will be trampled.  
<sup>6</sup>I will make it a wasteland,  
 neither pruned nor cultivated,  
 and briers and thorns will grow there.  
 I will command the clouds  
 not to rain on it.”  
<sup>7</sup>The vineyard of the LORD Almighty  
 is the nation of Israel,  
 and the people of Judah  
 are the vines he delighted in.  
 And he looked for justice, but saw bloodshed;  
 for righteousness, but heard cries of distress.



*The Book of Psalms was the Old Testament hymnbook, prayer and liturgy book. It was used by worshipers at the temple. Many of the Psalms are the basis for our hymns and part of our liturgy is taken from the Psalms. The word “Psalm” comes from the Greek and means “a song sung to the accompaniment of a stringed instrument.”*

## Psalm 80

(Spoken Responsively)

M: Hear us, Shepherd of Israel,  
**C: you who lead Joseph like a flock.**  
 M: You who sit enthroned between the cherubim,  
**C: awaken your might; come and save us.**  
 M: How long, LORD God Almighty,  
**C: will your anger smolder against the prayers of your people?**  
 M: You have made us an object of derision to our neighbors,  
**C: and our enemies mock us.**  
 M: You transplanted a vine from Egypt;  
**C: you drove out the nations and planted it.**  
 M: You cleared the ground for it,  
**C: and it took root and filled the land.**  
 M: Why have you broken down its walls  
**C: so that all who pass by pick its grapes?**  
 M: Return to us, God Almighty!  
**C: Look down from heaven and see!**

## Gospel

Matthew 21:33-43

<sup>33</sup>“Listen to another parable: There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and moved to another place. <sup>34</sup>When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit.

<sup>35</sup>“The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. <sup>36</sup>Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them the same way. <sup>37</sup>Last of all, he sent his son to them. ‘They will respect my son,’ he said.

<sup>38</sup>“But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, ‘This is the heir. Come, let’s kill him and take his inheritance.’ <sup>39</sup>So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

<sup>40</sup>“Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?”

<sup>41</sup>“He will bring those wretches to a wretched end,” they replied, “and he will rent the vineyard to other tenants, who will give him his share of the crop at harvest time.”

<sup>42</sup>Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures:

“The stone the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone;  
the Lord has done this,  
and it is marvelous in our eyes’?”

<sup>43</sup>“Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.



*Jesus tells us a story of  
God’s reckless patience.*

## Sermon Hymn: Fight the Good Fight

CWH 876



1 Fight the good fight with all your might; Christ is your  
2 Run the straight race through God’s good grace; lift up your  
3 Cast care a - side, lean on your guide; his bound-less  
4 Faint not nor fear, his arms are near; he chang - es



strength and Christ your right. Lay hold on life, and  
eyes and seek his face. Life with its way be -  
mer - cy will pro - vide. Lean, and the trust - ing  
not, and you are dear. On - ly be - lieve, and



*This hymn follows the  
theme of the readings  
and sets the stage for  
the sermon.*





it shall be your joy and crown e - ter - nal - ly.  
fore us lies; Christ is the path and Christ the prize.  
soul shall prove Christ is its life and Christ its love.  
you will see that Christ is Lord e - ter - nal - ly.

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In the sermon the Pastor proclaims God's Word and applies that word to modern life and problems. He stresses both what God demands of us (the Law) and what God does for us through Jesus Christ (the Gospel).



After hearing the Word of God, we respond with our confession of faith.

Today, we confess the third article of The Apostles' Creed, which focuses on the third person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit who creates faith in our hearts through the gospel, keeps us in the faith and motivates us to do good works.

The explanation is taken from Luther's Small Catechism.



This is a hymn selected for the current church season that is generally new to our congregation, usually introduced first by a soloist, and repeated for several weeks to assist the congregation in learning the hymn.

## Sermon

## The Tragedy of Faith Lost

Hebrews 12:15–17

<sup>15</sup>See to it that no one falls short of the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many. <sup>16</sup>See that no one is sexually immoral, or is godless like Esau, who for a single meal sold his inheritance rights as the oldest son.

<sup>17</sup> Afterward, as you know, when he wanted to inherit this blessing, he was rejected. Even though he sought the blessing with tears, he could not change what he had done.

## The 3rd Article of the Apostles' Creed (Sanctification) *(Spoken Responsively)*

M: 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.

*What does this mean?*

**C: I believe that I cannot by my own thinking or choosing believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to him. But the Holy Spirit has called me by the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.**

M: In the same way he calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian Church he daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers.

**C: On the Last Day he will raise me and all the dead and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.**

**This is most certainly true.**

## Song of the Season: My Soul Finds Rest in God Alone

CWH 818

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

*My soul finds rest in God alone, my rock and my salvation;  
a fortress strong against my foes, and I will not be shaken.  
Though lips may bless and hearts may curse, and lies like arrows pierce me,  
I'll fix my heart on righteousness, I'll look to him who hears me.*

*Refrain:*

*O praise him, hallelujah, my delight and my reward;  
everlasting, never failing, my Redeemer, my God.*



## Congregation sings:



2 Find rest, my soul, in God a-lone a - mid the world's temp -  
3 I'll set my gaze on God a-lone and trust in him com -

ta - tions; when e - vil seeks to take a hold I'll  
plete - ly; with ev - 'ry day pour out my soul and

cling to my sal - va - tion. Though rich - es come and  
he will prove his mer - cy. Though life is but a

rich - es go, don't set your heart up - on them; the  
fleet - ing breath, a sigh too brief to mea - sure, my

fields of hope in which I sow are har-vest-ed in heav - en.  
King has crushed the curse of death and I am his for - ev - er.

### Refrain



O praise him, hal-le - lu - jah, my de - light and my re - ward;

ev - er - last - ing, nev - er fail - ing, my Re - deem - er, my God.

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## Offering Prayer

(Spoken by Minister)

*If you brought a monetary gift today for the work of the church, please place your offering in the receptacle at one of the two entrances to the sanctuary either before or after the service.*

## Prayer of the Church

(Spoken by Minister)



*The gifts of God's people are a response to God's blessings.*

*The apostle Paul encouraged young Pastor Timothy: "I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people".  
(1 Timothy 2:1)*

Today we sing the prayer Jesus taught us.  
(Matthew 6)

## The Lord's Prayer

(Sung by Congregation)



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your  
name, your king - dom come, your will be done on  
earth as in heav - en. Give us to - day our  
dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins, as  
we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Lead us  
not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from  
e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er, and the glo - ry are  
yours now and for - ev - er. A - men.



The **Aaronic Blessing** is the blessing that Aaron and his sons were to speak over the people of Israel, recorded in Numbers 6:23–27. The pastor offers the same blessing to the congregation as they are about to conclude their worship.

## Blessing

**M:** 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: Christ, the Sure and Steady Anchor

CWH 812

*Ensemble sings Vs. 1 and Congregation joins for Vs. 2-4*

*Christ, the sure and steady anchor in the fury of the storm—  
when the winds of doubt blow through me and my sails have all been torn,*

in the suff'ring, in the sorrow, when my sinking hopes are few,  
I will hold fast to the anchor; it shall never be removed.

**Congregation sings:**

2 Christ, the sure and stead - y an - chor while the  
3 Christ, the sure and stead - y an - chor through the  
4 Christ, the sure and stead - y an - chor as we

tem - pest ra - ges on— when temp - ta - tion claims the  
floods of un - be - lief— hope - less, some - how, O my  
face the wave of death— when these trials give way to

bat - tle and it seems the night has won,  
soul now, lift your eyes to Cal - va - ry.  
glo - ry and we draw our fi - nal breath,

deep - er still then goes the an - chor, though I  
This my bal - last of as - sur - ance, see his  
we will cross that great ho - ri - zon, clouds be -  
Christ, the shore of our sal - va - tion, ev - er

just - ly stand ac - cused; I will hold fast to the  
love for - ev - er proved; I will hold fast to the  
hind and life se - cure, and the calm will be the  
faith - ful, ev - er true— we will hold fast to the

an - chor; it shall nev - er be re - moved.  
an - chor; it shall nev - er be re - moved.  
bet - ter, for the storms that we en - dure.  
*an - chor; it shall nev - er be re - moved.*

*4th stanza repeat italics*

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## Ways to Serve

<b>Worship Volunteers</b>	<b>October 8th</b>	<b>October 15th</b>	<b>October 22nd</b>
<b>Counters</b>	Judy Sasse Susie Cornell	Joel Ditter Nancy Schirripa	Nick Nicholai Michael Ryan
<b>Communion</b>		Shannon	
<b>Cleaners</b>	Kelley Piepenbrink	Koutia Grams	Gullerud Kugler
<b>Ushers</b>	Brian Ehinger Jake Ehinger Trey Ehinger Kade Ehinger Bill Brooks	Jon Naber Rich Kugler Kelly Simpson	Dave Goelzer Karen Goelzer Michael Ryan Gary Jeffers
<b>Sunday Refreshments</b>	Stacy Cornell Diana Piepenbrink	Jennifer Paul Rachel Plitzuweit	Nicole Brown Leslie Contreras Tracy Ditter
<b>A/V</b>	Titus Patterson Isaac Patterson	Stacy Aguilar (Rene) Gus Koutia	Stacy Cornell Pedro Conteras

## Weekly Newsletter QR Code

Please check your email or use this QR code for the weekly newsletter



## Favorite Hymn Festival

To celebrate our heritage as ‘the singing church’, on Oct. 29th our worship service will consist of our eight favorite hymns (plus Bible readings etc.). You’ll vote for your cherished songs the next two Sundays. Forms will be provided (There will be a box to put the votes in to.) Pastor will assemble the top eight favorites, plus background info, and that will guide our worship.



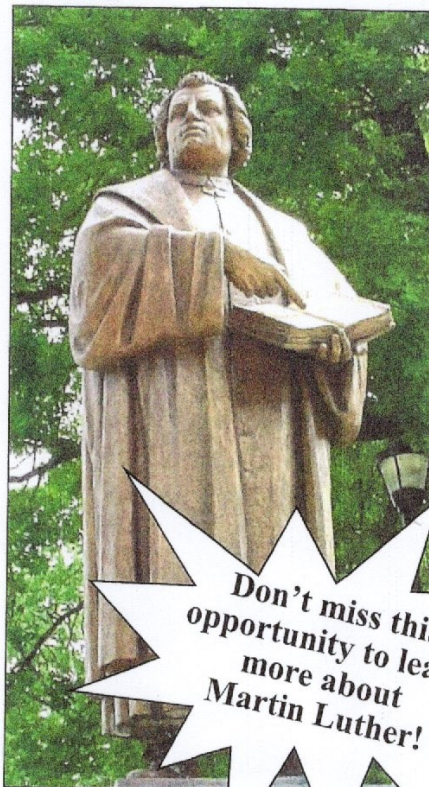
THE CONGREGATIONAL ASSISTANT PROGRAM PRESENTS

# The Life of Luther Seminar

No man since St. Paul has played a more important role in the history and direction of the Christian church than Dr. Martin Luther.

This seminar is intended to help Christians become better acquainted with the life and work of Luther. Learn why people who claim that Jesus Christ is the only way to salvation still name their churches after him. See how his understanding of Bible teaching allowed to defy pope and emperor.

You will find this day of fellowship and study rewarding and strengthening for your own faith.



Don't miss this opportunity to learn more about Martin Luther!

**Saturday, October 14, 2023**

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Shepherd of the Valley  
Ev. Lutheran Church**

14650 W Bell Rd.  
Surprise, AZ 85374

*Welcome food before the seminar and lunch during it will be provided.*

Guest Speaker

**Prof. Brian Hennig**

*Professor of Theology & History  
Martin Luther College*

*To Pre-register, contact*

**Mrs. Lori Neumann**

**azlori24@cox.net  
(623) 975-0605**

*Seminar registration fee is \$10 per person.  
Please register by Thursday, October 5.*

For more information about the Congregational Assistant Program,  
visit our website at <https://mlc-wels.edu/can/>

## This Week at COG

### October 8

9:00 am	Jomax Worship (Live Streamed)
9:30 am	New River Worship Service
10:45 am	Everything New Bible Class
10:45 am	Contemporary Service
10:45 am	Kids Klub
4:00 pm	Confirmation Class

### October 10

6:30 pm	Church Council
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### October 12

9:30 am	Golden Agers Breakfast
10:00 am	Foundations of Faith

## Next Week at COG

### October 15

9:00 am	Jomax Worship (Live Streamed)
9:30 am	New River Worship Service
10:45 am	Everything New Bible Class
10:45 am	Contemporary Service
10:45 am	Kids Klub
4:00 pm	Confirmation Class

### October 19

10:00 am	Foundations of Faith
6:30 pm	New River Growth Group

### October 21

9:00 am	Bibles and Brews
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**Welcome to Fall!!**

We are looking for families to assist in making the Trunk or Treat event a success again this year. We need both families that are willing to decorate a trunk and those that can assist at a couple booths that we'll be setting up. If you are planning to decorate a trunk, please avoid scary or demonic themes, as we are on church grounds. To make this event more exciting for the children, it would be nice to have a planned game or activity near each trunk. Some ideas are ring toss, bowling, or even a simple craft. If you need ideas for a trunk or an activity, please reach out to Brenda Grams, Ashley Scott, or Liz Simkauskas. The two booths we are doing are a temporary tattoo booth and a coloring contest booth. Please use QR code to sign up.



## 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.*

***Norm Voigt**, as he continues treatments.*

***Velta Larson**, as she recovers from eye surgery.*

### Value of Worship

How easy it is to take for granted the privilege and blessings of coming to church! Lord help each of us to see the importance of gathering with fellow believers and the satisfaction it brings.

*<sup>24</sup> And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup> not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Hebrews 10: 24-25*

### 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.*

***Ben Weyer**, serving in the military, at El Paso, TX*



**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. 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.