

# Cross of Glory

Lutheran Church & School



**Pentecost 8**  
***Sunday, July 14, 2024***

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***Sunday 9am Worship***

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# 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



## MEANINGFUL MINISTRY

This week we are given the answer to that question. "Dad said so." When our God calls us to do ministry, he also gives us authority. In calling us to ministry, God isn't asking us to share our advice or our opinion or even our values. We are sharing God's own authoritative Word. Gospel ministry is conducted by believers but with God's own authority behind the effort.

When a child asks a sibling to do something there isn't much certainty as to the results. The sibling might simply ignore the request. However, if that same child goes to a brother or sister with "Dad said so," it's a very different story! Now the father's authority is behind the child's request.

As believers carry out gospel ministry, encouraging others to turn to Christ in repentance, people might push back. "What gives you the right?" Maybe we ask that question ourselves. "I'm far from perfect. So, what gives me the right to talk about things like sin?"

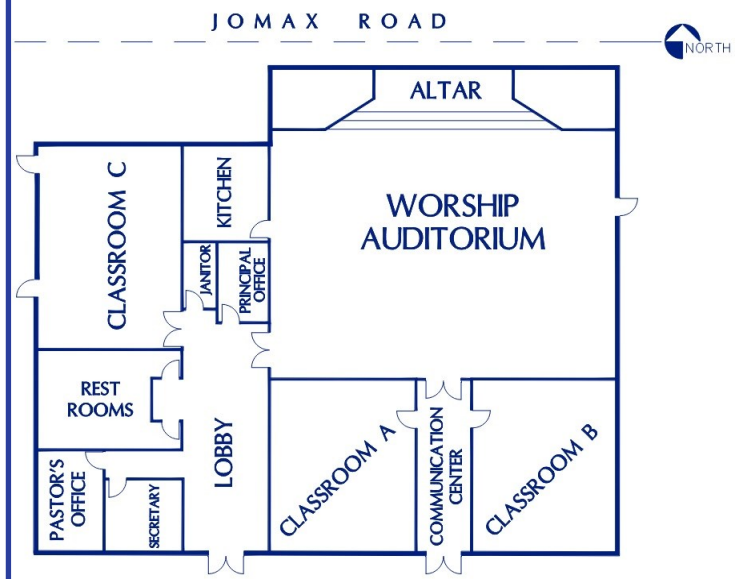
## VISITOR INFORMATION

**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 Celebration and Reverence

### Opening Hymn: Go Forth and Preach the Gospel

CWH 908



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 Go forth and preach the gos - pel to all who are in need.  
2 Go forth and preach the gos - pel to all who live in fear,  
3 Go forth and preach the gos - pel; go spread the news a - broad!

As wit - ness to the Sav - ior, go teach by word and deed.  
and share the joy - ful mes - sage that God is al - ways near.  
Pro - claim to ev - 'ry na - tion the great - ness of our God.

The Spir - it is up - on us, and sends us to de - clare  
The Spir - it is up - on us, and sends us forth in peace  
The Spir - it is up - on us, that all may un - der - stand

good news of God's for - give - ness to peo - ple ev - 'ry - where.  
to bring the poor glad ti - dings, that mer - cy may in - crease.  
the prom - ise of sal - va - tion re - vealed to ev - 'ry land.

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### We Approach God

(Spoken/Sung Responsively)

M: O Creator, to you darkness is light, and a thousand years is as a day. Before we speak, you know our thoughts.

C: **There is no place we can flee from your sight.**

M: O most holy Lord, our relationship with you requires a personal integrity we do not have. We are cut to the heart to realize that you judge every thought, word and action.

C: **We have been arrogant to challenge your laws. We have been foolish to excuse our lust for more as a basic human need. We have blamed our unhappiness on others. Our self-centeredness is the worst affliction on earth and we no longer deny it.**

M: O God of wisdom, we have wandered from your ways. We do not deserve leniency. The only thing we possess is our guilt.

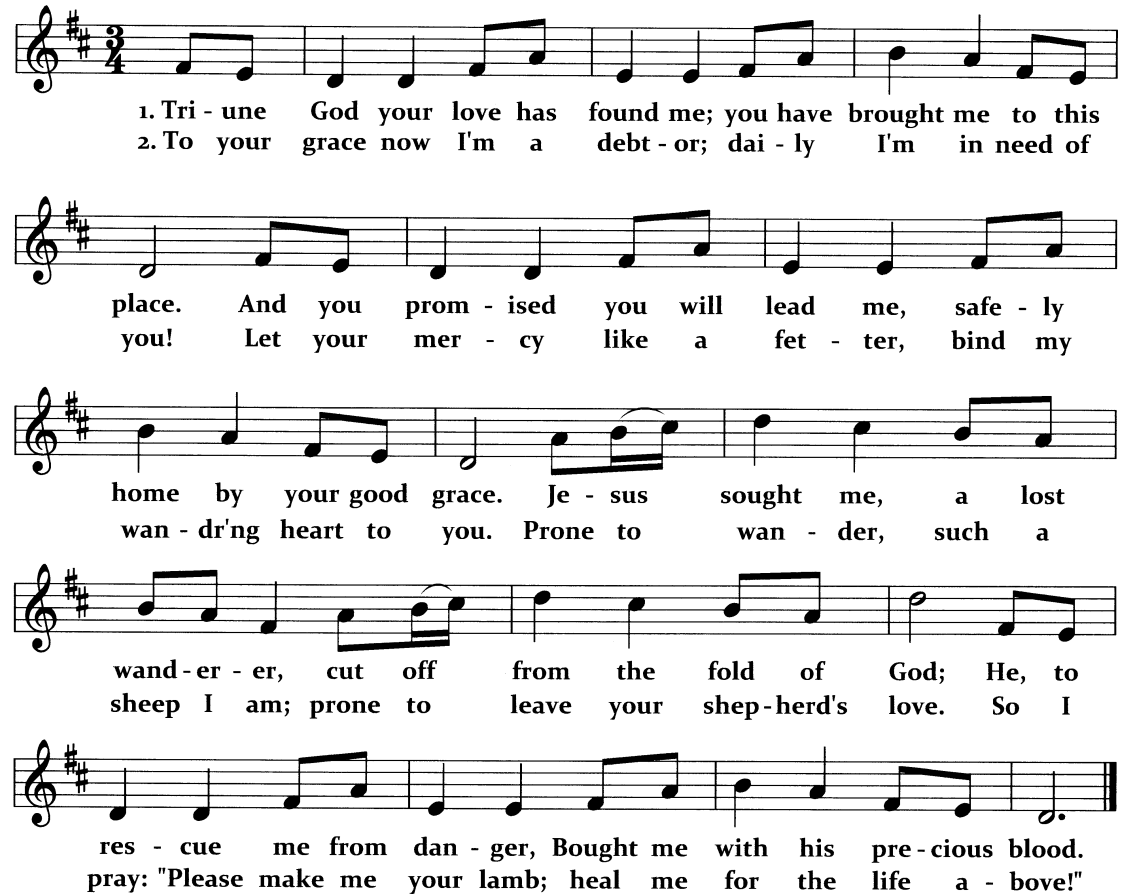


We are able to ap-  
proach the eternal,  
almighty Triune God  
because he is the God  
of undeserved love—  
the God of Grace.

We confess our sins to  
God confident he will  
forgive us because he  
has promised, “If we  
confess our sins, he  
[God] is faithful and  
just and will forgive us  
our sins and purify us  
from all unrighteous-  
ness” (1 John 1:9).

C: O Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we can speak your name only because you are the God of grace. Jesus came to be the sacrificial Lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. Because you have gathered all the lost, we plead: "Be our Shepherd."

(Sung by Congregation)



1. Tri-une God your love has found me; you have brought me to this  
2. To your grace now I'm a debt-or; dai-ly I'm in need of

place. And you prom-ised you will lead me, safe-ly  
you! Let your mer-cy like a fet-ter, bind my

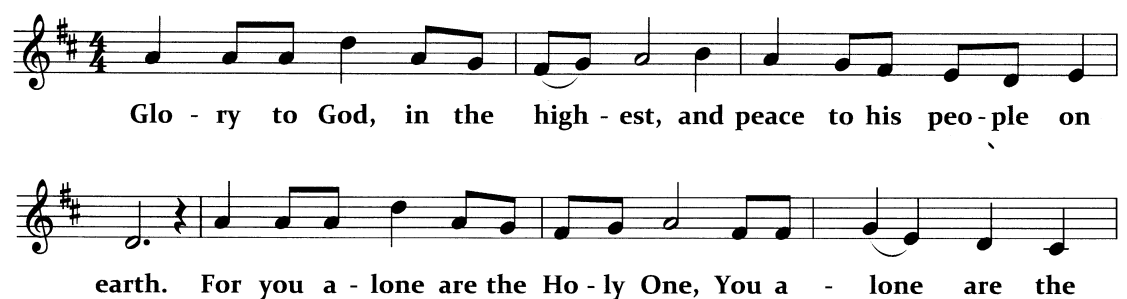
home by your good grace. Je-sus sought me, a lost  
wan-dr'ng heart to you. Prone to wan-der, such a

wand-er-er, cut off from the fold of God; He, to  
sheep I am; prone to leave your shep-herd's love. So I

res-cue me from dan-ger, Bought me with his pre-cious blood.  
pray: "Please make me your lamb; heal me for the life a-bove!"

M: The Triune God knows our needs. He remembers that we are dust. He gloried in doing for us what we do not deserve. Before we existed, the Father sent his one and only Son to trade places with a world of sinners. In the fullness of time, Jesus packaged his honor in humility and was born into our world. By His flawless life and innocent death, he ransomed the world from sin, Satan and damnation. The Holy Spirit raised him back to life to guarantee that we who trust these truths are God's children and heirs of heaven. Amen.

(Sung by Congregation)



Glo-ry to God, in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on

earth. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the



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.



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.

## Catechism Review: The 3rd and 4th Commandments

(Spoken Responsively)

M: Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

*What does this mean?*

**C: We should fear and love God that we do not despise preaching and his Word, but regard it as holy and gladly hear and learn it.**

M: Honor your father and mother, that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.

*What does this mean?*

**C: We should fear and love God that we do not dishonor or anger our parents and others in authority, but honor, serve, and obey them, and give them love and respect.**

## Prayer of the Day

(Spoken by Minister)

M: O Lord, you granted your prophets strength to resist the temptations of the devil and courage to proclaim repentance. Give us pure hearts and minds to follow your Son faithfully even into suffering and death; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**



The main thoughts of the day are collected or summarized in this short prayer.

## First Reading

Amos 7:10-15

<sup>10</sup>Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent a message to Jeroboam king of Israel: "Amos is raising a conspiracy against you in the very heart of Israel. The land cannot bear all his words. "For this is what Amos is saying:

“Jeroboam will die by the sword,  
and Israel will surely go into exile,  
away from their native land.’ ”



Wicked Amaziah questions the prophet's right to rebuke the king. Amos explains that he has authority only because the LORD told him to speak on God's behalf.



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.”

<sup>12</sup>Then Amaziah said to Amos, “Get out, you seer! Go back to the land of Judah. Earn your bread there and do your prophesying there. <sup>13</sup>Don’t prophesy anymore at Bethel, because this is the king’s sanctuary and the temple of the kingdom.”

<sup>14</sup>Amos answered Amaziah, “I was neither a prophet nor the son of a prophet, but I was a shepherd, and I also took care of sycamore-fig trees. <sup>15</sup>But the LORD took me from tending the flock and said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’

## Psalm 78

*(Spoken Responsively)*

M: My people, hear my teaching;

**C: listen to the words of my mouth.**

M: I will utter hidden things, things from of old—

**C: things our ancestors have told us.**

M: We will not hide them from their descendants;

**C: we will tell the next generation**

M: the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD,

**C: his power, and the wonders he has done.**

M: He decreed statutes for Jacob

**C: and established the law in Israel,**

M: which he commanded our ancestors

**C: to teach their children,**

M: so the next generation would know them, even the children yet to be born,

**C: and they in turn would tell their children.**

M: Then they would put their trust in God

**C: and would not forget his deeds but would keep his commands.**

## The Children’s Sermon

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



– St. Paul establishes qualifications for those who serve in public ministry and stresses that their authority comes from holding firmly to God’s Word.

## Second Reading

*Titus 1:5–9*

<sup>5</sup>The reason I left you in Crete was that you might put in order what was left unfinished and appoint elders in every town, as I directed you. <sup>6</sup>An elder must be blameless, faithful to his wife, a man whose children believe and are not open to the charge of being wild and disobedient. <sup>7</sup>Since an overseer manages God’s household, he must be blameless—not overbearing, not quick-tempered, not given to drunkenness, not violent, not pursuing dishonest gain. <sup>8</sup>Rather, he must be hospitable, one who loves what is good, who is self-controlled, upright, holy and disciplined. <sup>9</sup>He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it.



## Verse of the Day

(Spoken by Minister; Sung Response by Congregation)

M: The Word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart so you may obey it. Alleluia. (*Deuteronomy 30:14*)

(Sung by the Congregation)



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Faith comes from hear - ing the mes - sage, and the

mes - sage is heard through the Word of Christ.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le' lu - ia!



A verse from the Holy Scriptures is usually spoken to capture the theme of the service.

The sung response is taken from Romans 10:17.

## Sermon Hymn: O Christ, Who Called the Twelve

CWH 716



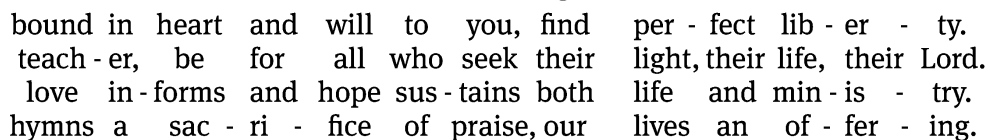
1 O Christ, who called the Twelve to rise and fol - low you, for -  
 2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve the truth for a - ges sealed, whose  
 3 O Christ, who sent the Twelve on roads they'd nev - er trod to  
 4 O Christ, th'a - pos - tles' Lord, the mar - tyrs' strength and song, the

sak - ing old, fa - mil - iar ways for ven - tures bold and new:  
 words and works a - wak - ened faith, the ways of God re - vealed:  
 serve, to suf - fer, teach, pro - claim the near - er reign of God:  
 cru - ci - fied and ris - en King to whom the saints be - long:

grant us to hear your call to risk se - cur - i - ty and,  
 in - struct us now, we pray, by your em - pow'r - ing Word. True  
 send us on ways where faith tran - scends ti - mid - i - ty, where  
 though gen - er - a - tions pass, our trib - ute still we bring, our



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



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).



The Apostles' Creed, developed over hundreds of years in the early Christian church, is a brief and simple statement of gospel truths taught by the apostles. Christians used it to tell others what they believed and also to confess their faith with one another as they met for worship.

## Mark 6:7-13

<sup>8</sup>These were his instructions: “Take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. <sup>9</sup>Wear sandals but not an extra shirt. <sup>10</sup>Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. <sup>11</sup>And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, leave that place and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them.”

## The Apostles' Creed

(Spoken in Unison)

**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.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**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: All I Have Is Christ

CWH 580

Vs. 1 sung by Ensemble; Congregation joins for Vs. 2 & 3



*I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way.  
The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave.  
I had no hope that you would own a rebel to your will,  
and if you had not loved me first I would refuse you still.*

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.

## Sung by Congregation

2 But as I ran my hell-bound race in dif-f'rent  
3 Now, Lord, I would be yours a-lone and live so

to the cost, you looked up-on my help-less  
all might see the strength to fol-low your com-

state and led me to the cross. And I be-  
mands could nev-er come from me. O Fa-ther,

held God's love dis-played- you suf-fered in my  
use my ran-somed life in an-y way you

place. You bore the wrath re-served for me;  
choose, and let my song for-ev-er be-

1 now all I know is grace.  
my on-ly boast is you.

Refrain

Hal-le-lu-jah! All I have is Christ.

Hal-le-lu-jah! Je-sus is my life.

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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)



We speak to God as our Father as Jesus taught us. (Matthew 6)

## 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 Lord's Prayer

(Spoken in Unison)

**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

(Spoken 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

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.



*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.*

## Closing Hymn: Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying

CWH 745



- 1 Hark, the voice of Je - sus cry - ing, "Who will go and work to - day?
- 2 If you can - not speak like an - gels, if you can - not preach like Paul,
- 3 If you can - not be a watch - man, stand - ing high on Zi - on's wall,
- 4 Let none hear you i - dly say - ing, "There is noth - ing I can do,"



Fields are ripe and har - vests wait - ing; who will bear the sheaves a - way?"  
you can tell the love of Je - sus, you can say he died for all.  
point - ing out the path to heav - en, of - f'ring life and peace to all,  
while the mul - ti - tudes are dy - ing, and the Mas - ter calls for you.



Loud and long the Mas - ter call - eth; rich re - ward he of - fers thee.  
If you can - not rouse the wick - ed with the judg - ment's dread a - larms,  
with your prayers and with your of - f'rings you can do what God de - mands;  
Take the task he gives you glad - ly, let his work your plea - sure be;



Who will an - swer, glad - ly say - ing, "Here am I, send me, send me?"  
you can lead the lit - tle chil - dren to the Sav - ior's wait - ing arms.  
you can be like faith - ful Aar - on, hold - ing up the proph - et's hands.  
an - swer quick - ly when he call - eth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"

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## Weekly QR code



**Prayer Highlights** for members and friends with noteworthy blessings, difficulties or health issues. To-day we especially remember in our prayers...

***Diane Lawrence**, for good news from her eye biopsy and a speedy healing of her two broken ribs.*

***Judy Sasse**, who is recovering from surgery and is receiving treatment for cancer that was discovered.*

***Mary Lou Cannon**, who was in the hospital last week but is now at home recovering.*

**Nancy Schirripa**, prayers as she and her family celebrate the life of her mother in a special memorial service.

**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.