

Welcome to Cross of Glory!

We are glad you have joined us for worship today. We ask those joining us for the first time to please stop by the Welcome Table (at the door) and pick up an information packet and CD to learn more about us.

Our Mission Statement



Services:

Sunday: 9:00 am & 10:45 am
Wednesday: 6:00 pm

Ministers:

All Members of Cross of Glory

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Sermon Blog

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Special Announcements

Blood Drive This Tuesday

The next blood drive at Cross of Glory will be on Tuesday, February 23rd from 2 to 6 pm. Sign up in the Welcome Room. All donors will be entered in a drawing for a Gas Gift Card.



Special Congregational Meeting – Next Sunday

Join us on Sunday February 28th, 2010 at noon to vote on the Proposed Budget for 2010. Contact Pastor PJ with any questions on the budget or this special meeting. A quorum (10%) is needed to conduct business.

Updating Church Directory

We are updating information for our Church Directory and data base. You should find a form to fill out with your church program and extras will be available on the white table in the worship room. Please have them turned in by March 7th. Any questions please ask a staff person for assistance. An updated Church Directory should be available by the end of March.

Get Lenten Information at www.CrossOfGlory.Com

Check out the “LENT” Button on our webpage for service times and daily Lenten devotions.

**Cross of Glory is
Reaching & Serving...**
Council Contact: Beth Gervase

Preschool Making Health Kits

People who must flee their homes quickly often do not have time to pack essential items. **Health Kits** can help refugees maintain personal hygiene while living in exile. Items may also contribute to a new start for those who can return home.

Lutheran World Relief has completely exhausted their supply of Health Kits in response to help for Haiti. Our Preschool and the good folks of Cross of Glory would like to help the relief effort by donating health kits for Lutheran World Relief. We are recommending that each child/family bring at least one Health Kit. **We will collect the Health Kits through the month of February** and in this way our students can learn how to care for our neighbors. There will be a box outside the preschool for donations.

Health Kit Contents:

- One hand towel, dark color recommended
- One washcloth, dark color recommended
- One bath-size bar (4 to 5 oz) of soap, any brand, in its original wrapping
- One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging
- One sturdy comb, remove packaging
- One metal nail file or nail clippers with file attached, remove packaging (do not substitute cardboard emery boards for the file)
- Six Band-Aids (or similar brand), preferably ½" to ¾"; secure together with a rubber band.

Casa Jovenes Tres (Casa Youth Trip III)

There will be an informational meeting for all parent/youth on Sunday, February 21st at NOON (after the 10:45 service). This is for youth interested in going to Casa de los Angeles this summer. The Trip will be July 31 to August 7th

All youth must be 16 years old by the trip date and no older than 20! If you have any questions please contact Dan Murtaugh or the church office

Help Casa de Los Angeles

From Donna... "Casa de los Angeles is in a very tight situation right now... trying to meet our expenses from week to week. With thousands of supporters and volunteers who know very well the good work that happens here, we believe that if each of you is able to give something... as small as it may seem, we will be able to continue to help the families in our care."

Checks to *Casa de los Angeles* can be placed in the offering or sent to CoG.

CoG is Welcoming & Nurturing...

Council Contact: Bonnie Marszalek

Casa Fundraiser - *Candlelight Yoga*

CoG is hosting Candlelight Yoga on February 26th to benefit Casa. Join us for an extremely relaxing meditative yoga class by candle light. This is a great way to encourage a healthy mind and body and raise funds for Casa at the same time! Class will be suitable for beginners and Janet will offer more challenging modifications for those interested in more of a challenge. Janet is excited to volunteer her time and talents to help us raise funds for our mission in Mexico, Casa de los Angeles. 100% of the proceeds go to Casa. Please invite friends, co-workers and family. Bring: a yoga mat (We have several extra mats for you to borrow if necessary.)

When: Friday, February 26th, 7- 8:15 PM

Cost: \$8.00

Contact: Janet Fender 815-838-5285

Tammy Mack 708- 334-8351

www.fenderyoga.com

The Friday Night Group invites you to stay after yoga for a discussion of that week's *Adventure through the Bible readings* from 8:15 to 9:15 pm.

The Book Club – Everyone Welcome

This month we are reading *Three Cups of Tea* by Gregg Mortenson. Everyone is welcome to read the book and join in a great discussion. This book should interest both women and men as it shows how building schools can help win the hearts and minds of the people of Pakistan and Afghanistan. We will meet on Sunday, February 28th at 6:00 pm at the Nabors' house. For information, contact Cheryl or Bill.

NIS 2010 Congregational Resourcing Event

The Northern Illinois Synod's Congregational Resourcing Event (CRE) in Malta, Illinois on Saturday, March 20th, is one of our synod's finest events. Everyone (council members, teachers, musicians, staff, leaders, and volunteers) can take advantage of this learning event to strengthen skills, gather resources, network with others, and discover new ways to enhance congregational and individual ministries. Come, experience and bring home new ministry tools. Brochures are available in the Worship Room on the information table. Fill out the registration form and be sure to turn it in by Sunday, February 28th to any staff or council member. Get more information on CRE at <http://www.nisynod.org/cre>.

Ladies' February Event - *Blanket Buddies*

We are inviting all ladies to join us on February 21st at 6:30 at the church as we make fleece knotted blankets for Hope Children's Hospital. To read more about the *Blanket Buddies* program, read the article at www.southtownstar.com/neighborhoodstar/oaklawn/2011374,012610blankets.article

All the materials are being provided. If you would like, you can make a \$5.00 donation towards the materials. If you have fabric scissors or a rotary cutter, please bring them.

Beverages will be provided. You are welcome to bring an appetizer or snack to share. Come and join us for some fellowship as we provide some warmth for the kids. If you plan to attend, please let Mary Beth Randle, Cheryl Nabors or the church know.

CoG is Worshiping & Teaching...

Council Contacts: Brian Gervase (Worshiping)
Terri Niemeyer (Teaching Youth),
Dan Malone (Teaching Adults)

Breakfast with the Prayer & Care Team

Please join us for breakfast, Bible study and prayer before the 9:00 am worship service on Sunday 2/28 at 7:30 am. Call Della Bejlovec for details and to RSVP at 708-301-3094.

Friday Night Group - Update

The Friday Night Group is discussing the *Adventure through the Bible* readings. We will also continue to discuss the highlights of Rick Warren's book, *The Purpose Driven Church*. We meet from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Contact Tom Waller for more information or feel free to come to our next meeting on Friday.

Join us after Candlelight Yoga for a discussion of that week's *Adventure through the Bible* readings.

Volunteers Needed for Kids Klub

With the expansion to two services on Sunday, we need additional volunteers to serve as Kids Klub teachers. All teaching materials are provided to you and the more volunteers that we have on the team, the lighter the schedule will be for each teacher. Please consider donating your time and talk with a member of staff or Caryl Hruska, the Director of Kids Klub.

Kids Klub Info Now Online

Thanks to the request of a parent and the help of Tammy Mack, we now have a Kids Klub Brief on our Kids Klub page online. This way parents can see what the lesson was from Kids Klub and talk to their children about it.

See: <http://crossofglory.com/kids-klub>

CoG is Giving & Sending...

Council Contact: Bill Nabors

Recycle Paper at CoG to Help Us Earn \$\$\$

Cross of Glory earns money for paper dropped off at our green and yellow Paper Retriever located in the parking lot. **All proceeds benefit our Project 2nd Chance program.** Please remember to **bring your paper** from the office, papers from school, newspapers, magazines, catalogs, and junk mail. But please, **no metal, no glass, no plastic, and no corrugated cardboard!**

Bring in your Tab Tops

Please save your tab tops (from cans such as pop, soup and fruit) for Loyola Children's Hospital.

CoG's Five Guiding Principles...



- Jesus is Lord
- Everyone is Welcome
- We Have What the World Needs
- Everyone has Something to Offer
- Love Changes Everything

Update on our Worshiping and Giving

Week of 02/14/2010	Week of 02/07/2010
General Fund: \$8,220	General Fund: \$3,285 / \$275
Casa Offering: \$82.50	Casa Offering: Zero
SEE: \$50	SEE: \$50 / TELL: \$75
Building Use: \$200	Building Use: \$12
Attendance: 194	Attendance: 177 / 43

Upcoming Events for Cross of Glory

Sunday	02/21	Worship Every Sunday at 9:00 and 10:45 am
Sunday	02/21	Meeting for <i>Casa Jóvenes Tres</i> - Noon
Sunday	02/21	Ladies Event – Blanket Buddies – 6:30 pm
Monday	02/22	T.E.L.L. – 6:30 pm
Monday	02/22	Men's Bible Study – 8:15 pm (Every Monday)
Tuesday	02/23	Blood Drive – 2 to 6 pm
Wednesday	02/24	R.I.S.E.N – 5:00 pm; Holy Communion Class – 5:30 pm, S.E.E. – 6:00 pm
Wednesday	02/24	Mid-Week Coffeehouse Worship – 6:00 to 7:00 pm (Every Wednesday)
Wednesday	02/24	Pastor PJ's Bible Study – 7:15 to 8:15 pm
Friday	02/26	Candlelight Yoga Fundraiser for Casa de los Angeles – 7:00 pm
Friday	02/26	Friday Night Group Bible Study – 8:15 to 9:15 pm (After Yoga)
Saturday	02/27	Yoga Class - 8:00 am
Sunday	02/28	Breakfast with the Prayer Team – 7:30 am
Sunday	02/28	Special Congregational Meeting to Vote on the Budget – Noon
Sunday	02/28	Book Club – 6:00 pm at the Nabors' house (<i>Three Cups of Tea</i>)

Adventure through the Bible

Cross of Glory has embarked on an *Adventure through the Bible* in 2010. Our goal will be to read through the Bible in a year! Every week we will post readings for each day that should take around fifteen minutes. The sermons will be based on passages from the weekly readings. This week's readings are...

Sunday, Feb 21	Matthew 6: 19-34	Exodus 35 - 36	Proverbs 16
Monday	Matthew 7	Exodus 37 - 38	Proverbs 17
Tuesday	Matthew 8: 1-13	Exodus 39 - 40	Proverbs 18
Wednesday	Matthew 8: 14-34	Leviticus 1 - 2	Proverbs 19
Thursday	Matthew 9: 1-17	Leviticus 3 - 4	Proverbs 20
Friday	Matthew 9: 18-38	Leviticus 5 - 6	Proverbs 21
Saturday	Matthew 10: 1-25	Leviticus 7 - 8	Proverbs 22

To read or listen to *Today's New International Version* (TNIV) Bible...
<http://www.biblica.com/bibles/tniv>.

If you have a question about a reading, write it on *Pastor PJ's Facebook Wall*...

www.facebook.com/pastorpj.malin.

Prayer List

If you would like prayers this week for yourself or for someone else, you can write them in one of the Prayer Journals (at the left-front and left-rear of the *Worship Area*) or call the Ministry Center Office at (708.301.6998).