



In the Loop

Cross of Glory's Weekly Newsletter

March 11, 2018



Cross of Glory Church is a community of Christians, deeply rooted in Lutheran theology and tradition, and praising God with contemporary music and meaningful messages. Growing from those Lutheran roots, we reach out to share the Good News of Jesus Christ, proclaiming God's love and acceptance of all people. We offer education and fellowship programs for children, youth, and adults. We serve our neighbors by being a presence in our community, by sharing what we have, and by living out God's mission wherever we find ourselves. Visit crossofglory.com or [Facebook](#) for more information.

Worship...Growing Down Roots

Council Member: Dennis Tanrikulu

Welcome to Worship!

We're glad you've joined us today and encourage you to return often. Join us as we use *The Story* to learn more about *The Bible*. Get more details at www.crossofglory.com/the-story.

Holy Week Worship Opportunities

- Palm Sunday – March 25 at 9:30
- Seder Meal – March 29 at 6:30 (Experience a traditional Passover Seder in a Christian worship)
- Good Friday Cross Walk – March 30 at Noon (Walk with us as we join local congregations in downtown Lockport with stops at various church buildings and ending at the park band shell.)
- Good Friday Worship – March 30 at 7:00 pm
- Easter Sunday – April 1 – at 9:30 and 11:00 am

Discipleship...Growing UP

Council Member: Samantha Barczy

Lenten Soup Supper and *The Story* Discussion



Join us each Wednesday during Lent for soup at 6:00 pm and stay for a discussion of *The Story* at 6:30.

Outreach...Growing OUT

Council Member: Allen Kirkland

Serve at MorningStar Mission

Each month, we have volunteer slots available at MorningStar Mission in Joliet on the 4th Saturday of the month. Mission staff prepares the food and we serve it.

Annual Neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt

On Saturday, March 31, Cross of Glory will again host its annual neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt. We'll divide the kids up by age groups and have filled plastic Easter eggs for them to find. After the hunt, everyone is invited inside for food, crafts and cookie decorating. The Easter Bunny will be around the whole time for some photo ops. **The event starts promptly at 10:00 am** and given how fast kids can move when they are looking for eggs, you'll want to be there a bit early. This event is for the entire community (we'll have thousands of filled eggs), so bring your neighbors and friends (and don't forget an Easter basket to hold your eggs).



Egg Hunt Supplies Needed

To help us prepare for the hunt, please bring bags of wrapped Easter candy to fill the eggs. (Remember, the candy has to be small enough to fit in those little eggs.) There will be a container in the worship area for the candy. Easter is less than a month away, so you can start bringing in candy immediately.

Fellowship...Growing Together

Council Member: Maria Dziubczynski

Dinner with Friends – March 15th

Join us on March 15th at 6:30 at the **Orient Cafe** at 14108 S Bell Road in Homer Glen.

Women's Chair Yoga – Saturday, March 24th

Saturday afternoon is the perfect time to have fun with the girls! Tammy will lead our group through some exercises we can do from a chair to keep our low back, hips and shoulders flexible. We will also practice some strategies to quiet the mind chatter. If you can sit in a chair, you can do these simple poses. They will feel so good, you will want to do them at work or home!

Chair Yoga and Meditation, followed by social hour with tea and flavored waters on Saturday, March 24th at

1:00 pm, at Cross of Glory Lutheran Church. This is a free event. Bring a friend! Donations will be accepted for Centro Infantil de los Angeles. (www.centroinfantil.org)

Please sign up in the Welcome Room. See Tammy Kjos with any questions.

Book Club Update

Our next book is *Murder at the 42nd St Library* by Con Lehane. We are meeting Sunday, March 25th at 6:00 pm at Cross of Glory Lutheran Church. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Please contact Cheryl Nabors with any questions. Other books we will read include *The Other Einstein* by Marie Benedict. A new list will be announced shortly.

Facilities...Growing Buildings & Grounds

Council Member: Bill Bavirsha

Community Meeting Space Available

Cross of Glory has space available for parties, banquets, meetings and wedding receptions. Contact Laura Uzzardo.

Finance...Growing Generosity

Council Member: Bill Nabors

Update on Worship & Giving

March 4th: Attendance: 79

General Fund: \$8,030 / Capital: \$10

Ash Wednesday: \$5.59

Order Scrip from CoG

Are you looking for gifts? Gift cards are a great gift and a great way to support Cross of Glory. You get the full value while CoG receives a percentage of the face value. We have retail gift cards available on a first come, first serve basis. If you don't see what you're looking for, you can order cards and get them next Sunday. A list of over 600 participating vendors is in the Welcome Room, along with order forms. Not sure what to get? Take a list and order form with you. **See Cheryl or Bill Nabors for gift cards this week.**

Remember, scrip (gift cards) can also be used for your everyday spending. Use scrip (gift cards) for your gas and groceries and CoG benefits!

Easter Plant Sale - Order your Tulip and/or Lily



Plant for Easter! All orders will help to decorate the church for Easter Sunday Worship. You may pick up your plant after the service you attend. You may also dedicate your plant "In Honor" or "In Memory" of a loved one. All plants are \$12. Orders are due by Palm Sunday (March 25th).

Upcoming Events (crossofglory.com/cog-calendar)

Monday	03/12	Holy Communion Class – 6:00 pm
Monday	03/12	T.E.L.L. (Youth Program for 6 th to 12 th grade) – 6:30 pm
Wednesday	03/14	Soup Supper - Soup at 6:00 pm and a discussion of <i>The Story</i> at 6:30.
Thursday	03/15	Dinner with Friends at Orient Café in Homer Glen – 6:30 pm
Sunday	03/18	Brunch after Service
Saturday	03/24	Yoga & Meditation for Beginners – 9:30 am
Saturday	03/24	Women's Chair Yoga – 1:00 pm
Sunday	03/25	Palm Sunday Service – 9:30 am
Sunday	03/25	Book Club discussion of <i>Murder at the 42nd St Library</i> by Con Lehane – 6:00 pm
Thursday	03/29	Seder Meal Worship – 6:30 pm
Friday	03/30	Good Friday Cross Walk – Noon
Friday	03/30	Good Friday Worship – 7:00 pm
Saturday	03/31	Annual Neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt – 10:00 am sharp! (Rain or Shine!)
Sunday	04/01	Easter Sunday Services – 9:30 and 11:00 am

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