

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: Council Leader: Dennis Tanrikulu

Welcome to Cross of Glory

Welcome to all this Sunday. Please know that you are invited to join us in worship each Sunday at 9:30.

Prayer 101 -- the Basics

Starting today, Sunday, Sept. 15 - Join us as we learn the prayer basics -- what, when, where and why. We'll also tackle some of your prayer questions. Email any questions to Pastor Dana

Discipleship: Council Leader: Samantha Barczi

TELL Begins on Monday, September 16

On Monday, September 16, we start the Fall Session of our Youth Group (TELL). Join other young people (grades 6 through high school) from 6:30-8:00 p.m. to experience God through games, food, and conversation. It's lots of fun, so come and bring a friend.

Friday Night Bible Study Restarts This Week

This group meets on Friday nights (except in the summer) from 7:00 to 9:00. They meet in some member's homes on a loosely rotating basis, but you don't need to host in order to attend. Last year the group listened to the book of Proverbs. This year we will start working our way through the book of Psalms.

They are restarting this Friday, September 20th at 7:00 pm at the Nabors' residence. If you are interested in attending, contact Cheryl Nabors or Janet Dejka.

Confirmation Starting September 22nd

Our fall confirmation classes start up on September 22nd. Confirmation at CoG is a two-year program – during 7th and 8th grade. During this time, our young people explore their faith and their relationship with God in today's world.

Outreach: Council Leader: Allen Kirkland

Adoption/Fostering Support Group

Adoption / Foster Support Group meeting is open to any individual, or family that has been touched by the adoption or fostering process.

You may have questions that you just do not know where or whom to ask. You never know who may need to hear your story. It just may give someone hope and strength.

Please join us on the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30 pm. E-mail for the Group: asg@crossofglory.com

PFLAG Chapter Meets September 24

Our mission is to build on a foundation of loving families united with LGBTQ people and allies who support one another, and to educate ourselves and our communities to speak up as advocates until all hearts and minds respect, value and affirm LGBTQ people.

Any questions please feel free to contact Michelle Eckmayer, President, Lisa O'Malley, Secretary or Allen Kirkland, Treasurer. E-mail is Pflag.hgl@gmail.com.

Fellowship: Council Leader: Lisa O'Malley

Kitchen Ministry

Do you love to help in the kitchen, or need service hours? How about joining our new Kitchen Ministry Team? Janet Dejka is starting this new team at Cross of Glory.

We are looking for help before, during, and after our monthly brunches, as well as for other events. The Team will also help maintain the kitchen.

Book Club Update

Our next book is *Enchantress of Numbers* by Jennifer Chiaverini. We will discuss the story on Thursday, September 26th at 7:00 pm at CoG. Everyone is welcome to read the book and join us for a lively discussion. Please contact Cheryl Nabors with any questions.

Women's November Event

Join us on November 10th, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm, for a fun evening of painting a beautiful Life Expressions Decor 4x24" sign.

When you arrive, you will choose your phrase(s) from the available inventory, choose your favorite paint color and get started painting. Once your paint has dried, you'll learn a foolproof way of applying your vinyl. At the end, you'll have made a beautiful piece to display at home or give as a gift.

Signs are \$22.00 each or if you find 3 phrases you must have, make all 3 for \$58.00. (3 for \$58 pricing available if all 3 signs are made by 1 person)

Feel free to bring a friend or 2. Hosted by Nicole Morin at Cross of Glory.

Women's Retreat – November 22nd – 23rd

The 2019 Women's Retreat will be based on the book *Girl, Wash Your Face* by Rachel Hollis. For more information, see Deb Murtaugh or Michelle Eckmayer.

Facilities: Council Leader: Bill Bavirsha

Community Meeting Space Available

We have space available for parties, banquets, meetings and wedding receptions. Contact Laura Uzzardo.

Cross of Glory has an AED!

Thanks to our recent Capital Appeal, we have been able to purchase an important, potentially life-saving addition to our facility – an automated external defibrillator. An AED is a lightweight, portable device that delivers an electric shock through the chest to the heart. Ours is in the Welcome Room, just outside the office double-doors.

Finance: Council Leader: Barb Taskay

Update on Worship & Giving

September 8th: Attendance: (83)

General Fund: \$4,436 / Capital: \$113

Give Online Using Web, Text, or App

Text giving is available by texting a dollar amount to 708-540-2650. First time givers will be directed to a web-based registration page. The **Give+ app** is also available for your phones and tablets. Search for "GivePlus Church" in your app store or get info on the web site.

Order Scrip (Gift Cards) from CoG

We have a selection of cards available for immediate purchase. Gift cards are great not only for gifts, but vacations and everyday purchases for gas and groceries. Gift cards are one way to support Cross of Glory. If you don't see what you are looking for, you can order cards and get them next Sunday. **See Cheryl or Bill Nabors for gift cards this week.**

You purchase gift cards at face value and CoG receives a percentage of the purchase. There are over 750 vendors. Pick up information in the Welcome Room.

THE WELCOME PLACE PRESCHOOL

4-year old's meet Monday, Wednesday, and Friday

3-year old's meet Tuesday & Thursday

Call (708) 301-3883

Upcoming Events (crossofglory.com/cog-calendar)

Monday.....09/16 **T.E.L.L.** resumes – 6:30 pm

Sunday09/22 **Confirmation Class** Starts – after worship

Tuesday.....09/24 **PFLAG Homer Glen / Lockport** meets at Cross of Glory – 6:30 pm

Thursday ...09/26 **Book Club Discussion of Enchantress of Numbers** by Jennifer Chiaverini – 7:00 pm

Saturday....09/28 Serve at MorningStar Mission

Monday.....10/14 **Adoption Support Group**– 6:30 pm

The monthly newsletter can be viewed at crossofglory.com/category/newsletter

Check out the Cross of Glory Web Site at www.crossofglory.com for all the latest news.