

SEPTEMBER



Faith Formation and Fall Programs

"We LOVE to watch you grow in faith!"

Welcome back to Fall Programs! We are so excited for this year!

Here at Desert Cross Lutheran Church, children, youth, and family are important to us! We want to help our families live out their Baptismal promises. We believe the "passing on of faith" is done in community—there are HUGE benefits to having all generations praying, learning, and growing together.

Join us for faith formation; where we will worship, serve, and learn together!

Begins September 7th!

****Please note Tempe times.**

Tempe:

8:45—9:15 Education

9:30-10:30 Worship

10:30 Snack & Chat Fellowship

Gilbert:

9:30-10:30 Worship

10:30-10:45 Fellowship

10:45-11:15 Education

The Education schedule will be as follows:

Tempe: The Kids will gather in the gym at 8:45 for a song and then separate Into Preschool/Kinder and elementary groups to explore the Gospel/theme of the week. Adult forums are offered at this time, as well as Littlest Lutherans for parents and their children under the age of 3.

Gilbert: Children will gather in the classroom for a song at 10:45 and then move to classrooms (Pre-K/Kinder and elementary) to explore the Gospel/theme of the week. Adult forums and Littlest Lutherans is offered at this time too!

Visit the Desert Cross website at www.desertcross.org for more info.

LEARN, GROW...GO!



Registration has begun...don't miss out on the fun!

****Please register each year for fall programming on the website: www.desertcross.org**

Thank you!!!!

**Desert Cross
Lutheran Church**

September 2025

Important dates:

- ☺ Sept. 1 —Labor Day breakfast at the park playdate
- ☺ Sept. 3 - Joyful Noises starts 9:00 Wednesdays in Gilbert
- ☺ Sept. 7—Faith Formation Education begins and teacher blessing
- Tempe 8:45-9:15 Education
- Gilbert 10:45-11:15 Education
- ☺ Sept 14—First Graders receive Bibles at worship
- ☺ Sept 14 - Kids Connect in Gilbert 1:00-2:30
- ☺ Sept 28: No Education Fall Break

Littlest Lutherans

Do you have a child or grandchild under the age of 3 years old? Join us on Sundays at "Littlest Lutherans." Parents and their little ones can join us on Sunday mornings during Education! This class allows you and your little one to grow in community and faith with others. Join us for fun and fellowship! Register on the website.



For our
"Littles"

**JOYFUL
NOISES**



Joyful Noises

For children up to age 5 years old and their caregiver
Begins September 3rd!

**Join us for interactive music, story, snack and craft!
Bring your friends!**

**Wednesdays 9:00-10:00am
(Gilbert Site- suite 104)**

Need More Info on Children's Ministry?

Check out the website for more information.
www.desertcross.org Or contact Shannon Fossett at sfossett@desertcross.org or Ari Nannenga anannenga@desertcross.org 730-8600.

YOU ARE INVITED...



September 14th

Kids Connect is September 14th from 1:00-2:30 in Gilbert suite 104. Kid ages Kindergarten-5th grade can come for a fun time of games and fellowship. Bring a friend!



Parent's Connect meets at the same time as Kids Connect. Sept. 14th 1:00-2:30. Parents will decide at drop off a restraint or place to meet.

This is a great time for parents to enjoy a time of fellowship while your kids have fun at kids connect! :)

First Grade Bibles

Sept 14th



Tempe and Gilbert Services

Bibles will be presented to 1st graders (or older kids who still need one) during the children's messages at worship on the 14th. Please email Shannon if your child will attend so she can make sure we have enough.

Faith Formation website:

DCLC has a faith formation website to help families explore faith from home or on the go. "Worship" the website to get updates and great resources!

<https://dclcfaitformation.org/>

This month's post on the "children's" page will have an article on how kids can be good neighbors.

Plus, the September Playlist "Neighbor" is up with fun activities for all ages!

Labor Day Breakfast Playdate!



Join us for a fun family gathering Sunday, September 1st at 9:00am. All are welcome!

19096 E Swan Dr. Queen Creek 85142 (There is lots of shade and a picnic ramada).



September 28th there is No Education due to Fall Break.

Mark your calendars!

Serve as a Family in Worship!

Our Desert Cross kids and families are welcomed and encouraged to participate as greeters, ushers, lectors, and prayer and song leaders!

Families, we love having you in worship...now we encourage you to be a PART of worship. There are many ways you can be involved in the service. We will show you the ropes and your kids will LOVE serving in these important roles right along side you!



Tempe: Contact Art Kryzyzewski
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Gilbert: Sharynn Jennings
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Remind App

Desert Cross Children's Ministry is continuing the use of the Remind app. If you set it up in the past you will continue to receive our messages. If you did not...please follow the instructions below. We will use it to send out notifications about upcoming events and programming. Here's how to sign up to receive these messages through text:

**Text the message @dclckids to 81010