



Please note the dates programming will NOT meet due to Fall Break and check out all the fun events happening this month.

Wow! It is so fun to have rooms with children and feel the energy on Sunday mornings! I love seeing the children in worship!

Thank you so much to all our volunteers! Your giving hearts are helping our children to grow in God's love. We are so thankful for you!

Have you filled out your registration forms on-line for Education and Children's Programs? We need new ones each year.

Registration forms can be found on the website at www.desertcross.org

Under Connect/ Children's Ministry.

Thank you!

***No Education on Sunday September 28th due to Fall Break. Take time to enjoy each other and all God has given us!**

Faith Formation Website:

Have you explored our Faith Formation website? We created this to help families explore faith from home or on the go. "Follow" the website to get updates and great resources!

<https://dclcfathformation.org/>

Currently under the "children's" page is an article on talking about tough topics with our kids. This month there will be a an article about nurturing gratitude in our kids. The theme for the playlist this month is "Gratitude."



October 5th is Sundae Sunday! Join us in the fellowship spaces at both sites following worship for sundaes and fellowship! (There will be no education this day.)

Desert Cross Lutheran Church 2025

Important dates:

- ☺ Sept 24: No Joyful Noises (Shannon out of town)
- ☺ Sept 28: No Sunday Education (Fall Break)
- ☺ Oct 5: Sundae Sunday! Fellowship Event (No Ed)
- ☺ Oct 1- No Joyful Noises (Fall Break)
- ☺ Oct 12: Kids Connect 1:00-2:30pm in Gilbert
- ☺ Oct 25: Trunk or Treat in Gilbert 5:00-7:00pm
- ☺ Nov 2: Desert Cross Serves Event

Worship and Education

We LOVE that our Desert Cross family has opportunities to worship, serve and learn together!

We love that everyone is learning together during education time. The kids begin each Sunday gathering for an opening and music. Then the kids explore the theme of the month and/or the Gospel for that Sunday in fun ways.

If you have little ones, don't forget we offer "Littlest Lutherans". Parents with children, age newborn up to three years old, 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.



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 want you 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 Krzyzewski at krzyarty@cox.net

Gilbert: Contact Sharynn Jennings sharynnj@cox.net

YOU ARE INVITED...

Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 25th

5:00-7:00 pm

Gilbert
Campus



Grab your friends and family, dress up in your costumes and come join the fun at the annual Trunk or Treat event in Gilbert!

We need lots of families to participate by decorating a trunk.

Join us for spooky fun, great food, and entertainment!

See you there for some fall fun!



Sunday October 12th

1:00-2:30

Gilbert suite 104

Kids Connect is October 12th from 1:00-2:30 in the Gilbert suite 104. Kids ages Kindergarten-5th grade can come for a fun time of games and fellowship. Bring a friend! Questions or interested: contact

Arianne Nannenga at
anannenga@desertcross.org



Parent's Connect meets at the same time at Hair of the Dog restaurant across the street! This is a great time for parents to enjoy a time of fellowship while your kids have fun at kids connect or your confirmation kids enjoy fellowship time. :)

****Confirmation Connect:**
Confirmation youth are invited to meet at the restaurant as well to have their own fellowship time.



Joyful Noises is our parent/tot program.

Join us Wednesdays in Gilbert in Suite 104 from 9:00-10:00am. Bring friends!

****We will not meet Oct 1st due to Fall Break.**



Save the Date:

November 2nd is Service Sunday
Lunches With Love

Join us at either campus after worship to put together snack bags for the needy.

The whole congregation is invited to join us to serve together.