

September

NEWSLETTER

Children's Ministry

Faith Formation

"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 13th!

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

Kids gather to explore the Gospel/Theme of the week in fun, hands-on ways.

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 child
for this year's fall
programming on the website:**

www.desertcross.org

Thank you!!!!

Faith Formation website:

DCLC has a faith formation website to help families explore faith from home or on the go.

Visit the website to get updates and great resources!

<https://dclcfathformation.org/>

This month's post on the "children's" page will have an article on how to help our kids cultivate compassion. Plus, the September Playlist "Compassion" is up with fun activities for all ages!

Important Dates

Sept. 9 – Joyful Noises starts 9:00 Wednesdays in Gilbert

Sept. 13—Faith Formation Education begins and teacher blessing
Tempe 8:45–9:15 Education
Gilbert 10:45–11:15 Education

Sept. 13– Pencil Palooza Family Event, Tempe 1:00–2:30

Sept 20—First Graders receive Bibles at worship and Kids Connect 1:00–2:30 in Gilbert

Oct 4: 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 birth 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)



September 20th

Kids Connect is September 20th from 1:00–2:30 in Gilbert suite 104.

Kids ages Kindergarten–5th grade can come for a fun time of games and fellowship. Bring a friend!

YOU ARE INVITED!



Parent's Connect meets at the same time as Kids Connect. Sept. 20th 1:00–2:30. Parents will decide at drop off a restaurant 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 20th

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 20th. Please email Shannon if your child will attend so she can make sure we have enough.

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

We use the Remind app 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



Kids are back in school and Sunday School Education starts September 13th, so we want to invite you to a family event with a point!

Come join us for Pencil-Palooza!

Sunday, September 13th

1:00-2:30pm

Tempe Community Center

Let's celebrate back to school and the start of fall programming here at Desert Cross. We will be helping kids point their prayers and praises to God as they begin the new school year!

During our event, your family will journey to our pencil-theme stations, have a fun snack, fellowship with other families, and leave with some fun goodies and more ways to extend the fun at home. Plus, you'll get a new family prayer partner!

This will be a fun afternoon for your family! Hope to see you at Pencil-Palooza!

**Please RSVP to Shannon Fossett so we can have enough supplies for everyone. sfossett@desertcross.org

