GUIDELINES FOR GREETERS

YOU ARE IMPORTANT!! PREPARE YOURSELF TO SERVE.

- Dress appropriate for our church context.
- Fresh Breath (mints or gum are helpful, or those spray things)
- Deodorant particularly if you like to hug those whom you know. NOTE: Hug only if the other person initiates.
- Prayer ask God to help you greet everyone and that all who visit may discover God.
- 1. Arrive at church at least 20 minutes before the service.
- 2. Smile and warmly greet anyone who enters the narthex. Remember, you are the first face that a person sees when they enter our church.
- 3. Offer a firm handshake and look each person in the eye.
- 4. Offer comments such as, "Good morning, we're glad you're here!" Use their name if you know it.
- 5. If the weather permits, prop the doors to the church open. An open door is more welcoming. If you would like, do not be afraid to stand outside to greet people or help them enter the building.
- 6. Do not feel like you must stand in one place while greeting. Move around the narthex and, if you have enough people, go to the parking lot door to greet persons entering as well.
- 7. Wear your nametag.
- 8. If you do not recognize someone, do not be afraid to introduce yourself by saying something like, "I don't believe I've met, I'm"
- 9. If a person identifies himself or herself as a visitor, give them a special welcome and direct them to wall between the two sets of doors where the Guest Book Stand and Visitor Shelf are located. Visitor Bags are kept on the shelf along with brochures about our church and devotional booklets. Invite the worship guest to sign the Guest Book.
- 10. Remain in the narthex until the service begins. Often there are late arrivals and we went to be sure they are welcomed also.

Remember the offering of a friendly "Hello" or "Good Morning" can be one of the most impressive things that a person will remember about their worship experience at Cross.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE WITH THIS VERY SPECIAL PART OF CROSS' OUTREACH!