



# The Sands of Time

CHRIST THE KING



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# Cross of Christ Lutheran Church & Preschool

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**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of End Time: Christ the King**

**November 21-22, 2020**

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## Welcome to Cross of Christ

**Relax.** At Cross of Christ, our worship is designed to praise God and enrich faith. We aim to make the service clear and appropriately reverent. For your convenience, the service is printed as well as projected on the screens.

**Bring the kids.** Our congregation enjoys the worshiping family. In fact, our worship often includes a children's message with little ones in mind (though these are currently on hold for health considerations). That's why children who act up are never viewed as a bother to our worship service. However, parents who want to calm a restless child may do so by walking them in the lobby. Worship screens, speakers and seating areas can be found in the lobby to assist families with their worship.

**Don't feel obligated.** Our members give offerings to the Lord as an expression of our thanks and praise for his amazing love. Visitors, please know that you are our guests. We're happy you came today to hear about Jesus and his Word. You're not expected to give an offering; it's your choice.

**Make yourself at home.** After our services, we join together in the lobby for coffee and conversation. We'd be honored if you would join us!

**Restrooms** are located to the left and right of the water fountain in the lobby.

**Questions?** If you'd like to know more about our church or our beliefs, feel free to speak with one of our pastors after the service. You will also find a summary statement of our beliefs on the lobby counter. More information is available online at [cocidaho.org](http://cocidaho.org).



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## Opening Song

## **“Immanuel’s Land”** *on the screens*

### **Welcomed into the Family of God**

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

#### **Congregation: And also with you.**

When we gather for worship, we come before the King of heaven and earth. He is a holy and all-powerful God. Yet as the sands of time keep sinking, we see a world that often doesn’t acknowledge him. In our own lives, we have not always lived to give him the glory he alone deserves. Still the King invites us to come before him and worship in the splendor of his holiness. Let’s do so by first confessing our sins and then thanking him for his amazing grace displayed at the cross.

**Holy and merciful God, I acknowledge all my sins. In so many ways, I have disobeyed you and failed to live as your child. Though my sins are like scarlet, make me white as snow. Thank you for taking my sins upon yourself and welcoming me into your holy family.**

Jesus Christ is Savior and King. He came to this earth to triumph over our sin and give us the victory by his death on the cross and his resurrection to life. By believing in Jesus, you are God’s holy, precious child. Worship the Savior King. Thank him with your life and service. Make known his glorious rule and his undying love!

**Amen!**

### **Prayer**

Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **God's Word**

## **1 Corinthians 15:20-28**

<sup>20</sup> But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup> For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. <sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. <sup>23</sup> But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. <sup>24</sup> Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death. <sup>27</sup> For he “has put everything under his feet.” Now when it says that “everything” has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ. <sup>28</sup> When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all.

## **God's Word**

## **Matthew 27:27-31**

<sup>27</sup> Then the governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. <sup>28</sup> They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, <sup>29</sup> and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand. Then they knelt in front of him and mocked him. “Hail, king of the Jews!” they said. <sup>30</sup> They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. <sup>31</sup> After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

## **Song**

## **“The Gospel Song”**

*on the screens*

## Message from God's Word

## Psalm 47

- <sup>1</sup> Clap your hands, all you nations;  
shout to God with cries of joy.
- <sup>2</sup> For the LORD Most High is awesome,  
the great King over all the earth.
- <sup>3</sup> He subdued nations under us,  
peoples under our feet.
- <sup>4</sup> He chose our inheritance for us,  
the pride of Jacob, whom he loved.
- <sup>5</sup> God has ascended amid shouts of joy,  
the LORD amid the sounding of trumpets.
- <sup>6</sup> Sing praises to God, sing praises;  
sing praises to our King, sing praises.
- <sup>7</sup> For God is the King of all the earth;  
sing to him a psalm of praise.
- <sup>8</sup> God reigns over the nations;  
God is seated on his holy throne.
- <sup>9</sup> The nobles of the nations assemble  
as the people of the God of Abraham,  
for the kings of the earth belong to God;  
he is greatly exalted.

**Sing Praises to Our King!**

**Song**

**"God, the Uncreated One"**

*on the screens*

## Statement of Faith

## The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Prayer of the Church & the Lord's Prayer

*The Lord's Prayer follows the prayer spoken by the pastor:*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## Blessing

King Jesus will protect you along life's way.

King Jesus will forgive you day by day.

King Jesus will return to take you home.

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with God's people.

**Amen!**

## Closing Song

**"Crown Him with Many Crowns"**

*Hymn 341:1,2,4*

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## Offerings

*If you would like to give an offering to support our ministry, offering plates are available in the lobby. You can also give online at [cocidaho.org/give](http://cocidaho.org/give) or contact the church office ([secretary@cocidaho.org](mailto:secretary@cocidaho.org) or 208-922-8422) to schedule a time to bring your offering to church.*

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### **Boise Campus & Preschool**

11655 W McMillan Rd  
Boise, ID 83713

### **Nampa Midweek Ministry Center**

5680 E Franklin Rd, Suite 120  
Nampa, ID 83687

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## Our Mission

*Cross of Christ congregation exists to joyously proclaim the gospel of free salvation locally and worldwide. Through God's Word and Sacraments, we strive to win lost souls for Christ and nurture believers for lives of Christian service.*

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# Cross of Christ Weekly Newsletter

## November 22, 2020

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church & Preschool (WELS)  
Church & Preschool Office - 208.375.3992 - cocidaho.org

<b>Nov 22-Nov 29</b>	<b>Boise</b>	<b>Nampa</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	8:30am - Early Worship 9:45am - Family Bible Study 11:00am - Late Worship	8:45am - Family Bible Study (JaK*s Place) 9:30am - Worship (JaK*s Place)
<b>Monday</b>		
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30pm - Cross Connections Class	
<b>Wednesday</b>		
<b>Thursday</b>	9:00am - Thanksgiving Worship	
<b>Friday</b>		
<b>Saturday</b>	6:30pm - Evening Worship w/Communion	
<b>Next Sunday</b>	8:30am - Early Worship w/Communion 9:45am - Family Bible Study 11:00am - Late Worship w/Communion	8:45am - Family Bible Study (JaK*s Place) 9:30am - Worship w/Communion (JaK*s Place)



### **Thanksgiving Worship**

How will you incorporate worshipping God into your Thanksgiving plans? In-person worship is Thanksgiving Day at 9:00 am on the Boise campus. Online worship will be available by noon that day.

## **Second Site Building Purchase**

Two Sundays ago, the Cross of Christ Voters approved the plan to move forward on the purchase of a new building for our North Nampa mission! After several months of searching for a single venue to lease that would better serve worship and all other ministry activities, we located a new building on Birch Lane (near Jak\*s Place, our current worship venue). Very quickly our attention shifted to a purchase of the building, which appeared to be more cost-effective.

For months, work has been ongoing to validate the financial feasibility for the purchase. Although the numbers are not finalized, the Church Extension Fund (CEF, WELS-affiliated lending organization) provided land and building grants that can be combined with increased subsidy from the WELS Board for Home Missions (BHM), and this financial plan, along with our Church Council's recommendation, was presented to the Voters. Our Purchase-Sell Agreement is contingent upon Voters' Approval (done), loan approval (in progress), and raising the required up-front costs and down payment (in progress). (See next announcement regarding pledges and gifts.)

Once the contingencies are met, we can close on the property (~late January) and begin the interior construction buildout (~March), with a potential occupancy in April-May. What an exciting time for the Cross of Christ's mission and our future brothers and sisters in Christ in Canyon County. We will continue to let God lead our efforts, and now look to the Cross of Christ church family to prayerfully consider sharing in the funding for this opportunity. Let's all rejoice that despite the challenges of 2020, God's people still work in joyful thanksgiving to share the gospel with the lost!

## **Pledge Drive for North Nampa Building**

Cross of Christ's building fund and pledges currently stand at \$83K (\$60K existing building fund balance, \$21K in new gifts, and \$2K in pledges) toward our total needs of \$210K. The largest portion of this amount is needed for the mid-December down payment. With this in mind, we are asking members to give directly to the building fund (by check or at [cocidaho.org/give](https://cocidaho.org/give)) or fill out a pledge form to indicate gifts to come.

*The down payment timeframe requires that all pledges be submitted by December 6 and all gifts/pledges be fulfilled by December 15.*

- In Boise: pledge card available in the lobby near the bulletin boards, place in box in same location.
- In Nampa: pledge card available with the bulletins & connection cards near the door; place in offering plate.
- Online: [tinyurl.com/2020BuildingPledge](https://tinyurl.com/2020BuildingPledge)

## Turkey Bingo, Sunday, November 22: CANCELLED

Due to Idaho Stage 2 gathering size restrictions, we will not be able to hold Turkey Bingo this Sunday. Hopefully next year!

## Sisters in Christ Activities & Opportunities

Sisters in Christ continues to plan (in hope!) a variety of events & activities over the next months, to help us stay connected to God's Word and to each other. Take a minute to check out the ideas and leave your name & contact info if you'd like to help plan or implement any of them! Online at [tinyurl.com/cocsistersignups](http://tinyurl.com/cocsistersignups) or on the Boise bulletin board. If and when we're able to proceed with one that you're interested in, you'll be contacted.

## Christmas Flowers

To honor Jesus' birth by beautifying the Boise chapel for Christmas, sign up on the lobby bulletin board to purchase flowering plants (\$6.50-\$14.00 each). Last day to request a plant is Monday, December 7. Thank you in advance for making God's house beautiful; after the last service on Christmas Eve or Day, take your plants home to enjoy! Contact Dick or Kay Guthmiller with any questions (208-850-8809).

## Christmas Worship

At Boise:

Christmas Eve, 1:00 & 3:00 pm

Christmas Day, 10:00 am

At Nampa (JaK\*s Place):

Christmas Eve, 4:30 pm

***"I am the Vine, you are the branches.  
If you remain in me and I in you,  
you will bear much fruit!"***

<b>People in God's Word this past week</b>	<b>Boise</b>	<b>Nampa</b>	<b>Total</b>
Sunday Family Bible Study	44	14	58
Cross Connections Class	6	5	11
Men's Bible Study	6		6
Growth Groups			29+
Worship	(Sat) 34 + 61 + 76 = 171	28	199

Serving	November 21-November 22		November 28-November 29	
	Nampa	Boise	Nampa	Boise
Music	Lange	Koepsell	S. Wetzel	M. Walters
AV Tech	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	J. Kennedy, C. Kennedy, A. Becker, M. Hartman	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	J. Kennedy, A. Becker, TBA, V. Watkins
Altar Care	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	McLain, Adams	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	McLain, Adams
Set-Up	Guthmiller, Harris, Olsoe	n/a	Guthmiller, Harris, Olsoe	n/a
Ushers	n/a	G. Thompson, Breckon, Manglos	n/a	G. Bafus, B. Adams, B. Turley
Sanitizing	D. Tews, J. Light	Breckon, Manglos	D. Tews, J. Light	Evans, Becker, Manglos
Coffee	Guthmiller, O'Doherty	Robbins, McLain	Guthmiller, O'Doherty	Robbins, McLain
Flowers	n/a	Dubie, DeWall	n/a	Seibel
Church Cleaners	n/a	T. Jones, M. Boltz/O. Boltz	n/a	Breckon, R&H Burke
Tellers	Harris, Turley, Morgan		Rule, Turley, Cadwell	
Bulletin Folders	Ritger, Ford, Ashley		Bafus, Guthmiller, Ritger	

<i>General Fund Offerings Planned FY 20-21</i>	<b>\$708,200</b>
General Fund Offerings Planned FYTD	<b>\$272,385</b>
General Fund Offerings FYTD	<b>\$237,277</b>
Total Offerings Last Week (All Funds)	<b>\$21,848</b>