



CROSS OF CHRIST
BOISE

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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Sixth Sunday in Lent: Palm Sunday

March 27-28, 2021

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 worshipping family. In fact, our worship often includes a children's message with little ones in mind. 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 are 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. More information is also available online at cocidaho.org.



CROSS OF CHRIST
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Late Service: Sunday School Song

“Hosanna!”

3rd-6th Grade

Opening Song

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Hymn #234:1,2,5

Confession & Absolution

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.

We are gathered in the presence of God. He is the mighty King over all creation. He made us to be his holy children and to live according to his perfect design. Coming before him would be terrifying, had we been left alone in our sins. Yet he invites us to come to him without fear. As we confess our sins, let's remember how much the King has overcome so we can, once again, be welcomed home in his family.

Holy and merciful Father, I acknowledge how broken I have been. I have sinned against you and failed to live according to your ways. Though my sins deserved punishment, I praise and thank you for taking them away. You Son suffered in my place. As I look to his cross, I see again your forgiving love.

Though he is in very nature God, Jesus made himself nothing and became a servant. He became obedient to the point that he willingly suffered death on the cross to take the punishment for all our sins. Now he is exalted in glory as the King over all creation. On behalf of the King, it is my privilege to tell you:

You are forgiven, you are loved, and you are welcomed home in God's family, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit!

Amen!

Prayer

We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

God's Word

Mark 11:1-10

¹ As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, ² saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.'"

⁴ They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, ⁵ some people standing there asked, "What are you doing, untying that colt?" ⁶ They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. ⁷ When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. ⁸ Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. ⁹ Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted,

"Hosanna!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

¹⁰ "Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!"

"Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

God's Word

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

⁶ Who, being in very nature God,
did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

⁷ rather, he made himself nothing
by taking the very nature of a servant,
being made in human likeness.

⁸ And being found in appearance as a man,
he humbled himself
by becoming obedient to death—
even death on a cross!

⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
and gave him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Late Service: Sunday School Songs “For God So Loved”
“Ho-ho-ho-hosanna”
2-year-olds - 2nd Grade

Children's Message

Song

“Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty”
Hymn #133:1,2,4

Message from God's Word

Psalm 24

¹ The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it,
the world, and all who live in it;

² for he founded it on the seas
and established it on the waters.

³ Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD?
Who may stand in his holy place?

⁴ The one who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not trust in an idol
or swear by a false god.

⁵ They will receive blessing from the LORD
and vindication from God their Savior.

⁶ Such is the generation of those who seek him,
who seek your face, God of Jacob.

⁷ Lift up your heads, you gates;
be lifted up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

⁸ Who is this King of glory?
The LORD strong and mighty,
the LORD mighty in battle.

⁹ Lift up your heads, you gates;
lift them up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

¹⁰ Who is he, this King of glory?
The LORD Almighty—
he is the King of glory.

Who Is This King of Glory?

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

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

Amen!

Closing Song

“Come, O Precious Ransom, Come”

Hymn #8:1,3,4

Cross of Christ Weekly Newsletter

March 28, 2021

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

Mar 28-Apr 4	Boise	Nampa
	8:30am - Early Worship 9:45am - Adult/Teen Bible Study 9:45am - Kids' Sunday School 11:00am - Late Worship 12:30pm - Experience Easter! 6:00pm - Ladies' Night: Pop! Bubble! Fizz!	8:45am - Family Bible Study (JaK*s Place) 9:30am - Worship (JaK*s Place)
Monday		
Tuesday	6:30pm - Cross Connections (online)	
Wednesday		
Thursday	6:30pm - Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion	<i>no Cross Connections tonight</i>
Friday	6:30pm - Good Friday Worship	
Saturday	9am-12pm - Spring Cleaning <i>no evening worship tonight</i>	
Easter Sunday!	7:00am - Easter Worship 8:00-11:00am - Donuts & coffee in the gym 8:30am - Easter Worship 10:00am - Kids' Egg Hunt 11:00am - Easter Worship	9:30am - Easter Worship (JaK*s Place)

Spring Cleanup at Boise

Polish up God's house for Easter Sunday, on **Saturday, April 3, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**. Everyone can contribute in some way, with plenty of tasks both large and small to accomplish. Will you help out? Stop in for as little or as long as you can. Kids can help, too! All supplies & instructions provided, and maybe even donuts.

Holy Week

We can't wait to celebrate Holy Week with you! *Be sure to make plans for these important celebrations – and bring a friend!* We especially encourage you to bring friends and family on Easter morning, so we're offering a third service at Boise, at 7:00 am. In Nampa we'll worship at the usual time of 9:30 am, at JaK*s Place.

Even if life is still a bit different these days, the timeless joy of Holy Week builds our faith with this simple truth: Hope is always alive since Jesus is alive!

Holy Week Worship	Boise	Nampa, at JaK*s Place
Maundy Thursday	Thursday, April 1, 6:30 pm with Holy Communion	
Good Friday	Friday, April 2, 6:30 pm	
Easter Sunday	<i>no Saturday evening service</i> Sunday, April 4 7:00, 8:30, & 11:00 am Donuts & coffee, 8:00-11:00a Kids' Egg Hunt, 10:00 am	Sunday, April 4 9:30 am

Easter Morning Breakfast & Egg Hunt at Boise

Come and enjoy extra opportunities to celebrate on Easter morning with your family in Christ on the Boise campus! There will be donuts, coffee, and lemonade available in the gym all morning, starting at 8:00am. The children are also invited to participate in an outdoor egg hunt beginning at 10:00am. The resurrection of Christ fills us with incredible joy, so we're looking forward to sharing in that joy together soon!

Easter Candy Needed

We still need quite a bit of candy for the egg hunt! Would you donate some? Please place wrapped candy in the kitchen at Boise by **Thursday, April 1**, in one of the donation boxes in the kitchen. Contact Rylie Jorgensen (ryliejorgensen819@gmail.com) with questions.

Online Worship Change

Please note that beginning the weekend after Easter (April 10-11), the worship video and resources will be emailed to you and published to cocidaho.org on Monday mornings. This change will allow greater flexibility for our volunteers and staff who consistently work to provide these digital resources. This will also allow us to pursue live stream options for Sunday mornings. We appreciate your understanding and pray that you continue to use these worship resources for yourself and share them with others. May God bless your time in His Word!

Secret Sisters

Ladies, feeling a little disconnected? Think about participating in Secret Sisters at Cross of Christ.

- You'll be assigned a fellow female member of Cross of Christ.
- From now through the end of 2021, pray for her and bless her with notes, cards, occasional small gifts, and any other form of (anonymous!) encouragement you can think of.
- Another Secret Sister will be doing the same for you!
- All ladies high school age and older are invited and encouraged to participate. Let's strengthen our bonds as members of Jesus' family!
- A "reveal" gathering will be held in December
- *Sign up by March 28* on the bulletin board at Boise OR by emailing Trista Whitaker at btwhitaker11@gmail.com. Trista can also answer any questions you might have.

Cross of Christ Preschool Tuition Discount Expires This Week!

Registration info & packets can be picked up in the church office or found online at cocidaho.org/preschool. Please complete your registration as soon as possible to assure a spot in your preferred class -- and take advantage of the *tuition discount offered before April 2!* Direct questions to Jan Perna (208-949-0851 / registrar@cocboise.org). Don't have preschool-age kids? Help spread the word about our awesome preschool!

Bible Studies Resuming the Week of April 11

- Growth Groups (see next announcement)
- Men's Bible Study (at Boise, Wednesdays at 6:30 am)
- CrossTrainers (high school students, at Boise, Wednesdays at 7:00 pm)

Growth Groups

These small group Bible studies meet at church and in members' homes to take a closer look at the previous Sunday's message and to get to know each other better. Grow together with fellow believers in Growth Group at Cross of Christ!

Groups start the week of April 11! Sign up on the lobby bulletin board at Boise or online at tinyurl.com/ggspring2021 for a day and location that works for you.

Ladies' Happy Hour

Food, drinks, and fellowship with your Sisters in Christ. Sunday, April 18, 4-6pm at The Matador in Meridian (at The Village). Bring friends!

We'll be gathering in the upper room which is accessible only by stairs. Limited to one check per table, so please be prepared to pay with cash or to reimburse a friend by Venmo, PayPal, etc.

RSVP required, on the bulletin board at Boise or online at tinyurl.com/SICMatador. Maximum of 30 guests, so don't delay! Contact person: Heidi Sullivan (heidisullivan725@gmail.com / 920-245-1423).

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

People in God's Word this past week	Boise	Nampa	Total
Sunday Morning Bible Study	56	13	69
Kids' Sunday School	25		25
Cross Connections Class	6	6	12
Women's Bible Study	9		9
Last Weekend's Worship	(Sat) 58 + 64 + 104 = 226	36	262
Lent Wednesday Worship	90		90

Serving	March 27-28		April 4	
	Nampa	Boise	Nampa	Boise
Music	S. Wetzel	K. Koepsell	S. Wetzel	K. Koepsell
AV Tech	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	A. Becker, J. Geary, M. Hartman, C/M Webber	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	J. Kennedy, A. Becker, TBA
Altar Care	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	Guthmiller, Struthers	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	Yaka, Tweedy
Set-Up & Open / Close	Guthmiller, Harris, Olsoe	H. Geary, B. Masters, R. Lange	Guthmiller, Harris, Olsoe, D. Malnes	J. Kennedy, KC Broyles
Ushers	n/a	K. Benedick, D. Rule, B. Turley	n/a	J. Breckon, D. Rule, L. Manglos, A. Broyles, TBA
Coffee	Guthmiller, Wetzel	Johnson, Struthers	Guthmiller, Wetzel	Ritger, TBA
Sanitizing	D. Tews, J. Light	O'Mallon, Rule	D. Tews, J. Light	Rule, Berrier, TBA
Flowers	n/a	Palm Sunday	n/a	Easter Sunday
Church Cleaners	n/a	Giumento, J&J Lowry	n/a	Gruenhagen, Gruenhagen-Townsend
Tellers	Turley, Cadwell, Morgan		Turley, Rule, TBA	
Bulletin Folders	Prigges, Tweedy, Foreman		Kimmel, Patrick, Whitlach	

General Fund Offerings Planned FY 20-21	\$708,200
General Fund Offerings Planned FYTD	\$517,531
General Fund Offerings FYTD	\$501,520
Total Offerings Last Week (All Funds)	\$12,865