



The New Testament
in 90 Days

CROSS OF **CHRIST**
BOISE

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 10-11, 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 worshiping family. In fact, our worship 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

Opening Song

“There Is a Redeemer”

On screens

Welcomed into the Family of God

Pastor: May 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.

Surely God is my salvation;

I will trust in him and not be afraid. (*Isaiah 12:2a*)

The LORD, the LORD himself, is my strength and my defense;

He has become my salvation. (*Isaiah 12:2b*)

Whom have I in heaven but you?

And earth has nothing I desire besides you. (*Psalms 73:25*)

My flesh and my heart may fail,

But God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. (*Psalms 73:26*)

Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

Lord of life, I confess that apart from you I was dead in sin.

For faithless worrying and selfish pride,

For sins of habit and sins of choice,

For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,

I deserved to be cast away from your presence forever.

O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, you are welcomed home in his family. God give you strength to live according to his will.

Amen!

Prayer

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

God's Word

Isaiah 35:4-7a

⁴ Say to those with fearful hearts,
"Be strong, do not fear;
your God will come,
he will come with vengeance;
with divine retribution
he will come to save you."

⁵ Then will the eyes of the blind be opened
and the ears of the deaf unstopped.

⁶ Then will the lame leap like a deer,
and the mute tongue shout for joy.
Water will gush forth in the wilderness
and streams in the desert.

⁷ The burning sand will become a pool,
the thirsty ground bubbling springs.

God's Word

Mark 7:31-37

³¹ Then Jesus left the vicinity of Tyre and went through Sidon, down to the Sea of Galilee and into the region of the Decapolis. ³² There some people brought to him a man who was deaf and could hardly talk, and they begged Jesus to place his hand on him.

³³ After he took him aside, away from the crowd, Jesus put his fingers into the man's ears. Then he spit and touched the man's tongue. ³⁴ He looked up to heaven and with a deep sigh said to him, "*Ephphatha!*" (which means "Be opened!"). ³⁵ At this, the man's ears were opened, his tongue was loosened and he began to speak plainly.

³⁶ Jesus commanded them not to tell anyone. But the more he did so, the more they kept talking about it. ³⁷ People were overwhelmed with amazement. "He has done everything well," they said. "He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

Children's Message

Song

"May the Peoples Praise You"

On screens

Message from God's Word

Acts 4:1-13

The priests and the captain of the temple guard and the Sadducees came up to Peter and John while they were speaking to the people. ²They were greatly disturbed because the apostles were teaching the people, proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead. ³They seized Peter and John and, because it was evening, they put them in jail until the next day. ⁴But many who heard the message believed; so the number of men who believed grew to about five thousand.

⁵The next day the rulers, the elders and the teachers of the law met in Jerusalem. ⁶Annas the high priest was there, and so were Caiaphas, John, Alexander and others of the high priest's family. ⁷They had Peter and John brought before them and began to question them: "By what power or what name did you do this?"

⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: "Rulers and elders of the people! ⁹If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed, ¹⁰then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. ¹¹Jesus is "the stone you builders rejected, which has become the cornerstone."

¹²Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

¹³When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.

No Other Name

Song

"The First Song of Isaiah"

On 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

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

**“Praise God from Whom
All Blessings Flow”**

On screens

Cross of Christ Weekly Newsletter

July 11, 2021

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

July 11-July 18	Boise	Nampa
Today	8:30am - Early Worship 9:45am - Adult & Teen Bible Study (Chapel) Kids' Sunday School (Gym) 11:00am - Late Worship	8:45am - Family Bible Study (JaK*s Place) 9:30am - Worship (JaK*s Place)
Monday	9:00am - Vacation Bible School	
Tuesday	9:00 am - Vacation Bible School	
	6:30pm - Cross Connections (Online)	
Wednesday	9:00am - Vacation Bible School	
Thursday	9:00am - Vacation Bible School	
Friday		
Saturday	6:30pm - Evening Worship w/Communion	
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Pray for Vacation Bible School!

This week we embark on an exciting railroad journey here on the Boise campus – through some pretty cool Bible stories that will teach and encourage us with God’s love and power! *Would you pray for the kids attending and the teens & adults serving?* Ask God to bless each activity with effectiveness, fun, and a clear message of the gospel, and each individual with a great week and strengthened trust in him!

Sisters in Christ Hike

Spend time outdoors with friends and enjoy the beautiful views of Bethine Church River Trail! This is a 1-hour hike, 2.8 miles out and back, on the flat riverside path. Please bring water and proper footwear.

- Saturday, July 17, 9:00 am
- Meet at Baggley Park (1411 E. River Run Rd., East Boise)

We’ll meet under the picnic shelter (near parking lot and basketball/tennis courts) and have a quick devotion. The walk will begin and end at the park. Easy hike/walk, no hills, pedestrian only. Please RSVP on the sign-up sheet on the lobby bulletin board at Boise, or by emailing saramanglos@hotmail.com. For questions, please contact Sara or Ailie Manglos at 208-602-8329.

Next Playgroup in the Park

Wednesday, July 21, 10:30 am - 12:00 pm, Optimist Park in Nampa. All are welcome for games & activities, snacks, and bounce house! No cost, registration appreciated for planning purposes: cocidaho.org/connect/playgroup-in-the-park. Invite some friends! This is a fun and easy way to introduce people to our ministry in Nampa.

Sisters in Christ Ladies Paint Night

Join us at Cross of Christ Boise campus, Friday, July 23, 6:30-8:30pm. Bring food/drink to share and enjoy an evening of socializing and guided creativity! \$15 per person, payable at the event. Please RSVP by July 18 to reserve your spot, on the lobby bulletin board at Boise or by emailing secretary@cocidaho.org. Invite a friend!

North Nampa Ministry Meeting

Saturday, July 24, 9:00 am at the Wetzel home, with breakfast. All are welcome to discuss, evaluate, and plan ministry activities in our Nampa community! Please RSVP to Pastor Wetzel (kurt.wetzel@cocidaho.org).

July Grocery Outreach: Nampa

Saturday, July 24, 10:30 am starting from the Wetzel home in Nampa. Sign up (tinyurl.com/CoCGOJuly21) to DONATE and/or DELIVER free groceries to members of our community who could use a bit of assistance and encouragement!

Seeking Donations for Camp Christos

Here's a simple, helpful way to make a difference for our kids and teens at Camp Christos in August: donate some food items! A sign-up list of non-perishable food donations that are needed can be found on the lobby bulletin board at Boise or online here: tinyurl.com/campchristos2021. Your support is greatly appreciated! Please deliver items to the Boise campus kitchen any time before July 26.

National Night Out in Nampa!

Save the date: Tuesday, August 3, 5:00 pm - dusk at Orah Brandt Park. So much cool stuff in the works! Make plans to come on out!

Youth Confirmation Class

Confirmation class begins September 12. Confirmation class is designed to help parents of our congregation educate their junior high children in basic doctrinal truths and prepare them for God-pleasing reception of the Lord's Supper.

We have had to rethink how we do confirmation class at Cross of Christ, because prioritizing multi-site ministry that fosters unity and a feeling of one congregation across two locations means that on most Sundays we have two pastors in Nampa during the Boise education hour.

Confirmation class will consist of weekly classes at both locations, homework lessons that allow for parental involvement, online quizzes, and some long-term assignments. **If you have a child 7th grade or older and would like to begin Confirmation class, contact Pastor Snyder** to arrange a meeting at church or at your home to get started (208-996-0862, brad.snyder@cocboise.org).

Opportunity to Serve

One of the ways we practice hospitality and welcome all worshipers on the Boise campus is by providing Sunday morning coffee! We're currently in need of a few more volunteers to help with this coffee service (set-up & clean-up) on Sunday mornings. Volunteers typically serve for a month at a time, 3-4 months per year. All training is provided; it's an easy but valuable role! If you're interested and willing to serve in this way, contact Ruby Ritger at 208-921-2803 or rbyritger@gmail.com.

*“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 Adult/Teen Bible Study	18	27	45
Kids’ Sunday School	14		14
Cross Connections Class (online)			10
Last Weekend’s Worship	184	63	247

<i>General Fund Offerings Planned FY 21-22</i>	<i>\$739,167</i>
General Fund Offerings Planned FYTD	\$14,215
General Fund Offerings FYTD	\$8,192
Total Offerings Last Week (All Funds)	\$8,193

Offerings

If you would like to give an offering to support gospel ministry at Cross of Christ, offering plates are available in the lobby. You can also give online at cocidaho.org/give or contact the church office (secretary@cocidaho.org or 208-375-3992) to schedule a time to bring your offering to the office.

Serving	July 10-11		July 17-18	
	Nampa	Boise	Nampa	Boise
Music	R. Dodd	K. Koepsell	S. Wetzel	K. Koepsell
AV Tech	J. Malnes, S. Tews	C. Kennedy, A. Becker, C/M Webber, TBA	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	A. Becker, M. Hartman, TBA
Altar Care	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	T. Yaka, A. Tweedy	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	T. Yaka, A. Tweedy
Set-Up	Guthmiller, Harris, Olsoe	n/a	Guthmiller, Harris, Olsoe	n/a
Ushers	n/a	Bafus, Hibbs, R. Seely	J. Harris	T. Stavenau, D. Rule, B. Adams, H. Geary, J&N Trentz
Coffee	Guthmiller, Wetzel	R. Ritger	Guthmiller, Wetzel	R. Ritger
Sanitizing	D. Tews, J. Light	O'Mallon, Hibbs, McLain	D. Tews, J. Light	Rule, McLain
Flowers	n/a	Masters	n/a	n/a
Church Cleaners	n/a	Admin, D&L Malnes	n/a	T&C Masters, B&J Masters
Tellers	Harris, Morford, Rule		Turley, Morgan, Morford	
Bulletin Folders	Bafus, Guthmiller, Ritger		Prigges, Tweedy, Foreman	
Lawn Crew	J. Trentz, B. Whitaker		M. Johnson, N. Tessmer	

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.