



The New Testament  
in 90 Days

**CROSS** OF **CHRIST**  
BOISE

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# Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 17-18, 2021

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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 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](http://cocidaho.org).



**CROSS OF CHRIST**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday 11:00AM

Vacation Bible School Songs

*“The Lord Is My Helper”*

*“Your Power Will Pull Us Through”*

Opening Song

“By Grace I’m Saved”

*Hymn #384:1,2,4*

## Welcomed into the Family of God

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen.**

There are times when the storms in life rage. There are times when fear becomes overwhelming. There are times when danger and worries are too much for us. When God welcomes us into his family, he invites us to take shelter in his presence. When we come to worship him, we acknowledge our sins. As we do, Christ shows himself to be the perfect Savior to overcome our greatest danger. He shows himself to be sufficient for our every need.

Together we pray:

**Father in heaven, I am needy and broken. By myself, I am too weak to face all that life will send me. Worst of all, my sins destroyed our relationship, and deserved unending punishment in hell. But you gave your Son for me. Thank you for saving and protecting me. Help me trust in you through the storms of life, and constantly find my forgiveness at the cross of Christ.**

When God sent his Son, Jesus, he came to overcome our greatest threats. He took the punishment of hell by dying for our sins and rising to life. He stands at the ready to protect you today from the attacks of sin and the devil. He lives to give you courage even as you face death. In the name of Jesus, your mighty Savior, you are forgiven! You are loved by God. Settle in with Jesus and his family as you rest safely in his loving care.

**Amen!**

## Prayer

O Lord, our God, govern the nations on earth and direct the affairs of this world so that your Church may worship you in peace and joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## God's Word

## Proverbs 30:4-5

<sup>4</sup> “Who has gone up to heaven and come down?  
Whose hands have gathered up the wind?  
Who has wrapped up the waters in a cloak?  
Who has established all the ends of the earth?  
What is his name, and what is the name of his son?  
Surely you know!

<sup>5</sup> “Every word of God is flawless;  
he is a shield to those who take refuge in him.”

## God's Word

## Mark 4:35-41

<sup>35</sup> That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, “Let us go over to the other side.” <sup>36</sup> Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. <sup>37</sup> A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. <sup>38</sup> Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, “Teacher, don't you care if we drown?”

<sup>39</sup> He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, “Quiet! Be still!” Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

<sup>40</sup> He said to his disciples, “Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?”

<sup>41</sup> They were terrified and asked each other, “Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!”

## Children's Message

### Song

### “If God Himself Be for Me”

*Hymn #419:1,2,6,7*

### Message from God's Word

### Acts 27:13-26

<sup>13</sup> When a gentle south wind began to blow, they saw their opportunity; so they weighed anchor and sailed along the shore of Crete. <sup>14</sup> Before very long, a wind of hurricane force, called the Northeaster, swept down from the island.

<sup>15</sup> The ship was caught by the storm and could not head into the wind; so we gave way to it and were driven along. <sup>16</sup> As we passed to the lee of a small island called Cauda, we were hardly able to make the lifeboat secure, <sup>17</sup> so

the men hoisted it aboard. Then they passed ropes under the ship itself to hold it together. Because they were afraid they would run aground on the sandbars of Syrtis, they lowered the sea anchor and let the ship be driven along. <sup>18</sup> We took such a violent battering from the storm that the next day they began to throw the cargo overboard. <sup>19</sup> On the third day, they threw the ship's tackle overboard with their own hands. <sup>20</sup> When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days and the storm continued raging, we finally gave up all hope of being saved.

<sup>21</sup> After they had gone a long time without food, Paul stood up before them and said: “Men, you should have taken my advice not to sail from Crete; then you would have spared yourselves this damage and loss. <sup>22</sup> But now I urge you to keep up your courage, because not one of you will be lost; only the ship will be destroyed. <sup>23</sup> Last night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve stood beside me <sup>24</sup> and said, ‘Do not be afraid, Paul. You must stand trial before Caesar; and God has graciously given you the lives of all who sail with you.’ <sup>25</sup> So keep up your courage, men, for I have faith in God that it will happen just as he told me. <sup>26</sup> Nevertheless, we must run aground on some island.”

### **Christian Courage**

## Statement of Faith

## The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. 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.**

## The Lord's Supper

God's Word speaks of the spiritual blessings of this Sacrament (Mt. 26:28) and warns against the spiritual dangers of being unprepared for this holy meal (1 Cor. 11:27-29). Because we deeply care about you and don't want to see anyone's faith harmed, we ask that if you have not studied with us or spoken with our pastors first, that you refrain from joining in the Sacrament today. We are not judging your love for Jesus but rather displaying loving caution for all involved. Please feel free to ask one of our pastors if you have questions. We are eager to listen and share over an open Bible.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us, and grant us your peace. Amen.**

Song During Communion

**"Draw Near and Take  
the Body of the Lord"**

*Hymn #309*

Blessing

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

**Amen!**

Closing Song

**"Christ, the Sure and Steady Anchor"**

*On the screens*

# Cross of Christ Weekly Newsletter

## July 18, 2021

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

<b>July 18-July 25</b>	<b>Boise</b>	<b>Nampa</b>
Today	8:30am - Early Worship w/Communion 9:45am - Adult & Teen Bible Study (Chapel) Kids' Sunday School (Gym) 11:00am - Late Worship w/Communion	8:45am - Family Bible Study (JaK*s Place) 9:30am - Worship (JaK*s Place)
Monday	6:00pm - Council Meeting	
Tuesday	6:00pm - Cross Connections (online)	
Wednesday		10:30am - Playgroup in the Park (Optimist Park)
Thursday		
Friday	6:30pm - Sisters in Christ Paint Night	
Saturday	6:30pm - Evening Worship	9:00am - North Nampa Ministry Meeting 10:30am - Grocery Outreach
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### **Vacation Bible School Thank You!**

What an amazing week we had celebrating and having our hearts encouraged by God's power – his power FOR us to save us, and IN us to help us follow him! A huge THANK YOU to everyone who made this week possible: by donating, loaning, cleaning, creating, building, decorating, setting up & taking down, rearranging furniture, serving food, planning, printing, teaching, guiding, playing, taking photos, acting, leading, smiling, singing, laughing, praying, and LOVING all these kids with the love of Jesus. Each of you is a gift to God's kingdom and to Cross of Christ.

### **Next Playgroup in the Park This Week!**

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](http://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 this Sunday, July 18* to reserve your spot, on the lobby bulletin board at Boise or sign up online at <https://tinyurl.com/sicpaintnight2021>. 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](mailto: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](http://tinyurl.com/CoCGOJuly21)) to DONATE and/or DELIVER free groceries to members of our community who could use a bit of assistance and encouragement!

### **Cross of Christ Gear - Deadline Extended!**

Did you miss it before? The deadline to purchase some Cross-of-Christ-branded apparel & gear has been extended through August 1! Check out the links in the Friday e-newsletter for viewing & ordering items. You will pay online when you order. Items will be shipped to Cross of Christ after August 1. You'll be notified

when your order is ready for pick-up at Cross of Christ Boise. Questions, issues, or haven't seen the email? Contact Alyssa Becker ([secretary@cocidah.org](mailto:secretary@cocidah.org)).

### **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](http://tinyurl.com/campchristos2021). Your help is greatly appreciated! Deliver items to the Boise campus kitchen any time before July 26.

### **National Night Out in Nampa!**

Tuesday, August 3, 5:00 pm - dusk at Orah Brandt Park (7999 Cherry Ln). Make plans to come on out for food trucks, fire & police representatives, games, and more! Invite friends!

### **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](mailto: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](mailto: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!”*

General Fund Offerings Planned FY 21-22	\$739,167
General Fund Offerings Planned FYTD	\$28,430
General Fund Offerings FYTD	\$22,087
Total Offerings Last Week (All Funds)	\$14,134

<b>People in God’s Word this past week</b>	<b>Boise</b>	<b>Nampa</b>	<b>Total</b>
Sunday Morning Adult/Teen Bible Study	38	19	57
Kids’ Sunday School	16		16
Cross Connections Class (online)	10		10
Last Weekend’s Worship	180	48	228

## 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](http://cocidaho.org/give) or contact the church office ([secretary@cocidaho.org](mailto:secretary@cocidaho.org) or 208-375-3992) to schedule a time to bring your offering to the Boise campus.*

## 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.*

Serving	July 17-18		July 25-26	
	Nampa	Boise	Nampa	Boise
Music	S. Wetzel	K. Koepsell	K. Koepsell	A. Lange
AV Tech	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	E. Christianson, A. Becker, M. Hartman, L. Boesch	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	E. Christianson, C. Mitten, J. Meier, 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	J. Harris	T. Stavenau, B. Walters, D. Rule, B. Adams, H. Geary, J&N Trentz	J. Harris	K. Benedick R. Hibbs J&N Trentz
Coffee	Guthmiller, Wetzel	R. Ritger	Guthmiller, Wetzel	R. Ritger
Sanitizing	D. Tews, J. Light	Rule, McLain	D. Tews, J. Light	Benedick, Hibbs
Flowers	n/a	n/a	n/a	Rule
Church Cleaners	n/a	T&C Masters, B&J Masters	n/a	Admin, J. Morgan
Tellers	Turley, Morgan, Morford		Rule, Walden, Cadwell	
Bulletin Folders	Prigges, Tweedy, Foreman		Kimmel, Patrick, Whitlach	
Lawn Crew	M. Johnson, N. Tessmer		R. Ochoa, M. Burke	