



The New Testament  
in 90 Days

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

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# Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

July 31 - August 1, 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).



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## Opening Song

## “Amazing Grace”

*Hymn #379:1-3*

### Welcomed into the Family of God

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

**Congregation: Amen.**

God is good. We have come to worship him. God is generous. We come to thank him for his many gifts. God is gracious and compassionate. We come to seek his help when we are weary and burdened. God invites us to come into his presence. We may do this only through the forgiveness of our sins. As we confess our sins, we take time to recall just how much God overcame so we can be welcomed home in his family.

**Holy and merciful Father in heaven, I confess my many sins. In my thoughts, words, and actions, I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. My sins deserved your just punishment, now and forever. I am sorry for my sins. I look to the cross of Christ, and trust in him alone for pardon and forgiveness.**

In amazing grace, God’s love moved him to give his only Son, Jesus, to become the sacrifice who was punished for our sins. His death and resurrection have removed your guilt once and for all. The generous outpouring of his love at your baptism has washed your sins away forever. Settle in with Jesus and his family. Because of him, you are God’s holy child!

**Amen!**

### Prayer

God of heaven and earth, all things come from you. You have lavished upon your people goodness and blessings we never deserved. Teach us to receive your blessings with such thanksgiving that we in turn generously share your goodness with others until that day we enjoy the very riches of heaven; 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

## Exodus 16:11-18

<sup>11</sup> The LORD said to Moses, <sup>12</sup> "I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, 'At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God.'"

<sup>13</sup> That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup> When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. <sup>15</sup> When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was.

Moses said to them, "It is the bread the LORD has given you to eat. <sup>16</sup> This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Everyone is to gather as much as they need. Take an omer for each person you have in your tent.'"

<sup>17</sup> The Israelites did as they were told; some gathered much, some little. <sup>18</sup> And when they measured it by the omer, the one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little. Everyone had gathered just as much as they needed.

## God's Word

## Mark 12:41-44

<sup>41</sup> Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. <sup>42</sup> But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

<sup>43</sup> Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. <sup>44</sup> They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on."

## Children's Message

## Song

## "Jesus, Your Boundless Love to Me"

*Hymn #479:1-3; alternate tune*

## Message from God's Word

## 2 Corinthians 8:1-15

<sup>1</sup> And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. <sup>2</sup> In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. <sup>3</sup> For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, <sup>4</sup> they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people. <sup>5</sup> And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us. <sup>6</sup> So we urged Titus, just as he had earlier made a beginning, to bring also to completion this act of grace on your part. <sup>7</sup> But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

<sup>8</sup> I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. <sup>9</sup> For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

<sup>10</sup> And here is my judgment about what is best for you in this matter. Last year you were the first not only to give but also to have the desire to do so. <sup>11</sup> Now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to your means. <sup>12</sup> For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have.

<sup>13</sup> Our desire is not that others might be relieved while you are hard pressed, but that there might be equality. <sup>14</sup> At the present time your plenty will supply what they need, so that in turn their plenty will supply what you need. The goal is equality, <sup>15</sup> as it is written: "The one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little."

### Driven to Give

## 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.

Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, it is right for us to always give you thanks, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all believers on earth and with the hosts of heaven, in thanks we praise your holy name:

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty! The whole earth is full of his glory!**

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

**"Soul, Adorn Yourself  
with Gladness"**

*Hymn #311:1,2,6,7*

## 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

**“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”**

*Hymn #332:1-3*

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## 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 drop your offering off during the week.*

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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

## August 1, 2021

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

<b>Aug 1-Aug 8</b>	<b>Boise</b>	<b>Nampa</b>
Sunday <i>(Camp Christos through Friday)</i>	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 w/Communion (JaK*s Place)
Monday		
Tuesday		5:00 pm - National Night Out! (Orah Brandt Park)
	6:30pm - Cross Connections (online)	
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday	6:30pm - Evening Worship	
Sunday	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)

### **Coffee Service Volunteer Still Needed**

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 [rubyritger@gmail.com](mailto:rubyritger@gmail.com).

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

This coming 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, music, games, and more! Invite friends and stop in to meet new neighbors as we connect with our community with the love of Christ.

### **Cross of Christ Gear - Deadline THIS SUNDAY**

THIS SUNDAY, August 1, is the final deadline to purchase some Cross-of-Christ-branded apparel & gear! Check out the links in the Friday e-newsletter for viewing & ordering items or go to [tinyurl.com/crossofchristgear](http://tinyurl.com/crossofchristgear). 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@cocidaho.org](mailto:secretary@cocidaho.org)).

### **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.

Confirmation class will consist of weekly Sunday 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)).

**Cross of Christ Preschool** has openings for the 2021/2022 school year! There are spots available in the following classes:

- 4/5- year-old, Mon/Wed/Fri mornings, 9:00-11:30 am
- 3/4/5- year-old, Tues/Thurs afternoons, 1:00-3:30 pm
- 3/4/5- year-old, Mon/Wed/Fri afternoons, 1:00-3:30 pm

SHARE this info with friends & acquaintances!

REGISTER online at [cocidaho.org/preschool](http://cocidaho.org/preschool) or get a packet from the office.

CONTACT Jan Perna (208-949-0851 or [registrar@cocboise.org](mailto:registrar@cocboise.org)) with questions.

### **Professional Christian Counseling at Cross of Christ**



Christian Family Solutions provides professional Christian counseling services at Cross of Christ. Openings are available in-person on the Boise campus or via secure video connection right from the privacy of your own home through their Telehealth program. Contact Amanda Cadwell, LPC, DCC ([acadwell@wlcfs.org](mailto:acadwell@wlcfs.org), 208-293-9744) for more information.

To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-438-1772, email [cfc@wlcfs.org](mailto:cfc@wlcfs.org), or visit [www.ChristianFamilySolutions.org](http://www.ChristianFamilySolutions.org) and click "Request Appointment" on the top of the homepage.

*"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	\$58,859
General Fund Offerings FYTD	\$42,158
Total Offerings Last Week (All Funds)	\$8,301

<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	31	19	50
Kids' Sunday School	14		14
Cross Connections (online & individual)	9		9
Last Weekend's Worship	175	54	229

<b>Serving</b>	<b>July 31-Aug 1</b>		<b>Aug 7-Aug 8</b>	
	<b>Nampa</b>	<b>Boise</b>	<b>Nampa</b>	<b>Boise</b>
Music	K. Koepsell	M. Walters	A. Lange	K. Koepsell
AV Tech	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	J. Kennedy, A. Becker, J. Meier	J. Malnes, G. Light	J. Kennedy, A. Becker, TBA
Altar Care	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	D. McLain, K. Adams	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	D. McLain, K. Adams
Set-Up	Guthmiller, Harris, Olsoe	n/a	Guthmiller, Harris, Olsoe	n/a
Ushers	J. Harris	G. Bafus Berrier, B. Turley	n/a	G. Bafus, Berrier, L. Manglos
Coffee	Guthmiller, Wetzel	B. Robbins, D. McLain	Guthmiller, Wetzel	B. Robbins, D. McLain
Flowers	Q. Nordick	Rule	n/a	M. Walters
Church Cleaners	n/a	Meier, McLain	n/a	Admin, L&J Shaw
Bulletin Folders	Ritger, Ford, Ashley		Bafus, Guthmiller	
Lawn Crew	Team Perna		J. Harris, P. Jossis	
Tellers	Turley, Walden, Morgan		Harris, Walden, Cadwell	