



Who Told
You That?

CROSS OF **CHRIST**
BOISE

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 9-10, 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 (6:30 pm and 8:30 am)

“Day by Day”

On screens

Opening Song (11:00 am)

“Jesus, Strong and Kind”

On screens

Welcomed into the Family of God

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

Congregation: Amen

Our God invites us to come into his presence openly and honestly. There is no need to hide any part of us because all of who we are is seen by him. Therefore, let us come before our Lord as we are, acknowledging our sinfulness and trusting in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I do not always put my trust in you. Instead, I often doubt your promises and pursue other paths that take me from your side. Yet, you have not hidden your face from me. You rescued me through the cross of Christ. May I daily live in the peace of your unfailing love.

God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. He eagerly welcomes us home into his family of grace and clothes us with the righteousness of Christ himself.

Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Settle in with Jesus and his family, equally loved and accepted.

Amen!

Prayer

God, our refuge and strength, have mercy on your Church, as we come in prayer before you. Answer us not in judgment on our sins, but in peace and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

God's Word

Mark 14:32-42

³² They went to a place called Gethsemane, and Jesus said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." ³³ He took Peter, James and John along with him, and he began to be deeply distressed and troubled. ³⁴ "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death," he said to them. "Stay here and keep watch."

³⁵ Going a little farther, he fell to the ground and prayed that if possible the hour might pass from him. ³⁶ "Abba, Father," he said, "everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."

³⁷ Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Simon," he said to Peter, "are you asleep? Couldn't you keep watch for one hour?"

³⁸ Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

³⁹ Once more he went away and prayed the same thing. ⁴⁰ When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. They did not know what to say to him.

⁴¹ Returning the third time, he said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Enough! The hour has come. Look, the Son of Man is delivered into the hands of sinners. ⁴² Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!"

God's Word

Romans 8:18-30

¹⁸ I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.

²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. ²³ Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

²⁶ In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. ²⁷ And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.

²⁸ And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. ³⁰ And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

Children's Message

Song

"Be Still My Soul"

Hymn #415: 1,2,4

Are Christians Always Happy?

¹ LORD, hear my prayer,
listen to my cry for mercy;
in your faithfulness and
righteousness
come to my relief.

² Do not bring your servant into
judgment,
for no one living is
righteous before you.

³ The enemy pursues me,
he crushes me to the ground;
he makes me dwell in the darkness
like those long dead.

⁴ So my spirit grows faint within me;
my heart within me is dismayed.

⁵ I remember the days of long ago;
I meditate on all your works
and consider what your hands
have done.

⁶ I spread out my hands to you;
I thirst for you like a parched land.

⁷ Answer me quickly, LORD;
my spirit fails.

Do not hide your face from me
or I will be like those who go down
to the pit.

⁸ Let the morning bring me word of
your unfailing love,
for I have put my trust in you.
Show me the way I should go,
for to you I entrust my life.

⁹ Rescue me from my
enemies, LORD,
for I hide myself in you.

¹⁰ Teach me to do your will,
for you are my God;
may your good Spirit
lead me on level ground.

¹¹ For your name's sake, LORD,
preserve my life;
in your righteousness, bring me
out of trouble.

¹² In your unfailing love, silence my
enemies;
destroy all my foes,
for I am your servant.

Song

“Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near”

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 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

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

Hymn #451

Silent Prayer

God, our refuge and strength, thank you for being present with me in all of my struggles and for listening to my pleas. Fill me with trust in you and grant me peace, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Cross of Christ Weekly Newsletter

October 10, 2021

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

Oct 10-Oct 17	Boise	Nampa
Sunday	8:30am - Early Worship 9:45am - Adult Bible Study (Chapel) Teen Class (Conf Rm) Kids' Sunday School (Gym & Classrooms) Confirmation 11:00am - Late Worship	8:45am - Family Bible Study (JaK*s Place) 9:30am - Worship (JaK*s Place)
Monday	10:00am - Women's Bible Study	
Tuesday	6:30pm - Cross Connections 6:30pm - Women's Bible Study	
Wednesday	6:30am - Men's Bible Study 7:00pm - CrossTrainers	
Thursday	7:00pm - GriefShare	
	6:30pm - Cross Connections Online	
Friday		
Saturday	9:00am - Fall Cleaning 6:30pm - Evening Worship w/Communion	
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How to Participate in Ministry Evaluation Sessions

The leadership of Cross of Christ would like to hear from YOU about the state of ministry for our multi-site church family. As we look at shaping our long-range ministry goals and strategies, we'd like to first evaluate the way we're currently conducting every aspect of our multi-site ministry. What are you really thankful for at Cross of Christ? What have you been hoping to see done differently? A wide variety of perspectives will surely be a blessing during this evaluation, and so we'd like to enable the participation of our adult members in the following ways:

Ministry evaluation discussions will be conducted throughout October and November in small groups of twelve. **An online sign-up for these groups is now available at cocidaho.org/ministry-evaluation.** You can also find the direct link in the weekly member emails. After registering for a session, you'll be sent an evaluation form to fill out ahead of your scheduled meeting.

If the online sign up does not work for you, please contact the church office for assistance (secretary@cocidaho.org). Additionally, if this schedule is a barrier for your participation, please also contact the church office or Pastor Hein directly (greg.hein@cocidaho.org) in order to determine possible solutions.

This ministry is your ministry, so plan to participate in one of these important discussions as we seek to glorify God in the best ways possible now and for generations to come!

Boise Campus Fall Cleaning: NEXT Saturday, October 16

Be one of the helpful many **anytime between 9am-12pm**, to give our Savior's house a thorough cleaning! Fresh donuts and coffee will greet you as you peruse the tasks to be done, supplies & instructions provided. (Exception: Bring your own work gloves if you want to help with outside tasks.)

October Sunday School Offering

Sunday School Offerings Sunday school offerings for the month of October will be non-perishable food items for the Idaho Foodbank. If you'd like to donate, bring your food items with you to Sunday school and place them in the receptacle.

Monetary offerings brought to Sunday school in October will continue to be given to Branch Lutheran Schools in Haiti, which was designated as the recipient of September Sunday school offerings.

Worship Live Stream

Cross of Christ is now live streaming the 8:30 am worship service from the Boise campus, at cocidaho.org/livestream.

In order to provide an online way to worship along with your church family, we are now providing a live stream each Sunday morning. It's our prayer that even if health concerns or distance make it difficult to gather in person, you can still gather with the body of Christ online to be encouraged in your faith.

The live stream page will also be linked on the cocidaho.org home page. Service recordings will continue to be archived at cocidaho.org/worship-resources and emailed to members on Mondays.

Current Worship Series: Who told you *that* about Christianity?

Let's tackle misconceptions about our faith during our new worship series. We'll do this as we analyze some sayings and "truisms" that are sometimes attributed to Christians...or are even said by Christians themselves. Don't miss out on this great new series and be sure to tell your family, friends, and neighbors about it too!

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, LPCC, BC-TMH (acadwell@wlcfs.org, 262-293-9744) for more information.

To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-438-1772, email cfc@wlcfs.org, or visit www.ChristianFamilySolutions.org and click "Request Appointment" on the top of the homepage.

Pacific Northwest District Pastor/Teacher Conference

Pastors Steinbrenner (PNW President), Snyder, Hein, and Wetzel will be traveling to Leavenworth, WA, this coming week for the fall Pastor/Teacher/Staff Minister Conference. God's blessings to them during their travels and collaboration with other PNW called workers!

Fall Festival: Save the Date – Sunday, October 31, 12:30-2:30!

Lots of fun activities planned! Everyone is welcome, so be sure to invite your friends! More information to come!

***“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	\$199,007
General Fund Offerings FYTD	\$187,224
Total Offerings Last Week (All Funds)	\$24,054

People in God’s Word this past week	Boise	Nampa	Total
Sunday Morning Adult/Teen Bible Study	43	24	67
Men’s Bible Study/Women’s Bible Study	5/7		12
Kids’ Sunday School/Confirmation	41/11		52
Cross Connections (online & individual)		12	12
Growth Groups		34	34
Last Weekend’s Worship	209	56	265

Serving	Oct 9-Oct 10		Oct 16-Oct 17	
	Nampa	Boise	Nampa	Boise
Music	J. Lowry	J. Hein, K. Koepsell	J. Hein	A. Lange
AV Tech	J. Malnes, S. Tews	J. Meier, A. Becker, E. Christianson	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	L. Boesch, E. Christianson, M. Hartman, TBA
Altar Care	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	T. Yaka	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	T. Yaka
Set-Up	Guthmiller, Harris, Olsoe	n/a	Guthmiller, Harris, Olsoe	n/a
Ushers	n/a	G. Bafus J. Berrier, C. Berrier, B. Walters	J. Harris	J. Berrier, C. Berrier, H. Geary, B. Turley
Open & Close	Malnes	R. Ochoa, M. Johnson, TBA	Olsoe	W. Ehlke, L. Shaw, KC Broyles
Coffee	Guthmiller, Wetzel	R. Ritger	Guthmiller, Wetzel	R. Ritger
Flowers	n/a	Tiffany	n/a	Loring
Church Cleaners	n/a	D&L Rule, Admin	n/a	Fall Cleaning
Bulletin Folders	Prigges, Foreman		Kimmel, Whitlach, Ritger	
Lawn Crew	R. Ochoa, N. Tessmer		J. Harris, P. Jossis	
Tellers	Harris, Cadwell		Turley, Morgan, Harris	