



Who Told
You That?

CROSS OF **CHRIST**
BOISE

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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22nd Sunday after Pentecost

October 23-24, 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

Welcomed into the Family of God

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

Congregation: Amen.

Surely it is God who saves me;

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

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,

And he will be my Savior. *(Isaiah 12:2b)*

Whom have I in heaven but you?

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

My flesh and my heart may fail,

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

Song

“The First Song of Isaiah”

On screens

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!

Song

“The First Song of Isaiah”

On screens

Prayer

Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; 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

Joshua 6:1-5

Now the gates of Jericho were securely barred because of the Israelites. No one went out and no one came in. ² Then the LORD said to Joshua, "See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and its fighting men. ³ March around the city once with all the armed men. Do this for six days. ⁴ Have seven priests carry trumpets of rams' horns in front of the ark. On the seventh day, march around the city seven times, with the priests blowing the trumpets. ⁵ When you hear them sound a long blast on the trumpets, have the whole army give a loud shout; then the wall of the city will collapse and the army will go up, everyone straight in."

God's Word

Mark 4:35-41

³⁵ That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side." ³⁶ Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. ³⁷ A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. ³⁸ 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?"

³⁹ He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm. ⁴⁰ He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

⁴¹ They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

Children's Message

Song

“Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near”

On screens

Message from God’s Word

2 Corinthians 12:6-10

⁶ Even if I should choose to boast, I would not be a fool, because I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain, so no one will think more of me than is warranted by what I do or say, ⁷ or because of these surpassingly great revelations. Therefore, in order to keep me from becoming conceited, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. ⁸ Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. ⁹ But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me. ¹⁰ That is why, for Christ’s sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

God Won’t Give You More Than You Can Handle?

Song

“He Will Hold Me Fast”

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

"Jesus Loves Me"

On screens

Silent Prayer

O Lord, you are my stronghold and defense. Thank you for lifting the weight of shame from my shoulders through Christ, so I can freely admit my fragility and need. While I may face much in my life that is more than I can handle, I put my trust in you, knowing that nothing is more than you can handle. Amen.

Cross of Christ Weekly Newsletter

October 24, 2021

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

| Oct 24-Oct 31 | Boise | Nampa |
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| 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 6:30pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm - CrossTrainers | |
| Thursday | 7:00pm - GriefShare | |
| | 6:30pm - Cross Connections Online | |
| Friday | | |
| Saturday | 6:30pm - Evening Worship | |
| 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 12:30pm - Fall Festival | 8:45am - Family Bible Study (JaK*s Place) 9:30am - Worship (JaK*s Place) |

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 all adult members.

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

- Wednesday, Oct 27, 10:00 am, Boise campus
- Wednesday, Oct 27, 6:30 pm, Nampa (Wetzel home)
- Monday, Nov 1, 6:30 pm, Boise campus (with childcare)
- Wednesday, Nov 3, 10:00 am, Boise campus
- Saturday, Nov 6, 9:30 am, online

If the online sign up does not work for you, 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!

Fall Festival is On!!

Sunday, October 31, 12:30-2:30pm, on the Boise campus

- Food! Games! Fun!
- Food Truck (ChiliTime)
- Costume Parade @ 1:30 followed by Trunk or Treat

Please RSVP online at tinyurl.com/cocfallfest2021 or on the Boise lobby bulletin board, to help us plan for Trunk or Treat!

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!

Rake Up Boise!

Meet at the Boise campus 9:00 am, Saturday, November 13; bring gloves and a rake if you can! We'll gather around God's Word and then put our faith into action by serving others. Lunch is provided! **Anyone can join in!** Please RSVP on the Boise bulletin board or to Pastor Brad (brad.snyder@cocidaho.org / 208-996-0862).

Congregational Voters' Meeting

Sunday, November 14, 1:00 pm on the Boise campus. All members are encouraged to attend, ask questions, and offer input as we take a look at second site status and updates on various other areas of ministry.

November Grocery Outreach: Boise

Put your faith & love into action! Saturday, November 20, 10:30 am starting from the Boise campus. Donate and/or deliver free groceries to members of our community in need of a bit of encouragement & help! *Please RSVP to Pastor Wetzel (kurt.wetzel@cocidaho.org) to donate or participate in the delivery.* One set of groceries includes the following; please donate in sets (bread is donated by Franz Bakery):

- Small jars of peanut butter and jelly, OR a few cans of tuna
- Fresh veggies OR fruit (bananas, apples, & baby carrots work well)
- Snack item (granola bars, crackers, etc.)
- Dessert/treat (small bag of candy, cookies, etc.)

Worship Live Stream

Cross of Christ is now live streaming the 8:30 am worship service from the Boise campus, at cocidaho.org/livestream. Live streaming provides a way to worship with your church family, 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.

Fully Masked Service: Saturday Evenings

The Saturday evening service at Cross of Christ Boise campus is currently a fully masked service. We ask that anyone who attends these Saturday evening services wears a mask for the entirety of their time within our facility, even during worship. This policy will be under continual review as we observe usage of the service and community health recommendations.

It's our prayer that this opportunity provides an environment where attendees will know exactly what to expect in terms of indoor mask usage. Please consider reaching out to someone who has perhaps been hoping for a fully masked service and invite them to come along!

WELS International Youth Rally – Save the Date

The 2022 WELS International Youth Rally will be held at the University of Tennessee - Knoxville, June 28-July 1. This is a unique opportunity for spiritual growth! Teens finishing 8th-12th grades (entering high school through graduating high school) will get to hang out with over 2,000 peers who share their faith, listen to speakers with stories of faith and hope from around the world, experience lifting up their voices with thousands, and attend a variety of workshops with a biblical perspective on timely teen topics. If you have questions about the Rally at this point, contact Pastor Brad (brad.snyder@cocidaho.org).

*“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 | 39 | 20 | 59 |
| Men’s Bible Study/Women’s Bible Study | 7/3 | | 10 |
| Kids’ Sunday School/Confirmation | 21 | 9 | 30 |
| Cross Connections (online & individual) | 16 | | 16 |
| Growth Groups | 15 | | 15 |
| Last Weekend’s Worship | 172 | 55 | 227 |

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| <i>General Fund Offerings Planned FY 21-22</i> | \$739,167 |
| General Fund Offerings Planned FYTD | \$227,436 |
| General Fund Offerings FYTD | \$207,979 |
| Total Offerings Last Week (All Funds) | \$8,938 |

| Serving | Oct 23-Oct 24 | | Oct 30-Oct 31 | |
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| | Nampa | Boise | Nampa | Boise |
| Music | S. Wetzel | K. Koepsell | S. Wetzel | A. Lange |
| AV Tech | J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light | L. Boesch, A. Becker, E. Christianson, J. Meier | J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light | E. Christianson, 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 | B. Walters, J. Berrier, C. Berrier, B. Turley, S. Turley | n/a | K. Benedick, J. Berrier, C. Berrier, H. Geary, B. Turley |
| Open & Close | Malnes | E. Christianson, B. Turley, R. Lange | Olsoe | M. Brown, J. Kennedy, H. Geary |
| Coffee | Guthmiller, Wetzel | R. Ritger | Guthmiller, Wetzel | R. Ritger |
| Flowers | n/a | Robbins, DeWall | n/a | Banner, Ehlke |
| Church Cleaners | n/a | Seely, Seibel | n/a | Admin |
| Bulletin Folders | Ritger, Ford, Ashley | | Bafus, Guthmiller | |
| Tellers | Rule, Walden, Cadwell | | Harris, Morgan, Turley | |