



UPSIDE DOWN
GLORY

CROSS OF CHRIST

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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Transfiguration

February 26-27, 2022

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

“Beautiful Savior”

Hymn #369:1-3

Welcomed into the Family of God

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

Congregation: Amen.

Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

(♪) **We are not what we should be,
We haven't sought what we should seek;
We've seen your glory, Lord, but looked away.
Our hearts are bent, our eyes are dim,
Our finest works are stained with sin,
Our guilt, O Lord, has shadowed all our ways.**

**Jesus Christ, shine into our night.
Drive our dark away, till your glory fills our eyes.
Jesus Christ, shine into our night.
Bind us to your cross where we find life.**

**Still we often go astray,
We chase the world, forget your grace,
But you have never failed to bring us back.
Reveal the depths of what you've done,
The death you died, the vict'ry won.
You made a way for us to know your love.**

**Jesus Christ, only you give us life,
All our sin removed, clean and holy in your sight.
Jesus Christ, you alone make us right.
Help us honor you with our lives.**

The almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given his only Son to die for us, and for his sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe in his name he gives the power to become children of God and has promised them his Holy Spirit. This is who you are. You are a child of God and part of his family. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

Amen.

God's Word

Exodus 34:29-35

²⁹ When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant law in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the LORD. ³⁰ When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him.

³¹ But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them. ³² Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the LORD had given him on Mount Sinai.

³³ When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face. ³⁴ But whenever he entered the LORD's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵ they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the LORD.

God's Word

Luke 9:28-36

²⁸ About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. ²⁹ As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. ³⁰ Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. ³¹ They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem. ³² Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. ³³ As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.)

³⁴ While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵ A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him." ³⁶ When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

Children's Message

Song

"Christ Begins"

On the screens

Message from God's Word

2 Corinthians 3:7-18, 4:6

⁷ Now if the ministry that brought death, which was engraved in letters on stone, came with glory, so that the Israelites could not look steadily at the face of Moses because of its glory, transitory though it was, ⁸ will not the ministry of the Spirit be even more glorious? ⁹ If the ministry that brought condemnation was glorious, how much more glorious is the ministry that brings righteousness! ¹⁰ For what was glorious has no glory now in comparison with the surpassing glory. ¹¹ And if what was transitory came with glory, how much greater is the glory of that which lasts!

¹² Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold. ¹³ We are not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face to prevent the Israelites from seeing the end of what was passing away. ¹⁴ But their minds were made dull, for to this day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. It has not been removed, because only in Christ is it taken away. ¹⁵ Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts. ¹⁶ But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. ¹⁷ Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸ And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit... ⁶ For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ.

Upside Down Glory

Song of Response

“This Brightness Lord”

On the screens

Statement of Faith

“We Believe”

On the screens

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

Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another, and serve the Lord with gladness.

May the love of the Lord Jesus draw us to himself.

May the power of the Lord Jesus make us strong to do his will.

May the peace of the Lord Jesus fill our lives.

Amen!

Closing Song

“This Brightness Lord”

On the screens

Silent Prayer

Lord God, before the suffering and death of your one and only Son, you revealed his glory on that mountain of the transfiguration. Grant that we who bear his cross on earth may see by faith the light of his heavenly glory and so be changed to be more and more like him. Amen.

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 drop your offering off during the week.

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.

Cross of Christ Weekly Newsletter

February 27, 2022

Feb 27-Mar 6	Boise	Nampa
Sunday	8:30am – Worship (also livestreamed at cocidaho.org/livestream) 9:45am – Adult Bible Study (Chapel) Teen Class (Conf Rm) Kids’ Sunday School (Gym & Classrooms) Confirmation Class (Rm 5) 11:00am – 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	
Wednesday	5:00pm – Soup Supper 6:30pm – Ash Wednesday Worship (also livestreamed at cocidaho.org/livestream) 7:30pm – Adult Choir Rehearsal	
Thursday	6:30 pm – Cross Connections (online)	
	7:00pm - GriefShare	
Friday		
Saturday	6:30pm - Evening Worship w/Communion	
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Midweek Worship for Lent, at Boise, Begins This Week

For six Wednesday evenings during Lent, we'll gather for fellowship and encouragement as we ponder key words and moments from the account of Jesus' passion that demonstrate the thorough completeness of his saving work for us, the breadth and depth of his love for us, and the strength of his union with us.

Wednesdays on the Boise Campus

March 2 - April 6

Worship begins at 6:30 pm

also livestreamed at cocidaho.org/livestream

(Soup supper in the gym 5:00-6:15 pm)



Ash Wednesday, March 2: Passover

March 9: Sifting

March 16: Bound

March 23: Legality

March 30: Remorse

April 6: Whole

Soup Suppers During the Season of Lent

Lenten midweek worship services will be held March 2 - April 6, at 6:30 pm each Wednesday, on the Boise campus. Dinner is provided at church 5:00-6:15 pm, to make it easier for everyone to worship our Savior during this special season!

Please consider providing a soup, salad, dessert, or serving/clean-up assistance. See the bulletin board in the Boise lobby or sign up online at tinyurl.com/LentSoupSuppers2022. This is a valuable service to our church family, so that worshipping our Savior can be our top priority. Contact Rock Brown (907-301-3276) with questions.

Community Support Opportunity

You're invited to participate with Cross of Christ Preschool in showing love and support to new moms and babies through Stanton Healthcare in Meridian. Stanton provides 18 months of care to moms and babies at no charge. We're collecting diapers and wipes for them! Donations are being collected in the lobby at Boise; **last day to contribute is this Monday, February 28.** You can learn more about Stanton at stantonhealthcare.org.

Upcoming Worship Series: UNDEFEATED

We are about to enter the traditional church season of Lent. This season has been used by Christians for centuries to reflect on the severity of our sins and the journey Christ made to the cross. Although this is typically a somber season, it is by no means a joyless one. Instead, while being honest in our own struggles with sin, we also firmly hold to the truth that Christ stood undefeated before all that would keep us separated from our holy God. His victories are our victories through faith! This fact will be especially celebrated at Easter. But first, for a total of six Sundays starting on March 6, we will contemplate our need for a Savior and the many ways he fought for us.

Meditations Devotional

The March-May Meditations is available for you on the tables in the lobby. This daily devotional provides food for your faith and encouragement for life. Please take one for yourself and a friend.

Cross of Christ Preschool Registration Open to All New this year: full-day options available!

Registration info and forms can be picked up in the church office or found online at cocidaho.org/preschool. Submit your registration as soon as possible to assure a spot in your preferred class! Direct questions to Jan Perna (208-949-0851 / registrar@cocboise.org).

Easter Flower Orders

Would you like to help adorn our Savior's altar with flowers on Easter morning? (You're welcome to enjoy the flowers at home after the final Easter service!) Please sign up and choose the plants you'd like on the lobby bulletin board at Boise. Last day to order is March 28. Make checks payable to Dick and/or Kay Guthmiller and put in church mailbox #12.

Worship Livestream Archive

Cross of Christ continues to livestream the 8:30 am worship service from the Boise campus -- and the recording of this livestream is available for replay on our YouTube channel as soon as the livestream has finished! To access the archives, go to cocidaho.org/livestream; below the video preview, click or tap the "archive of previous worship services" link. This will take you directly to our YouTube channel where you can select the service you'd like to worship with.

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 from the privacy of your own home through their Telehealth program. Contact Amanda Cadwell, LPC, DCC (acadwell@wlcfs.org, 208-293-9744) 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.

***“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	\$483,302
General Fund Offerings FYTD	\$479,181
Total Offerings Last Weekend (All Funds)	\$9,272

People in God’s Word this past week	Boise	Nampa	Total
Sunday Morning Adult/Teen Bible Study	36/4	17	57
Kids’ Sunday School/Confirmation	22/8		30
Cross Connections	9+6		15
Growth Groups	4+10+9+6+12		41
Women’s Bible Study	no class last week		
Men’s Bible Study	6		6
Last Weekend’s Worship	180	61	246
Sunday Morning Livestream Views	21		21

Serving	Feb 27		Mar 6	
	Nampa	Boise	Nampa	Boise
Music	A. Lange, Wetzels, Parsons, Tracys	K. Koepsell, R. Dodd, R. Evans, C. Trull	S. Wetzel, K. Olsoe, J. Olsoe	A. Lange, J. Hein, Adult Choir
AV Tech	G. Light, J. Malnes, S. Tews	E. Christianson, A. Becker, J. Geary	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	G. Light, T. Russow, A. Becker
Altar Care	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	D. McLain, K. Adams	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	K. Guthmiller, K. Struthers
Set-Up	Guthmiller, Harris, Hopkins, O'Doherty	n/a	Guthmiller, Harris, Hopkins, O'Doherty	n/a
Ushers	n/a	J. Berrier, C. Berrier, R. Seely	J. Harris	TBD
Open & Close	Malnes	R. Ochoa, B. Masters, R. Lange	Olsoe	W. Ehlke, B. Masters, L. Manglos
Coffee	Guthmiller, Wetzel	C. Berrier, D. McLain	Guthmiller, Wetzel	R. Ritger, K. Struthers
Flowers	n/a	Becker	n/a	Masters
Bulletin Folders	Prigges, Tweedy, Foreman		Kimmel, Whitlach, Ritger	
Tellers	Turley, Walden, Cadwell		TBD	