



CROSS OF CHRIST
BOISE

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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The Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter Day

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Settle in with Jesus and his family. Welcome home.

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 often 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

“In Christ Alone”

On the screens

Responses with “I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

Hymn #152:1,5,7,8

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

Congregation: Amen!

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Christ, the Lamb who was slain, now lives in the glory of the Father.

Christ is risen!

Let us come before him in worship, honor, and joyous thanksgiving!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

(♪) **I know that my Redeemer lives;
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my ever-living Head!**

Our Redeemer was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification. (*Romans 4:25*)

Christ is risen!

What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? (*Romans 6:1*)

By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? (*Romans 6:2*)

We count ourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus. We were buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. (*Romans 6:4*)

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**(♩) He lives to silence all my fears;
He lives to wipe away my tears.
He lives to calm my troubled heart;
He lives all blessings to impart.**

In his great mercy, God has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. (*1 Peter 1:3*)

Alleluia!

We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. (*1 Thessalonians 4:14*)

He is risen!

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ. (*Revelation 12:10*)

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**(♩) He lives and grants me daily breath;
He lives, and I shall conquer death.
He lives my mansion to prepare;
He lives to bring me safely there.

He lives, all glory to his name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same.
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
“I know that my Redeemer lives!”**

Prayer

Almighty God, by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you conquered death and opened the gate to eternal life. Grant that we, who have been raised with him through baptism, may walk in the newness of life and ever rejoice in the hope of sharing his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit be dominion and praise now and forever.

Amen.

Holy Baptism

Angela Louise Fieler

8:30 am

God's Word

Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶ On this mountain the LORD Almighty will prepare
a feast of rich food for all peoples,
a banquet of aged wine—
the best of meats and the finest of wines.

⁷ On this mountain he will destroy
the shroud that enfolds all peoples,
the sheet that covers all nations;

⁸ he will swallow up death forever.
The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears
from all faces;
he will remove his people's disgrace
from all the earth.

The LORD has spoken.

⁹ In that day they will say,
"Surely this is our God;
we trusted in him, and he saved us.
This is the LORD, we trusted in him;
let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation."

God's Word

Luke 24:1-12

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴ While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. ⁵ In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? ⁶ He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: ⁷ 'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.'" ⁸ Then they remembered his words.

⁹ When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. ¹⁰ It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. ¹² Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

Children's Message

Song of Praise

"The Tomb Is Empty"

On the screens

Message from God's Word

1 Corinthians 15:51-57

⁵¹ Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed—
⁵² in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. ⁵³ For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. ⁵⁴ When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory."

⁵⁵ "Where, O death, is your victory?
Where, O death, is your sting?"

⁵⁶ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷ But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

This Victory Belongs to You

Song of Response

“I Will Rise”

On the 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

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

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 Christ Is Risen Today”

Hymn #157:1,2,4

Silent Prayer

Almighty God, you have done all things well! We praise and thank you for giving to us Christ's victory over sin and death. Lift our hearts in the confidence of knowing that we stand victorious along with Jesus, our Lord.

Amen!

Offerings

If you would like to give an offering to support gospel ministry at and through 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.

Worship with us again!

Saturdays at 6:30 pm
Sundays at 8:30 & 11:00 am
Bible hour for all ages Sundays, 9:45-10:45 am

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

April 17, 2022

Apr 17-Apr 24	Boise	Nampa
	8:30am – Easter Worship (also livestreamed at cocidaho.org/livestream) 9:30-10:45am – Easter Breakfast 10:20am - Kids’ Egg Hunt 11:00am – Easter Worship	9:30am – Easter Worship (JaK*s Place) 10:30am – Easter Brunch & Kids’ Egg Hunt
Monday	10:00am – Women’s Bible Study	
Tuesday		
Wednesday	6:30am – Men’s Bible Study 7:00pm - CrossTrainers	
Thursday	7:00pm - GriefShare	
Friday		
Saturday	10:30am – Grocery Outreach 2:00pm – Sisters in Christ DIY Workshop 6:30pm - Evening Worship	
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)

Happy Easter!

Thank you for joining us this morning as we give our Easter praises to Jesus, our Risen Lord! A special welcome to all our guests today. We hope you feel comfortable at Cross of Christ and that you will join us for **Easter breakfast in the gym, 9:30-10:45 am** this morning.

Easter Egg Hunt

A big thanks to everyone who generously donated candy for the Easter Egg Hunt (the kids really appreciate it!).

- All kids up through 6th grade are invited to participate in an outdoor egg hunt, beginning at 10:20 am (meet in the gym). Cartons (for collecting eggs) and bags (for collecting candy) will be supplied.
- We would also gladly accept help from any teens willing to assist in “hiding” the eggs; meet Mrs. Watkins in the gym at 9:45 am.

New Worship Series: CONFIDENCE

We celebrate today the victory we gain through Jesus’ resurrection, but how does this victory affect our lives right now? **Starting next weekend, April 23-24**, we’ll begin a new worship series called *Confidence*, which will help us see what a life lived with *confidence in Christ* looks like. We hope you, your family, and your friends can be here for this valuable new series!

Bible Studies Resuming the Week of April 24

- Sunday Adult Bible Class: New Series Begins! (see next page)
- Growth Groups (see next announcement)
- Men’s Bible Study (at Boise, Wednesdays at 6:30 am)
- CrossTrainers (high school students, at Boise, Wednesdays at 7:00 pm)
- Cross Connections (at Boise, Wednesdays 6:30pm, begins May 4)

Growth Groups

These small group Bible studies meet at church and in members’ homes to take a closer look at the previous Sunday’s message and to get to know each other better. Grow together with fellow believers in Growth Group at Cross of Christ!

Groups start the week of April 24! Sign up on the lobby bulletin board at Boise or online at tinyurl.com/ggspring2022 for a day and location that works for you.

Sunday Adult Bible Class: New Series Begins April 14!

We call ourselves Christians because Jesus Christ is the center of our faith and of our life. Yet, how much of your perception of Jesus is actually based on the Bible? For many of us, the Jesus we pray to, the Jesus we get mad at, and the Jesus we tell others about is based more on cultural understandings of Jesus than on how Jesus has revealed himself to us through his Word. Therefore, we're going to spend the next several weeks working through a Bible class called *Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up*. Each Sunday we will identify a "false christ" that we or people around us have set up in our minds, come to an understanding of why that false christ is harmful, and let God's Word give us a Christ that surpasses anything of our own creation. This is essential as we always seek to follow our Savior for who he is and not for who we make him to be. Please join us on Sunday mornings in between worship services, from 9:45–10:45, for this great dive into God's Word!

April Grocery Outreach in Boise this Saturday!

Saturday, April 23, 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! One set of groceries includes the following; please donate in sets (bread is generously 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.)

Please RSVP to Pastor Wetzel (kurt.wetzel@cocidaho.org) to donate or participate in the delivery.

Cross Connections Class

In-person on the Boise campus: **Wednesdays, 6:30 pm (starting May 4)**. Religion and spirituality can sometimes seem like concepts that leave us confused without feeling any closer to God. But knowing God and finding peace in life doesn't have to be hard.

Cross Connections is a 10-week course where we lay out the message of Jesus and the Bible in a simple, easy-to-follow format, to give you everything you need to connect to God, purpose, and community. After attending Cross Connections, you will have certainty about your relationship with God and the good news found at the cross of Christ! **Sign up today by registering online at cocidaho.org or calling 208-375-3992.**



Easter Flowers

Many thanks to all who provided flowers for our Easter morning services. They truly added to the beauty of celebrating our living Savior. Those you purchased will be available for you to take home and enjoy following the 11:00 am service; feel free to stop in during the week to pick yours up if needed.

Sisters in Christ DIY Workshop Event, this Saturday!

Saturday, April 23, 2:00-5:00 pm, at AR Workshop in downtown Meridian (arworkshop.com/meridian), a boutique do-it-yourself workshop. Participants are asked to register online and choose their project ahead of time. Once chosen, AR Workshop puts together all the materials that will be needed and will have them ready for you to make on Saturday, April 23. *No craft/artist skill required; a stencil will be provided for you to create your project!*

To preview projects and register, go to tinyurl.com/SICWorkshop (password is GATHER). All women 6th grade and older are invited! **There are still spots available; last day to register is Wednesday, April 20.** Contact Andrea Becker for more information or help registering (becker_family_3546@msn.com).

General Fund Offerings Planned FY 21-22	\$739,167
General Fund Offerings Planned FYTD	\$582,805
General Fund Offerings FYTD	\$585,911
Total Offerings Last Weekend (All Funds)	\$22,365

People in God's Word this past week	Boise	Nampa	Total
Sunday Morning Adult/Teen Bible Study	49	27	76
Kids' Sunday School/Confirmation	53/10		63
Cross Connections	8+2		10
Women's Bible Study	6		6
Lent Wednesday Worship	98		98
Last Weekend's Worship	252	71	323
Livestream Views	12		

Serving	Apr 17		Apr 24	
	Nampa	Boise	Nampa	Boise
Music	S. Wetzel, J. Lowry, C. Trull, R. Dodd, G. Light, J/B/E Parsons	K. Koepsell, F. Fauchaux, G. Hein, B. Breckon, B. Berrier, S. Hibbs, S. DeWall, M&M Studer	J. Hein, C. Harris, D. Tews	K. Koepsell
AV Tech	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	E. Christianson, A. Becker	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	M. Hartman, TBA
Altar Care	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	T. Yaka	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	T. Yaka
Set-Up	Guthmiller, Harris, Hopkins, O'Doherty	n/a	Guthmiller, Harris, Hopkins, O'Doherty	n/a
Ushers	n/a	T. Stavenau, J. Breckon, B. Turley	n/a	TBA
Open & Close	Olsoe	B. Masters, KC Broyles	Light	R. Ochoa, E. Christianson, R. Lange
Coffee	Guthmiller, Wetzel	B. Robbins, R. Ritger	Guthmiller, Wetzel	B. Robbins, R. Ritger
Flowers	n/a	Easter	n/a	Ready
Lawn Crew	n/a	E. Uhlenhoff	n/a	R. Lange
Bulletin Folders	Bafus, Guthmiller, Ritger		Prigges, Tweedy, Foreman	
Tellers	Harris, Turley, Morford		Rule, Harris, Morgan	