



CROSS OF **CHRIST**
BOISE

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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Pentecost

June 4-5, 2022

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

Choir Anthem

“On the Day of Pentecost”

Sunday morning

Opening Song

“Come Holy Ghost, Creator Blest”

Hymn #177:1,2,3,5; alternate tune

Prayer

Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gift of grace. Rekindle in our hearts the holy fire of your love that in a true and living faith we may tell abroad the glory of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Father, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

God’s Word

Genesis 11:1-9

¹ Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. ² As people moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there.

³ They said to each other, “Come, let’s make bricks and bake them thoroughly.” They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth.”

⁵ But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower the people were building. ⁶ The LORD said, “If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other.”

⁸ So the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. ⁹ That is why it was called Babel—because there the LORD confused the language of the whole world. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

God's Word

Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place.

² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken.

⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?"

⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native languages?

⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" ¹² Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

¹³ Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ "In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.

¹⁹ I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,

blood and fire and billows of smoke.
²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.
²¹ And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Children’s Message

Song

“Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God”

On screens

Message from God’s Word

John 14:23-27

²³ Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.

²⁴ Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.

²⁵ “All this I have spoken while still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.”

The Greater Gift of the Spirit

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.

Let's confess our sins together and place our trust in Christ for our forgiveness.

Holy and merciful Father in heaven, I have been sinful since birth. I have fallen so far short of the perfection you require. My sins deserved your unending punishment. Thank you for sending Jesus and for giving me your Spirit to bring me to faith. I trust in Christ as I ask for your mercy.

Christ died for you. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit!

Amen!

To personally comfort us and deliver this forgiveness:

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.

Communion Distribution Song

**"Draw Near and Take
the Body of the Lord"**

On screens

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

Silent Prayer

Holy Spirit, fill my heart with your love, joy, and peace. Because of Jesus, and in his name: Amen.

Offerings

If you would like to give an offering to support gospel ministry at Cross of Christ, the 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

June 5, 2022

Jun 5-Jun 12	Boise	Nampa
Sunday	8:30am – Worship w/Communion (also livestreamed at cocidaho.org/livestream) 9:45am – Boise Campus Ministry Discussion (Chapel) Teen Class (Conf Rm) Kids’ Sunday School (Gym & Classrooms) 11:00am – Worship w/Communion	8:45am - Family Bible Study (JaK*s Place) 9:30am – Worship w/Communion (JaK*s Place)
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	<i>no Cross Connections class this week</i>	
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday	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) 11:00am – Worship	8:45am - Family Bible Study (JaK*s Place) 9:30am – Worship (JaK*s Place)

Ministry Planning and Discussion: Boise Campus - TODAY

Today, Sunday, June 5, we’ll use the adult Bible class hour (9:45am-10:45am) to discuss ministry opportunities, plans, and guiding principles at the Boise campus. We’d love for you to participate in these discussions with your questions, input, and ideas. These ministry discussions will be held on the first Sundays of every month during the adult Bible class hour for the foreseeable future.

Upcoming Worship Series: Powerless Religion, Powerful Gospel

What do we desire from a religion? What do we expect religion to be like? As we analyze these questions, we'll see how the Gospel of Jesus surpasses any man-made philosophy or method we encounter in this world (including the ones we create within ourselves). The Gospel is so much better than religion! This is why we'll spend the next five weeks working through the biblical book of Galatians. Here we'll see how the Gospel is God's greatest gift to us and has power unlike anything else. Bring your family, friends, and neighbors for this important new series!

Nampa Building Update: The electrical panel has arrived!

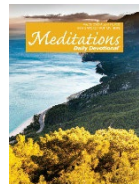
That means the finish work can go quickly to bring the project to completion in the coming weeks! Stay tuned for more info on a workday to move everything in, first service in the new building, and a dedication service, once we get more info about an occupancy date.

Summer Bible Reading Plan

Jump in with Cross of Christ's summer Bible reading plan! It started June 1 with the Psalms (31 days), then will continue the wisdom literature of the Old Testament (Job, Proverbs, and Ecclesiastes, 60 days). The direct link to join the Psalms reading plan on the YouVersion Bible app is in the last two Cross of Christ Friday news emails, or you can contact secretary@cocidaho.org to have it emailed directly to you. If you'd like to use a printed schedule of the plan, find it in the Boise campus lobby or near the entrance at JaK*s Place on Sunday morning.

Meditations Devotional

The Jun-Sept Meditations is available for you on the tables in the lobby. This daily devotion provides food for your faith and encouragement for life. Please feel free to take one for yourself and one for a friend!



Thanks to Blood Drive Participants

Great gratitude to all who participated in last week's Red Cross blood drive – it was super-successful!

- 47 appointments available, 46 appointments filled ahead of time
- 48 actual donors, at least 12 of those were Cross of Christ members
- 5 Cross of Christ volunteers assisting with donor check-in
- Goal: 39 units; actual units collected: 54! ("Power Red" donations count as two units, so total units are more than total donors.)

Hosting something like this is a tangible way we as Jesus' hands and feet can "do some earthly good" for our community. You can learn more about blood donation and its impact at redcrossblood.org.

Pacific Northwest District Convention

The Cross of Christ pastors will be attending our church body's district convention in Tacoma, WA, this week. All will be available by phone/email/text as needed. We ask God to bless the work of all the pastors and delegates attending the convention as they meet to worship, study, plan, organize, and oversee the work of God's Kingdom in the Pacific Northwest. (Pastor Steinbrenner serves as the District President; Pastor Wetzel serves as District Worship Coordinator; Pastor Snyder serves as District Special Ministries Coordinator. If you'd like to know more about those roles, they'd be happy to speak with you.)

VBS = Volunteers Being (Super) Servants!

VBS is July 11-14, 9am-12pm on the Boise campus. *Could you be one of the helpful many to make it a success?* Here are some ways you could contribute and help kids connect to Jesus!

VOLUNTEER as: group leader, group assistant, games/snack/science assistant, childcare (for volunteers' kids younger than 3), set-up/decorating (Sun July 10), or take-down/clean-up (Thurs July 14, 11-1). Sign up for any of those (or find a little more info) at tinyurl.com/CoCVBSVols2022.

SHARE: Let us *borrow* southwestern or desert-themed décor and items! **Drop items off in Room 5 on the Boise campus at any time. EACH item to be returned MUST be labeled with your name!**

- Wagon wheels, animal skulls (clean), weathered boards
- Striped or rustic blankets
- Clay jars/pots, natural-color baskets
- Cactus-themed anything
- Potted grasses, succulents (larger is better), palm-type plants
- Small dome tent, camp chair, mountain bike, hiking backpack
- Brown or tan tarps
- Southwestern stuffed/toy animals: coyote, donkey, lizard, snake, roadrunner, armadillo, hawk, hare/rabbit, tarantula, mountain lion, ???

- Or donate:
- Clean, sturdy cardboard boxes (medium/large) – need lots!
 - Clean paper grocery bags (can be wrinkled/folded)

Talk to Kristen Koepsell with ANY questions about volunteering or contributing (208-922-8422 / kristen.koepsell@cocidaho.org).

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School at Cross of Christ provides our kids with a fun and exciting opportunity for spiritual growth during the summer. By exploring God's awesomeness, kids form a rock-solid faith for the road ahead. Mark your calendars – it's not too early to invite your friends and neighbors!

*Monday-Thursday, July 11-14, 9am-12pm on the Boise campus. For kids age three through entering 6th grade. **Registration will be available within the next week!***

Talk to Pastor Snyder with questions (brad.snyder@cocidaho.org).

Camp Christos 2022: MARVELous God

*Registration is OPEN for Camp Christos. Camp Christos, the summer camp in La Grande, OR, that Cross of Christ is heavily involved in with other churches from Idaho, Oregon, and Washington, will be held the **week of August 7-12**. The camp is for kids ages 9 through 16.*

Volunteers (ages 17 and up) are needed for counselors (in cabins with campers), activity leaders, crafts leaders and helpers, and kitchen help (we'd love to have enough kitchen help that everyone can take just one of three shifts during the day).

Get more information and register as a camper or as a volunteer at tinyurl.com/campchristos. Connect with Pastor Snyder with questions or to get more details! (brad.snyder@cocidaho.org).

Worship Livestream Archives

Did you know? The full-service Sunday morning worship livestream can be watched any time after the fact! The easiest way to access the livestream archives is to visit cocidaho.org/livestream, scroll down a bit, and (below the preview for the next service), click on the “archive of previous worship services” link. That will take you to Cross of Christ's YouTube channel, where you can find last Sunday's service and all previous livestreams. (While you're there, subscribe to the channel and click the bell icon to be notified when a new video is posted!)

Sisters in Christ Ladies' Retreat 2022: Save the Date!
Friday, September 23 – Sunday, September 25

Join us for a peaceful and joyful opportunity for fellowship, relaxation (both physical and spiritual), and study of God's Word as we gather for our two-day ladies' retreat in beautiful Sun Valley, ID!



General Fund Offerings Planned FY 21-22	\$739,167
General Fund Offerings Planned FYTD	\$682,308
General Fund Offerings FYTD	\$674,183
Total Offerings Last Weekend (All Funds)	\$8,362

People in God's Word this past week	Boise	Nampa	Total
Sunday Morning Adult/Teen Bible Study	26/10	23	59
Kids' Sunday School	21		21
Cross Connections	5+5		10
Men's Bible Study	6		6
Growth Groups	6+4+3+2+6		21
Last Weekend's Worship	96+85+28	62	271
Livestream Views	6		

Serving	June 5		June 12	
	Nampa	Boise	Nampa	Boise
Music	J. Lowry	A. Lange, Adult Choir, M. Studer	J. Hein, C. Harris, D. Tews	K. Koepsell
AV Tech	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	K. Koepsell, A. Becker, M. Hartman G. Light	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	A. Becker, J. Meier
Altar Care	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	K. Struthers	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	K. Struthers
Set-Up	Harris, Hopkins, O'Doherty	n/a	Harris, Hopkins, O'Doherty	n/a
Ushers	J. Harris	B. Adams, B. Whitaker	n/a	TBA
Open & Close	Light	M. Johnson, E. Christianson, H. Geary	Malnes	M. Brown, J. Breckon, KC Broyles
Coffee	Guthmiller, Wetzel	R. Ritger, K. Struthers	Guthmiller, Wetzel	R. Ritger, K. Struthers
Flowers	n/a	available	n/a	Dobi
Lawn Crew	n/a	C. DeWall, D. Rule	n/a	Team Geary
Bulletin Folders	Ritger, Ford, Ashley		Bafus, Guthmiller	
Tellers	Turley, Morford, Rule		Harris, Turley, Morford	