



**CROSS** OF **CHRIST**  
BOISE

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# Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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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](http://cocidaho.org).



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## Opening Song

## “In Christ Alone”

*On Screen*

### Welcomed as the Family of God

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you!

#### **Congregation: And also with you!**

God invites us to come into his presence and worship him. It is not because of our goodness that we deserve to come before him. We have all fallen short of the perfection required of us, and we all need a Savior. It is because of God's great love that we can come. As we confess our sins, we remember how much he has done to rescue us so we can be welcomed home in his family.

**Perfect and loving Father in heaven, I acknowledge all my sins. From birth, I have disobeyed you and failed to live as your child. Though my sins deserved unending punishment, you did not give up on me. I praise you for Jesus. I trust in him for pardon and forgiveness.**

In his great mercy, God sent his Son, Jesus, to be the sacrifice that removes our sins and makes us right with God. Because of Jesus' perfect life, death, and resurrection, your guilt is removed forever. You are forgiven all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit! God strengthen you to live as his child.

**Amen!**

### Affirmation of Baptism

*Saturday, 5:00 p.m. service*

Theodore Quinn Shaw

## Prayer

Gracious God and Lord, you know the trials and sufferings your children face. Be close to us in sadness, give us strength for the difficult days, and assure us of your unfailing love through every season of life; 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

## John 9:1-11

<sup>1</sup> As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup> His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"

<sup>3</sup> "Neither this man nor his parents sinned," said Jesus, "but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him. <sup>4</sup> As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work.

<sup>5</sup> While I am in the world, I am the light of the world."

<sup>6</sup> After saying this, he spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man's eyes. <sup>7</sup> "Go," he told him, "wash in the Pool of Siloam" (this word means "Sent"). So the man went and washed, and came home seeing.

<sup>8</sup> His neighbors and those who had formerly seen him begging asked, "Isn't this the same man who used to sit and beg?" <sup>9</sup> Some claimed that he was.

Others said, "No, he only looks like him."

But he himself insisted, "I am the man."

<sup>10</sup> "How then were your eyes opened?" they asked.

<sup>11</sup> He replied, "The man they call Jesus made some mud and put it on my eyes. He told me to go to Siloam and wash. So I went and washed, and then I could see."

## God's Word

## 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

<sup>7</sup> Therefore, in order to keep me from becoming conceited, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. <sup>8</sup> Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. <sup>9</sup> 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. <sup>10</sup> 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.

## Song

## "Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near"

*On the screens*

## Children's Message

### Message from God's Word

### Job 1-2: Select Verses

In the land of Uz there lived a man whose name was Job. This man was blameless and upright; he feared God and shunned evil. <sup>2</sup> He had seven sons and three daughters, <sup>3</sup> and he owned seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen and five hundred donkeys, and had a large number of servants. He was the greatest man among all the people of the East.

<sup>6</sup> One day the angels came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came with them. <sup>7</sup> The LORD said to Satan, "Where have you come from?"

Satan answered the LORD, "From roaming throughout the earth, going back and forth on it."

<sup>8</sup> Then the LORD said to Satan, “Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one on earth like him; he is blameless and upright, a man who fears God and shuns evil.”

<sup>9</sup> “Does Job fear God for nothing?” Satan replied. <sup>10</sup> “Have you not put a hedge around him and his household and everything he has? You have blessed the work of his hands, so that his flocks and herds are spread throughout the land.<sup>11</sup> But now stretch out your hand and strike everything he has, and he will surely curse you to your face.”

<sup>12</sup> The LORD said to Satan, “Very well, then, everything he has is in your power, but on the man himself do not lay a finger.” Then Satan went out from the presence of the LORD.

On another day the angels came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came with them to present himself before him. <sup>2</sup> And the LORD said to Satan, “Where have you come from?”

Satan answered the LORD, “From roaming throughout the earth, going back and forth on it.”

<sup>3</sup> Then the LORD said to Satan, “Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one on earth like him; he is blameless and upright, a man who fears God and shuns evil. And he still maintains his integrity, though you incited me against him to ruin him without any reason.”

<sup>4</sup> “Skin for skin!” Satan replied. “A man will give all he has for his own life. <sup>5</sup> But now stretch out your hand and strike his flesh and bones, and he will surely curse you to your face.”

<sup>6</sup> The LORD said to Satan, “Very well, then, he is in your hands; but you must spare his life.”

### **What Can God Do with a Bad Day?**

## 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**

May God the Father shield and protect you as he watches over your life.  
May Jesus, the Son, sustain you with his faithful love.  
May the Holy Spirit dwell within and fill you with his peace.

**Amen!**

## **Closing Song**

**“If God Himself Be for Me”**

*Hymn #419:1,2,6*

## **Silent Prayer**

O, Lord, my strength and refuge, strengthen my faith that I may trust in you especially when life is so hard. Shield me and protect me according to your grace. Grant peace to my troubled heart. For the sake of your Son, bring me safely through this storm. Amen.

# Cross of Christ Weekly Newsletter

## August 14, 2022

Aug 14-Aug 21	Boise	Nampa
Sunday	8:30am – Worship (also livestreamed at <a href="http://cocidaho.org/livestream">cocidaho.org/livestream</a> ) 9:45am – Boise Ministry Discussion & Planning (Chapel) Kids’ Sunday School (Gym & Classrooms) 11:00am – Worship 1:00pm – Congregational Open Forum	9:30am – Worship (6134 Birch Ln) 10:45am - Family Bible Study & Kids’ Sunday School (6134 Birch Ln)
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday	<b>5:00pm</b> (new time!) – Evening Worship	
Sunday	8:30am – Worship w/Communion (also livestreamed at <a href="http://cocidaho.org/livestream">cocidaho.org/livestream</a> ) 9:45am – 9:45am – Adult/Teen Bible Study (Chapel) Kids’ Sunday School (Gym & Classrooms) 11:00am – Worship w/Communion	9:30am – Worship w/Communion (6134 Birch Ln) 10:45am - Family Bible Study & Kids’ Sunday School (6134 Birch Ln)

### **Current Worship Series: Storm Warning**

Do you ever feel like you're trapped in the middle of a storm? Unfortunately, because of sin, we know that hardships are inevitable in this world. If you're not currently going through a time of difficulty, then you know that a storm is coming at some point and in some way. How do we deal with these storms? We begin by listening to what our God has to say to us in his word. We'll do just that in our current worship series, *Storm Warning*. In this series we'll explore the book of Job and explore how God uses the life of Job to guide us through the storm.

### **Congregational Open Forum**

**This Sunday, August 14, 1:00 pm on the Boise campus** (virtual access will be available to members). Everyone is encouraged to attend, ask questions, and offer input as we give thanks for the ministry opportunities God has already given us and what hope to see in the future.

This ministry is your ministry – see you there! Voting members of the congregation are particularly encouraged to attend to participate in the official business decisions needed.

### **Seeking Facility/Grounds Maintenance Volunteers**

God has blessed us with a wonderful building and property at the Boise campus. In thanksgiving to him, we strive to keep it looking good and functioning properly. Not only does this give glory to him, but it also shows both members and guests that we care. This is a large facility and grounds. We are looking for volunteers to help with this maintenance. The following is a list of areas that are in need of support. If you would like more information or may be interested in volunteering for a specific type of work, please contact Roy Lange (email [idaho.64lange19@gmail.com](mailto:Idaho.64lange19@gmail.com); cell 208-484-3836).

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Number of People Required</b>	<b>Time of year in 2022</b>
<b>Prune Trees</b>	3 to 4	Late Summer/Fall
<b>Trim Shrubs</b>	3 to 4	Late Summer/Fall
<b>Prune Roses</b>	1 to 2	Late Summer/Fall
<b>Trim Junipers</b>	4	Fall
<b>Spray Weeds</b>	1 person – 1 more time this year	Early September
<b>Rake Leaves on Berms</b>	1 to 2	Fall
<b>Leaf and Debris Removal in Parking Lot</b>	3 to 4	Fall

## Youth Confirmation Class

Confirmation class is designed to help parents of our congregation educate their junior high children in basic doctrinal truths and prepare them for God-pleasing reception of the Lord's Supper. **Confirmation class begins September 11** and will consist of weekly classes at both locations, homework lessons that allow for parental involvement, online quizzes, and some long-term assignments. **If you have a child 7th grade or older and would like to begin Confirmation class, contact Pastor Snyder** to arrange a meeting at church or at your home to get started (208-996-0862, [brad.snyder@cocboise.org](mailto:brad.snyder@cocboise.org)).

## Worship and Bible Study on the Nampa Campus

We thank God for this beautiful space to gather for worship and invite our community to settle in with Jesus and his family! If you haven't visited the new building yet, check it out sometime soon: 6134 Birch Lane, just off Idaho Center Boulevard a few blocks north of the interstate.

- **Sunday morning worship in Nampa is at 9:30 am.**
- **Bible study and Sunday school are held 10:45-11:45 am.** Sunday school is available for ages 3-7. Youth eight and older will be included in Family Bible study through the summer; Sunday school classes for additional age groups will begin in September.

## Cross Connections



Cross Connections (our Bible Information Class) is the perfect course to connect to God, purpose, and community at the cross of Christ. In a simple, easy-to-follow format, we lay out the message of Jesus and the Bible to give you certainty about your relationship with God and answer life's biggest questions.

- **Boise: Sundays @ 9:45 am (starting Sept. 11)**
- **Nampa: Sundays @ 10:45 am (starting Sept. 11)**

Cross Connections can serve as a great spiritual refresher to grow in your faith or as an introduction to Christianity and what we're all about at Cross of Christ. Our new round of classes happening on Sunday mornings at both campuses present an especially great opportunity for you to participate and to bring a friend!

### **DivorceCare Offered in Boise**



DivorceCare is a support group for those dealing with separation and divorce, where you'll find caring people to walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. The 13-week program uses teaching videos, a workbook, and group discussion to help you move toward healing. *If this doesn't apply to you right now, it may apply to someone you know. Share the opportunity with them!*

- Tuesdays, 7:00 pm
- Begins September 6 (participants may join at any time during the 13 weeks)
- at Cross of Christ's Boise campus
- \$20 registration fee provides your own DivorceCare workbook.
- **Register online at [cocidaho.org](http://cocidaho.org).** More program info at [divorcecare.org](http://divorcecare.org).

### **GriefShare Offered in Nampa**



GriefShare is a support group for those who've lost a loved one to death, regardless of how long it's been since the loss. This 13-week program uses teaching videos, a workbook, and group discussion to help you move toward healing. *If this doesn't apply to you right now, it may apply to someone you know. Share the opportunity with them!*

- Thursdays, 6:30 pm
- Begins September 8 (participants may join at any time during the 13 weeks)
- at Cross of Christ's Nampa campus
- \$20 registration fee provides your own GriefShare workbook.
- **Register online at [cocidaho.org](http://cocidaho.org).** More program info at [griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org).

### **Cross of Christ Preschool: Fall Openings**

Preschool still has openings for the upcoming school year, especially in the new full-day slots! SHARE this info with friends & acquaintances, REGISTER online at [cocidaho.org/preschool](http://cocidaho.org/preschool) or get a packet from the office, or CONTACT Andrea Becker ([registrar@cocboise.org](mailto:registrar@cocboise.org)) with questions.

<i>General Fund Offerings Planned FY 22-23</i>	\$781,660
General Fund Offerings Planned FYTD	\$90,192
General Fund Offerings FYTD	\$98,097
Total Offerings Last Weekend (All Funds)	\$41,518

<b>People in God's Word this past week</b>	<b>Boise</b>	<b>Nampa</b>	<b>Total</b>
Sunday Morning Adult/Teen Bible Study	21	60	81
Kids' Sunday School	22		22
Cross Connections	--		-
Last Weekend's Worship	77+56+35	96	264
Livestream Views	7		

Serving	August 14		August 21	
	Nampa	Boise	Nampa	Boise
Music	S. Wetzel, H. Martin	K. Koepsell, C. Masters, K. Christianson	J. Hein, K. Wetzel	K. Koepsell
AV Tech	J. Malnes, S. Tews	K. Koepsell, G. Light, M. Hartman, J. Meier	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	K. Koepsell, A. Becker, M. Hartman, Tim Russow
Altar Care	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	D. McLain, C. Biggs	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	D. McLain, C. Biggs
Ushers	n/a	Team Geary, TBA	J. Harris	Team Geary, TBA
Open & Close	TBA	E. Christianson, M. Brown	TBA	J. Breckon, H. Geary
Coffee	Guthmiller	C. Berrier, D. McLain	Guthmiller	C. Berrier, D. McLain
Flowers	n/a	Watkins	n/a	L. Thompson
Lawn Crew	n/a	Team Geary	n/a	B. Whitaker, J. Trentz
Bulletin Folders	Tweedy, Foreman, Ritger		Kimmel, Whitlach, Ritger	
Tellers	Turley, Walden, Morford		Rule, Harris, Morford	

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## 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](http://cocidaho.org/give) or contact the church office ([admin@cocidaho.org](mailto:admin@cocidaho.org) or 208-375-3992) to schedule a time to drop your offering off during the week.*

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## 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.*

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