

CROSS OF CHRIST

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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Welcome home 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 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 and Responses

“10,000 Reasons”

On Screens

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

**All: (♩) Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,
Worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul.
I'll worship your holy name.**

**The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning;
It's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes.**

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,
Worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul.
I'll worship your holy name.**

(spoken)

Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserved your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me.

**(♩) You're rich in love, and you're slow to anger,
Your name is great, and your heart is kind;
For all your goodness I will keep on singing,
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.**

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,
Worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul.
I'll worship your holy name.**

God has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead! Jesus perfectly removed all your sins so that God forgives you, now and forever. God is not punishing you, because Jesus took your punishment in your place. As God's child, you have an inheritance that can never perish, spoil, or fade, kept in heaven for you. You are right with God.

(♪) **And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come,
Still my soul will sing your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forevermore!**

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,
Worship his holy name.**

**Sing like never before, O my soul.
I'll worship your holy name.**

**I'll worship your holy name,
Lord, I'll worship your holy name.**

God's Word

Mark 14:32-42

³² They went to a place called Gethsemane, and Jesus said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." ³³ He took Peter, James and John along with him, and he began to be deeply distressed and troubled. ³⁴ "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death," he said to them. "Stay here and keep watch."

³⁵ Going a little farther, he fell to the ground and prayed that if possible the hour might pass from him. ³⁶ "Abba, Father," he said, "everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."

³⁷ Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Simon," he said to Peter, "are you asleep? Couldn't you keep watch for one hour?"

³⁸ Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

³⁹ Once more he went away and prayed the same thing. ⁴⁰ When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. They did not know what to say to him.

⁴¹ Returning the third time, he said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Enough! The hour has come. Look, the Son of Man is delivered into the hands of sinners. ⁴² Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!"

God's Word

1 Peter 1:3-9

³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. ⁷ These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸ Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, ⁹ for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Song

“I Know that My Redeemer Lives”

Hymn 152:1, 5

Children's Message

Message from God's Word Job 2:11-13; 16:2-3; 19:25-27

¹¹ When Job's three friends, Eliphaz the Temanite, Bildad the Shuhite and Zophar the Naamathite, heard about all the troubles that had come upon him, they set out from their homes and met together by agreement to go and sympathize with him and comfort him. ¹² When they saw him from a distance, they could hardly recognize him; they began to weep aloud, and they tore their robes and sprinkled dust on their heads. ¹³ Then they sat on the ground with him for seven days and seven nights. No one said a word to him, because they saw how great his suffering was.

² "I have heard many things like these;
you are miserable comforters, all of you!

³ Will your long-winded speeches never end?
What ails you that you keep on arguing?

²⁵ I know that my redeemer lives,
and that in the end he will stand on the earth.

²⁶ And after my skin has been destroyed,
yet in my flesh I will see God;

²⁷ I myself will see him
with my own eyes—I, and not another.
How my heart yearns within me!

"Thriving in the Storm"

Song

"I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

Hymn 152:7, 8

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 truly 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.

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.

Distribution Song

"Brokenness Aside"

On Screens

Blessing

Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another and 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

“As Long as You Are Glorified”

On Screens

Silent Prayer

Dear Father in heaven, thank you for forever. We can't see the happiness of that moment right now, and that's why it's so difficult for us sometimes to believe that you are worthy and you are worth it. Help us to not water down your truth or ever fall short of love. Help us to be faithful. We ask you for strength. 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.

Calendar & Announcements

Aug 21-Aug 28	Boise	Nampa
Sunday	8:30am – Worship w/Communion (also livestreamed at cocidaho.org/livestream) 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)
Monday	6:00pm – Council Meeting	
Tues-Fri		
Saturday	5:00pm – Evening Worship	
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Current Worship Series: Storm Warning

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

Time to Grow, Heal, Learn, Rest, Energize...

With God, in his Word, with each other. Check out the weekly lineup (so far – more coming!) and make your plan for this fall.

Details for most of these opportunities are included on the following pages.

TUESDAYS (begins Sept 6)

DivorceCare, 7:00 pm, Boise campus

Register at cocidaho.org.

WEDNESDAYS (begins Sept 7)

CrossTrainers (high school teens), Boise campus, 7-9pm, with dinner

THURSDAYS (begins Sept 8)

GriefShare, 6:30 pm, Nampa campus

Register at cocidaho.org.

SUNDAYS (begins Sept 11)

Boise campus (9:45-10:45 am)

- Adults & interested teens: Cross Connections
- Teen Class (9th-12th grade)
- Confirmation Class (7th-8th grade)
- Sunday School (age 2 – 6th grade; please register at tinyurl.com/CoCSundaySchoolFall22)

Nampa campus (10:45-11:45 am)

- Adults & youth 7th grade & older: Cross Connections
- Sunday School (age 3 – 6th grade; please register at tinyurl.com/CoCSundaySchoolFall22)

VARIOUS DAYS (begins week of Sept 18)

- Growth Groups: small groups who discuss God's Word and help each other live it out
- Six-week fall session
- Days, times, locations, & sign-up coming soon!

Sunday Morning Cross Connections

Cross Connections is designed to help you connect to God, purpose, and community at the cross of Christ. In a simple, easy-to-follow format, it lays out the message of Jesus and the Bible to give you certainty about your relationship with God and answer life's biggest questions.

Cross Connections can serve as a great spiritual refresher to grow in your faith or as an introduction to Christianity and what Cross of Christ is all about. *The 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

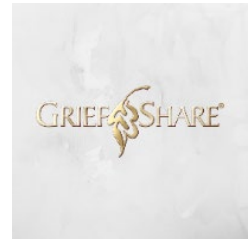
DivorceCare is a support group for those dealing with separation and divorce, where you'll find caring people to walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. The 13-week program uses teaching videos, a workbook, and group discussion to help you move toward healing. *If this doesn't 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.** More program info at 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.** More program info at griefshare.org.

Sunday School “New Year”

On Sunday, September 11, we’ll kick off the next Sunday school year by gathering in our “new” age-level groups (officially recognizing that we’re all a year older!) for more awesome Bible learning and faith building.

Boise campus	Nampa campus
Age 2 – 6th grade	Age 3 – 6th grade
9:45-10:45 am	10:45-11:45 am

Parents, if you expect your children to participate in Sunday school, at either campus, for this fall semester, please do register them here: tinyurl.com/CoCSundaySchoolFall22. This will help us enormously in planning & prepping for the year, particularly in making sure all classes are properly staffed!

If you have any questions about any aspect of Sunday school, start by contacting Pastor Snyder (brad.snyder@cocidaho.org, 208-996-0862).

Youth Confirmation Class

Confirmation class is designed to help parents 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 pastor-taught classes at both locations (Sunday mornings at Boise and an evening option in Nampa),
- 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).

Cross of Christ Preschool: Fall Openings

The first day of Preschool is September 6 – less than three weeks away – but there are still 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 or get a packet from the office, or CONTACT Andrea Becker (registrar@cocboise.org) with questions.

People in God's Word this past week	Boise	Nampa	Total
Sunday Morning Adult/Teen Bible Study	22	36	58
Kids' Sunday School	16	10	26
Cross Connections	5		5
Last Weekend's Worship	46+69+48	101	264
Livestream Views	10		

<i>General Fund Offerings Planned FY 22-23</i>	\$781,660
General Fund Offerings Planned FYTD	\$105,223
General Fund Offerings FYTD	\$113,699
Total Offerings Last Weekend (All Funds)	\$15,648

Serving	August 21		August 28	
	Nampa	Boise	Nampa	Boise
Music	J. Hein, K. Wetzel	K. Koepsell	A. Lange, C. Harris, D. Harris	K. Koepsell, J. Hein, L. Neujahr, S. DeWall
AV Tech	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	K. Koepsell, A. Becker, M. Hartman, T. Russow, G Light	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	K. Koepsell, G. Light, B. Berrier, J. Meier
Altar Care	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	D. McLain, C. Biggs	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	D. McLain, C. Biggs
Ushers	J. Harris	J. Breckon, Team Geary, Team Manglos	n/a	K. Benedick, B. Turley, TBA
Open & Close	TBA	J. Breckon, H. Geary	TBA	M. Johnson, L. Manglos
Coffee	Guthmiller	C. Berrier, D. McLain	Guthmiller	C. Berrier, D. McLain
Flowers	n/a	L. Thompson	n/a	T. Gruenhagen
Lawn Crew	n/a	B. Whitaker, J. Trentz	n/a	Team Meier
Bulletin Folders	Kimmel Whitlach, Ritger		Ritger, Ford, Ashley	
Tellers	Rule, Harris, Morford		Rule, Turley, Hudson	