



CROSS OF **CHRIST**
BOISE

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.



CROSS OF CHRIST
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Opening Song

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Hymn #234:1-4

Welcomed into the Family of God

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

Congregation: Amen!

Living as the family of God doesn't mean we never struggle or fall. God knows how real our struggle with sin is. Though we so often fail to live as his children, God doesn't send us away. He invites us to come—honestly and with confidence as we place our trust in Christ.

God, my Father in heaven, I have sinned. Throughout my life, in countless ways, I have disobeyed and offended you. I am sorry for my sins. As I look to the cross, I see how huge the cost of my sin is. Yet it wasn't me on the cross. It was your Son. Thank you for Jesus. I praise you for saving me and loving me that much!

Even in the midst of life's storms, God says, “Peace. Be still!” Jesus lived the life we should have lived. Jesus was punished for each of our sins. His resurrection to life is proof that everything is accomplished. Your sins are forgiven! Your guilt is removed! God calls you his holy child. May he send his Spirit to walk with you and strengthen you to live as his child.

Amen!

Prayer

Lord almighty, your ways are far beyond our understanding. Yet you come to us in our weakness and sorrows, you're always present, and you love us through it all. Through every pain and trial of life, help us to always trust in you; 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

Luke 8:22-25

²² One day Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side of the lake." So they got into a boat and set out. ²³ As they sailed, he fell asleep. A squall came down on the lake, so that the boat was being swamped, and they were in great danger.

²⁴ The disciples went and woke him, saying, "Master, Master, we're going to drown!"

He got up and rebuked the wind and the raging waters; the storm subsided, and all was calm. ²⁵ "Where is your faith?" he asked his disciples.

In fear and amazement they asked one another, "Who is this? He commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him."

God's Word

Psalm 131

A song of ascents. Of David.

¹ My heart is not proud, LORD,
my eyes are not haughty;
I do not concern myself with great matters
or things too wonderful for me.

² But I have calmed and quieted myself,
I am like a weaned child with its mother;
like a weaned child I am content.

³ Israel, put your hope in the LORD
both now and forevermore.

Children's Message

Song

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

On the screens

Message from God's Word

Job 38:1-4,19-21,31-33;
40:1-9; 41:1-2; 42:1-6,10-17

¹ Then the LORD spoke to Job out of the storm. He said:

² “Who is this that obscures my plans
with words without knowledge?

³ Brace yourself like a man;
I will question you,
and you shall answer me.

⁴ “Where were you when I laid the earth’s foundation?
Tell me, if you understand.” . . .

¹⁹ “What is the way to the abode of light?
And where does darkness reside?

²⁰ Can you take them to their places?
Do you know the paths to their dwellings?

²¹ Surely you know, for you were already born!
You have lived so many years!” . . .

³¹ “Can you bind the chains of the Pleiades?
Can you loosen Orion’s belt?

³² Can you bring forth the constellations in their seasons
or lead out the Bear with its cubs?

³³ Do you know the laws of the heavens?
Can you set up God’s dominion over the earth?” . . .

¹ The LORD said to Job:

² “Will the one who contends with the Almighty correct him?
Let him who accuses God answer him!”

³ Then Job answered the LORD:

⁴ “I am unworthy—how can I reply to you?
I put my hand over my mouth.

⁵ I spoke once, but I have no answer—
twice, but I will say no more.”

⁶ Then the LORD spoke to Job out of the storm:

⁷ “Brace yourself like a man;
I will question you,
and you shall answer me.

⁸ “Would you discredit my justice?
Would you condemn me to justify yourself?

⁹ Do you have an arm like God’s,
and can your voice thunder like his?” . . .

¹ “Can you pull in Leviathan with a fishhook
or tie down its tongue with a rope?

² Can you put a cord through its nose
or pierce its jaw with a hook?” . . .

¹ Then Job replied to the LORD:

² “I know that you can do all things;
no purpose of yours can be thwarted.

³ You asked, ‘Who is this that obscures my plans without knowledge?’
Surely I spoke of things I did not understand,
things too wonderful for me to know.

⁴ “You said, ‘Listen now, and I will speak;
I will question you,
and you shall answer me.’

⁵ My ears had heard of you
but now my eyes have seen you.

⁶ Therefore I despise myself
and repent in dust and ashes.” . . .

¹⁰ After Job had prayed for his friends, the LORD restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before. ¹¹ All his brothers and sisters and everyone who had known him before came and ate with him in his house. They comforted and consoled him over all the trouble the LORD had brought on him, and each one gave him a piece of silver and a gold ring.

¹² The LORD blessed the latter part of Job’s life more than the former part. He had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen and a thousand donkeys. ¹³ And he also had seven sons and three daughters.

¹⁴ The first daughter he named Jemimah, the second Keziah and the third Keren-Happuch. ¹⁵ Nowhere in all the land were there found women as

beautiful as Job's daughters, and their father granted them an inheritance along with their brothers.

¹⁶ After this, Job lived a hundred and forty years; he saw his children and their children to the fourth generation. ¹⁷ And so Job died, an old man and full of years.

Who's Asking the Questions?

Song

"How Great Thou Art"

Hymn #256

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

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

"It Is Well with My Soul"

On the screens

Silent Prayer

When the way grows drear,
Precious Lord, linger near,
When my life is almost gone,
Hear my cry, hear my call,
Hold my hand lest I fall.
Take my hand, precious Lord;
Lead me home.

Cross of Christ Weekly Newsletter

August 28, 2022

Aug 28-Sept 4	Boise	Nampa
Sunday	8:30am - Worship (also livestreamed at cocidaho.org/livestream) 9:45am-10:45am - Adult/Teen Bible Study (Chapel) Kids' Sunday School (Gym & Classrooms) 11:00am - Worship	9:30am - Worship (6134 Birch Ln) 10:45am - Family Bible Study & Kids' Sunday School (6134 Birch Ln)
Mon-Wed		
Thursday	6:30pm - Sunday School staff kick-off/orientation	
Friday		
Saturday	5:00pm - Evening Worship w/Communion	
Sunday	8:30am - Worship w/Communion (also livestreamed at cocidaho.org/livestream) 9:45am-10:45am - Monthly Ministry Discussion (all invited, Chapel) Teen Class starts today! (Conference Room) Kids' Sunday School (Gym & Classrooms) 11:00am - Worship w/Communion	9:30am - Worship w/Communion (6134 Birch Ln) 10:45am - Monthly Ministry Meeting (all invited) (6134 Birch Ln)

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!

Mommy and Me: September 2

The next Mommy and Me session is this Friday, September 2, 10-11 am at the North Nampa campus (6134 Birch Lane). We'll be learning all about the zoo through stories, songs, crafts, and activities! This is best for ages 6 and under to enjoy with their caregiver. Come and invite a friend! If you are brand new to Mommy and Me please register at cocidaho.org/connect/mommy-and-me/.

Ministry Planning and Discussion Next Sunday: Boise Campus

Next Sunday, September 4, we'll use the adult Bible class hour (9:45am-10:45am) to discuss ministry opportunities, plans, and guiding principles at the Boise campus.

Specifically in this next session: discovering community service opportunities as outreach, organizing our Fall Festival, and goal-setting as a ministry. 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!

Upcoming Worship Series: Take Up Your Cross

Jesus said, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me" (Matt. 16:24). The life of a child of God often leads us down the more difficult road. How can we walk these roads, carry our crosses, and still see the joy of Christ? We'll take the month of September to consider these crosses in youth, in middle age, and in the golden years. May you see in this series that you're not alone in your struggles and that Christ carried his cross for you, too. May we also be encouraged to think through what those around us may be carrying so we can be a blessing to them as well.

Cross of Christ Preschool: Room for You & Your Friends!

The first day of Preschool is September 6, but there are still openings for the upcoming school year, especially in the new full-day slots! Register online at cocidaho.org/preschool, or contact Andrea Becker (registrar@cocboise.org) with questions.

Operation Dartstorm!

Sixth-12th graders, mark your calendars for Sunday September 11, 12:15-3:00pm: pizza lunch followed by a Tactical Nerf Strategy Event! More details to come. For more info or to help out, contact Mandy Watkins (210-425-3270 or amanda.watkins99@yahoo.com).

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.

SUNDAY	Time	Location	Participants	Begins
Cross Connections Class	9:45am	Boise	Anyone!	Sept 11
Teen Class	9:45am	Boise	9th-12th grade	Sept 11
Confirmation Class	9:45am	Boise	7th grade & older	Sept 11
Sunday school	9:45am	Boise	2yo-6th grade; please register at tinyurl.com/CoCSundaySchoolFall22	Sept 11
Cross Connections Class	10:45am	Nampa	Anyone!	Sept 11
Sunday school	10:45am	Nampa	3yo-6th grade; please register at tinyurl.com/CoCSundaySchoolFall22	Sept 11
Confirmation Class	4:00-5:00pm	Nampa	7th grade & older	Sept 11
Growth Group option	4:00-5:00pm	Nampa	Adults; register at tinyurl.com/COCGGFall2022	Sept 18
CrossTrainers	5-7pm, 1st Sun of the month	Nampa	9th-12th grade	Nov 6
MONDAYS				
Women's Bible Study	10:00am	Boise	Any and all women!	Sept 12

TUESDAY				
DivorceCare	7:00pm	Boise	Register at cocidaho.org .	Sept 6
WEDNESDAY				
Growth Group options	6:30pm	Various	Adults; register at tinyurl.com/COCGGFall2022	Sept 21
CrossTrainers	7-9pm	Boise	9th-12th grade	Sept 7
THURSDAY				
Growth Group options	10am & 7:00pm	Various	Adults; register at tinyurl.com/COCGGFall2022	Sept 22
GriefShare	6:30pm	Nampa	Register at cocidaho.org .	Sept 8
SATURDAY				
Growth Group option	6:30pm	Boise	Women's group; register at tinyurl.com/COCGGFall2022	Oct 1

Fall Growth Groups

These small group Bible studies meet at church or in members' homes to connect with fellow Christians, study God's Word, and help each other live it out. Register for a group at tinyurl.com/COCGGFall2022 or on the Boise bulletin board. This session will run September-October.

Sunday Morning Cross Connections

Cross Connections is designed to help you connect to God, purpose, and community at the cross of Christ. It serves 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. 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 Sunday evenings at 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).

People in God's Word this past week	Boise	Nampa	Total
Sunday Morning Adult/Teen Bible Study	43	34	77
Kids' Sunday School	20	11	31
Cross Connections	3		3
Last Weekend's Worship	84+70+29	89	272
Livestream Views	5		

<i>General Fund Offerings Planned FY 22-23</i>	\$781,660
General Fund Offerings Planned FYTD	\$120,255
General Fund Offerings FYTD	\$121,543
Total Offerings Last Weekend (All Funds)	\$7,974

Serving	August 28		Sept 4	
	Nampa	Boise	Nampa	Boise
Music	A. Lange, C. Harris, D. Harris	K. Koepsell, J. Hein, L. Neujahr, S. DeWall	R. Dodd, K. Wetzel	K. Koepsell
AV Tech	J. Malnes, S. Tews	K. Koepsell, G. Light, B. Berrier, J. Meier	J. Malnes, S. Tews, G. Light	K. Koepsell, A. Becker, TBA
Altar Care	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	D. McLain, C. Biggs	K. Guthmiller, C. Harris	C. Biggs, K. Struthers
Ushers	n/a	K. Benedick, B. Turley, TBA	n/a	TBA
Open & Close	n/a	M. Johnson, L. Manglos	n/a	KC Broyles, R. Lange
Coffee	Guthmiller	C. Berrier, D. McLain	Guthmiller	R. Ritger, K. Struthers
Flowers	n/a	T. Gruenhagen	n/a	Watkins
Lawn Crew	n/a	Team Meier	n/a	B. Whitaker, P. Jossis
Bulletin Folders	Ritger, Ford, Ashley		Bafus, Guthmiller	
Tellers	Rule, Turley, Hudson		TBA	