



CROSS OF CHRIST

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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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 the 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

“Jesus Sinners Does Receive”

Welcomed into the Family of God

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

Congregation: Amen!

Our God invites us to come into his holy presence openly and honestly. There is no need to hide any part of us, because all of who we are is seen by him. Therefore, let us come before our Lord as we are, acknowledging our sinfulness and trusting in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. My sins ought to separate me from you forever. Yet, you chose to love me anyway. You rescued me through the cross of Christ. May I daily live in the peace of your unfailing love.

God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and sent Jesus, his only Son, to live perfectly for us and to die for us in order to balance the scales of justice. Now, he eagerly welcomes us home into his family of grace and clothes us with the righteousness of Christ himself. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Settle in with Jesus and his family, equally loved and accepted.

Amen!

Prayer

Lord God Almighty, rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to your return and the end of all that is evil. Hold us firm in faith knowing that you will present us in the end as holy and blameless in your sight; 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

Malachi 4:1-6

¹ “Surely the day is coming; it will burn like a furnace. All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble, and the day that is coming will set them on fire,” says the LORD Almighty. “Not a root or a branch will be left to them. ² But for you who revere my name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its rays. And you will go out and frolic like well-fed calves. ³ Then you will trample on the wicked; they will be ashes under the soles of your feet on the day when I act,” says the LORD Almighty.

⁴ “Remember the law of my servant Moses, the decrees and laws I gave him at Horeb for all Israel.

⁵ “See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before that great and dreadful day of the LORD comes. ⁶ He will turn the hearts of the parents to their children, and the hearts of the children to their parents; or else I will come and strike the land with total destruction.”

God's Word

Luke 21:5-19

⁵ Some of his disciples were remarking about how the temple was adorned with beautiful stones and with gifts dedicated to God. But Jesus said, ⁶ “As for what you see here, the time will come when not one stone will be left on another; every one of them will be thrown down.”

⁷ “Teacher,” they asked, “when will these things happen? And what will be the sign that they are about to take place?”

⁸ He replied: “Watch out that you are not deceived. For many will come in my name, claiming, ‘I am he,’ and, ‘The time is near.’ Do not follow them. ⁹ When you hear of wars and uprisings, do not be frightened. These things must happen first, but the end will not come right away.”

¹⁰ Then he said to them: “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. ¹¹ There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven.

¹² “But before all this, they will seize you and persecute you. They will hand you over to synagogues and put you in prison, and you will be brought before kings and governors, and all on account of my name. ¹³ And so you will bear testimony to me. ¹⁴ But make up your mind not to worry beforehand how you

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

"The Gospel Song"

On screens

Silent Prayer

Mighty God, someday I will stand before you. Strengthen my faith so that I face that day with confidence in the work of Christ, my Savior. Right now, keep me from the sin that would harm me and would seek to take me from your side. Come quickly, Lord Jesus! Amen.

Offerings

If you would like to give an offering to support gospel ministry at and through Cross of Christ, there are offering plates on the table in the lobby where you may place your gift to the Lord. You can also give online at cocidaho.org/give.

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

November 13, 2022

| Nov 13-Nov 20 | Boise (11655 W. McMillan Road) | Nampa (6134 Birch Lane) |
|----------------------|---|--|
| Sunday | 8:30am – Worship 9:45am – Adult Bible Study (Chapel) Teen Bible Study (Conference Room) Confirmation Class (Rm 5) Kids’ Sunday School (Gym & Classrooms) 11:00am – Worship 1:00pm – Congregational Open Forum | 9:30am – Worship 10:45am – Family Bible Study & Kids’ Sunday School 4:00pm – Confirmation Class |
| Monday | | |
| Tuesday | 6:30am – Men’s Bible Study (Book of Joshua) | |
| Wednesday | 6:15am – Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm – CrossTrainers (HS) | |
| Thursday | | 6:30pm – GriefShare |
| Friday | | 10:00am – Mommy & Me Field Trip (“Jabbers”) |
| Saturday | 9:00am – Rake Up Boise 5:00pm – Evening Worship w/Communion | |
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THIS WEEK

Congregational Open Forum: THIS SUNDAY (lunch provided)

Boise campus, Sunday, November 13, 1:00 pm (virtual access will be provided)
Church leadership will share exciting goals for our church family and guiding principles for the in-process long-range ministry plan – and YOU get to ask questions, offer feedback, and start getting excited for how we can work together to accomplish all these goals to God’s glory!

A sandwich lunch will be provided ahead of the meeting start time. Childcare/supervision will be provided as well for kids age 2 through 8th grade in the gym. You don’t have to register to make use of it, but if you <can> sign up ahead of time (tinyurl.com/OpForKidsNov22), that will help us plan.

Mommy & Me Field Trip

Friday, November 18th- Play Date at “Jabbers” in Nampa. Cost is \$7 per child over the age of 12 months. Adults are free. We will meet there at 10 am. Check it out and register at cocidaho.org/connect/mommy-and-me/.

THIS MONTH

Open Choir Invitation

Adult Choir will sing for Christmas Day worship (Boise campus); anyone in high school & older is invited to participate! Any skill & experience level welcome. Choir rehearses Wednesdays, 6:15-7:15 pm, *beginning November 16*. Contact Kristen Koepsell (kristen.koepsell@cocidaho.org) to participate or get more information.

Rake Up Boise! November 19

Meet at the Boise campus 9:00 am, Saturday, November 19; bring work gloves and a rake if you can. We’ll gather around God’s Word and put our faith into action by serving others. Lunch is provided; **anyone can join in!** Please RSVP on the Boise bulletin board or to Pastor Brad (brad.snyder@cocidaho.org / 208-996-0862).

Grocery Outreach in Nampa: November 22

Grocery outreach supports families in our communities who could benefit from some fresh groceries. This month, we'll go out the Tuesday evening before Thanksgiving. If you'd like to donate groceries and/or participate in distribution, please contact Gina Garza (nampa.admin@cocidaho.org).

Thanksgiving Worship: November 23

All are invited to gather on Thanksgiving Eve, **Wednesday, November 23, 6:30 pm at either of our Boise or Nampa campuses**, to thank our God for all his goodness!

Please note: No Saturday evening worship (Boise campus) on November 26.

Christmas Decorating: November 26

If you're already listening to Christmas music, this is for YOU: Help decorate the Boise chapel and lobby for Christmas! **Saturday, November 26, 10:00am** (most likely done by noon). Email or text Ty Stavenau (tystavenau@gmail.com / 208-938-0886) to participate!

Preschool Pajama Drive

Our Preschool is hosting a pajama drive to help children facing instability have a cozy good night. **Pajamas are needed in any size (must be complete sets, top and bottom, or an appropriate nightgown)**. If you'd like to thank Jesus through this act of charity and love, simply donate a new pair of pajamas and put it into the designated box in the lobby. For each pair of pj's, Scholastic Books will match our gift with a new children's book as a reminder of how important a bedtime story can be. After all, good nights can sure help to provide good days! **Deadline for donations is December 2 so donate your pajamas ASAP!**

Christmas Flowers

To honor Jesus' birth by beautifying the Boise chapel for Christmas, sign up on the bulletin board to purchase various flowering plants (\$7.00-14.00 each). **Last day to request a plant is Wednesday, December 7th**. Thank you in advance for making God's house so beautiful; after the last service on Christmas Eve or Day, take your plants home to enjoy! Contact Dick or Kay Guthmiller with any questions (208-850-8809).

NEXT MONTH

Sisters in Christ Christmas Party - Save-the-Date!

All ladies, middle school (6th grade) and older are invited to gather for this very special evening focusing on Jesus, our Savior. This will be held on Sunday, December 4th. Exact time and further details to come!

| People in God's Word this past week | Boise | Nampa | Total |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Cross Connections/Teen Bible Study | 34/8 | 48 | 90 |
| Kids' Sunday School/Confirmation | 25/9 | /4 | 38 |
| Men's Bible Study | 7 | | 7 |
| CrossTrainers | 11 | 8 | 19 |
| Last Weekend's Worship | 92+72+18 | 76 | 262 |
| Livestream Views | 6 | | |

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| <i>General Fund Offerings Planned FY 22-23</i> | \$781,660 |
| General Fund Offerings Planned FYTD | \$285,607 |
| General Fund Offerings FYTD | \$267,415 |
| Total Offerings Last Weekend (All Funds) | \$10,114 |

| Serving | Nov 13 | | Nov 20 | |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|---|
| | Nampa | Boise | Nampa | Boise |
| Music | K. Koepsell | A. Lange, F. Faucheaux | TBA | K. Koepsell, B. Evans, M. Evans, S. Whitaker |
| AV Tech | J. Malnes, S. Tews | K. Koepsell, G. Light, M. Hartman | J. Malnes, S. Tews | NEEDED |
| Altar Care | K. Guthmiller, C. Harris | McLain, Biggs | K. Guthmiller, C. Harris | McLain, Biggs |
| Ushers | n/a | B. Adams, J. Berrier, L. Manglos, A. Manglos | TBA | J. Berrier, L. Manglos, A. Manglos |
| Open & Close | n/a | KC Broyles, H. Geary | n/a | B. Masters, L. Manglos |
| Coffee | Guthmiller | C. Berrier, D. McLain | Guthmiller | C. Berrier, D. McLain |
| Flowers | n/a | Rule | n/a | DeWall |
| Kitchen Cleaning | n/a | N. Banner, D. Ehlke, K. Ehlke | n/a | R&H Burke |
| Bulletin Folders | n/a | Kimmel, Whitlach | n/a | Ritger, Ford, Ashley |
| Tellers | Rule, Walden, Hudson | | Turley, Morford, Reglin | |