

Sunday Worship
November 1, 2026

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 worshiping together with all ages! The service includes a children's message specifically for them, and busy bags geared for toddlers to about age 5 are available in the lobby (canvas totes hung near each entrance table). The lobby also provides plenty of space for moving around when needed! Video and audio of the worship service are available in the lobby to assist families with their worship, as well as in the private parents' room, located in the alcove to your left as you exit the chapel.

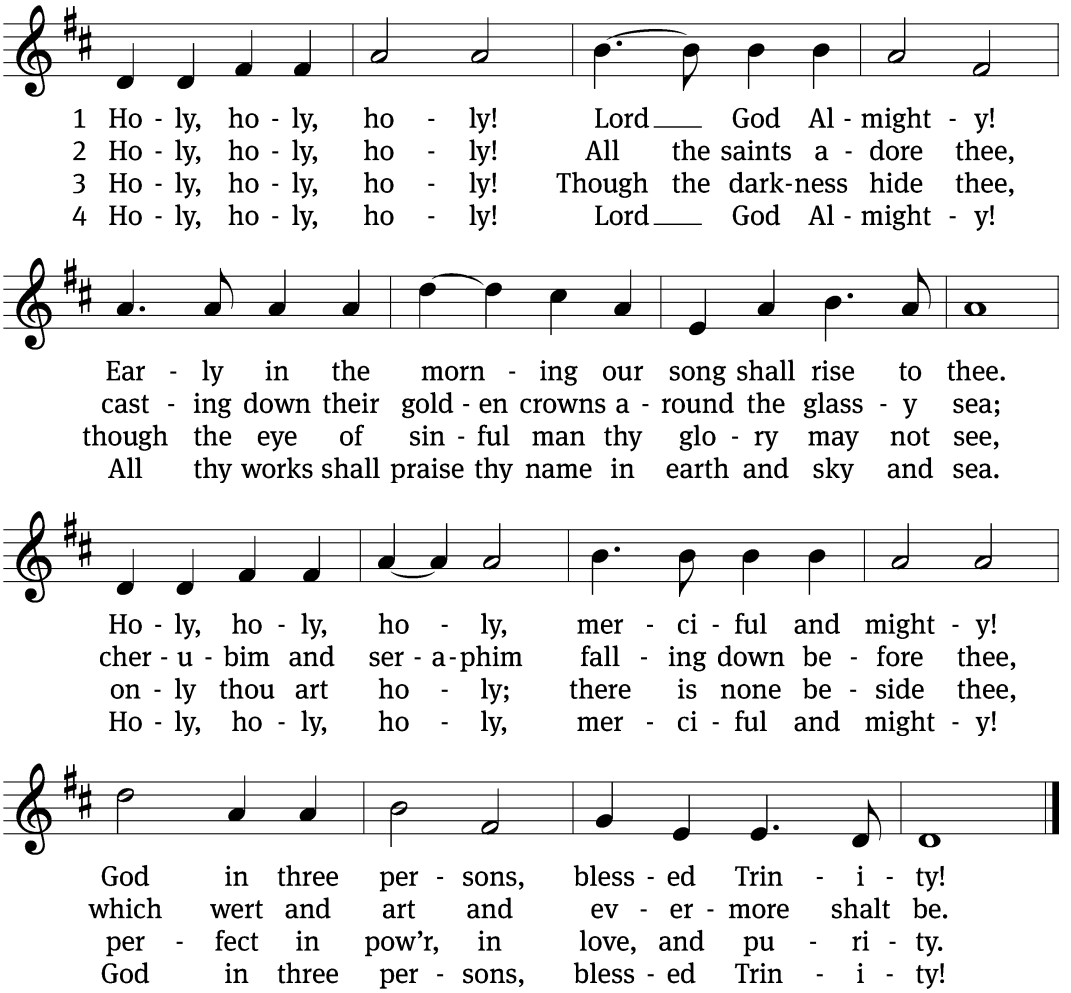
Don't feel obligated. Our members give offerings to God as an expression of our thanks and praise for his amazing love. Visitors, please know that you are our guests. We're happy you came today to hear about Jesus and the gifts he gives us. You're not expected to give an offering; it's your choice.

Make yourself at home. After worship, we linger 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.

Opening Song "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"



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A Dialogue of Repentance and Forgiveness

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

Congregation: Amen.

As the body of Christ in this world, we gather to worship, we grow together in the Word, we go with the good news of Christ, and we serve one another in love. But serving others doesn't come naturally. In fact, we can be pretty self-serving and at times ignore the needs of others around us. Our selfishness is sin, and we need Jesus to keep making us more like him. Today, again, let's leave our sins at the cross, trusting in Jesus as our perfect Savior.

All-powerful and gracious God, I confess that I was sinful from birth. My whole life, I naturally thought about myself instead of others. I've put myself first, instead of loving you most and helping those around me. I'm sorry for my sins. Thank you for still forgiving me. Thank you for always loving me! Thank you for Jesus, my Savior.

Jesus came to this world as the great Servant. He put himself last and you first, giving up his life on the cross so that you can be forgiven. And now he lives and rules in heaven. By believing in him, you will live forever! All is forgiven. You are saved and loved as a member of God's family. Live as God's children as you serve one another in love.

Amen!

Prayer

Lord Jesus, mighty King of creation, you came to this world to serve, not to be served. Send your Spirit to make us more like you, that we would humbly serve others with mercy and genuine love for each other; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

God's Word — Isaiah 6:1-8

1 In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on
a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. 2 Above him were
seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with
two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. 3 And they were
calling to one another:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty;
the whole earth is full of his glory."

4 At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the
temple was filled with smoke.

5 "Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live
among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the LORD
Almighty."

6 Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he
had taken with tongs from the altar. 7 With it he touched my mouth and said,
"See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned
for."

8 Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will
go for us?"

And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

God's Word — Matthew 9:35-37

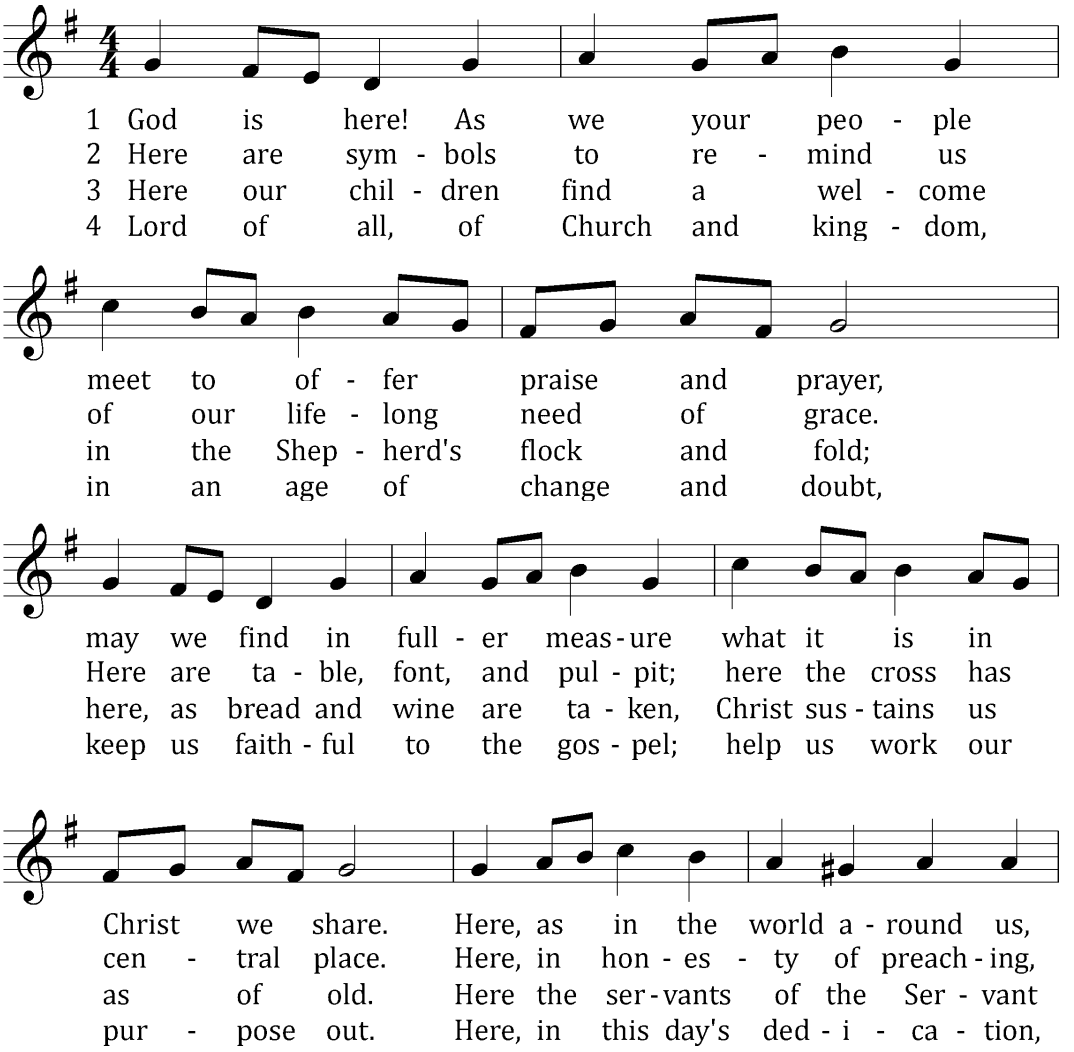
35 Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues,
proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and
sickness. 36 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because
they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. 37 Then he
said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few."

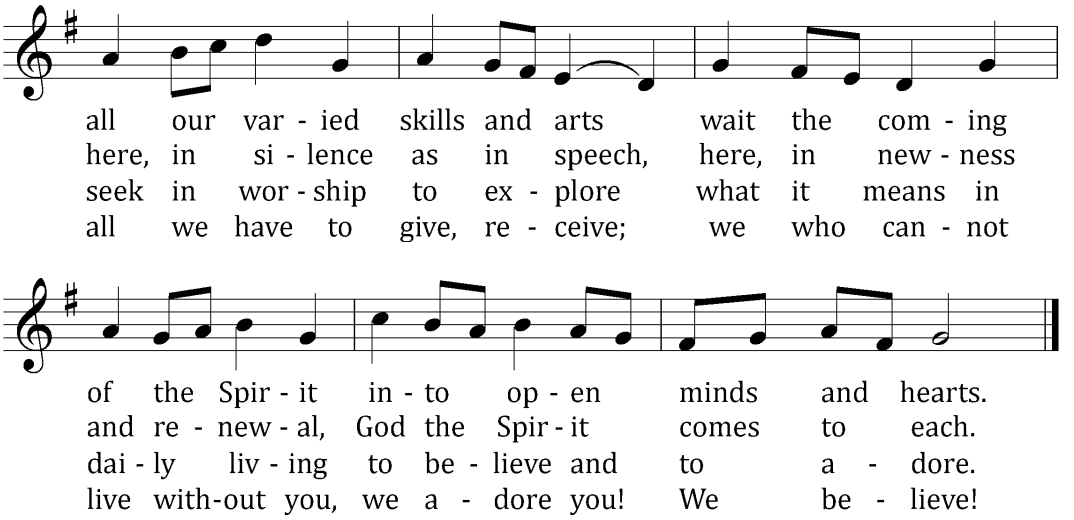
Children's Message

8:30am service

Song

"God Is Here! As We Your People"





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Message from God's Word — Ephesians 4:7-16

7 But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. 8 This is
why it says:

"When he ascended on high,
he took many captives
and gave gifts to his people."

9 (What does "he ascended" mean except that he also descended to the lower,
earthly regions? 10 He who descended is the very one who ascended higher
than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe.) 11 So Christ himself
gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, 12 to
equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built
up 13 until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of
God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of
Christ.

14 Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and
blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and
craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. 15 Instead, speaking the truth
in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who
is the head, that is, Christ. 16 From him the whole body, joined and held
together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as
each part does its work.

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.

Our Mission: Impacting Lives for Eternity

Thank-Offerings

If you would like to give an offering in-person to support gospel ministry at and through Cross of Christ, in gratitude to our gracious God, offering plates are available in the lobby. You can also give your gift online at cocidaho.org/give.

SCAN TO GIVE

Prayer & 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

The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians, united around a common confession of faith. Therefore, we ask only those who have made that public confession of faith by being a member of our congregation or another WELS or ELS congregation come forward to receive Communion. Guests, please ask one of our pastors if you have questions. We are eager to listen and visit with you about the blessings of this Supper and of that unity at a convenient time.

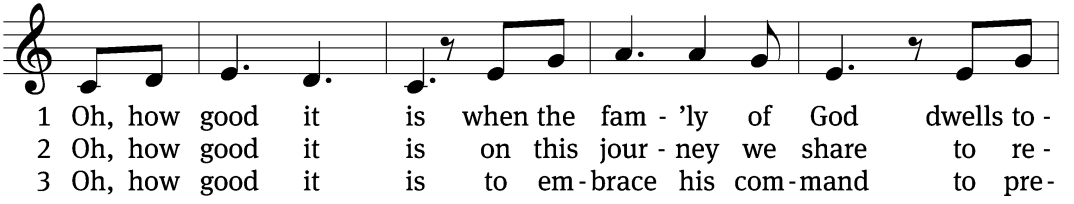
Words of Institution

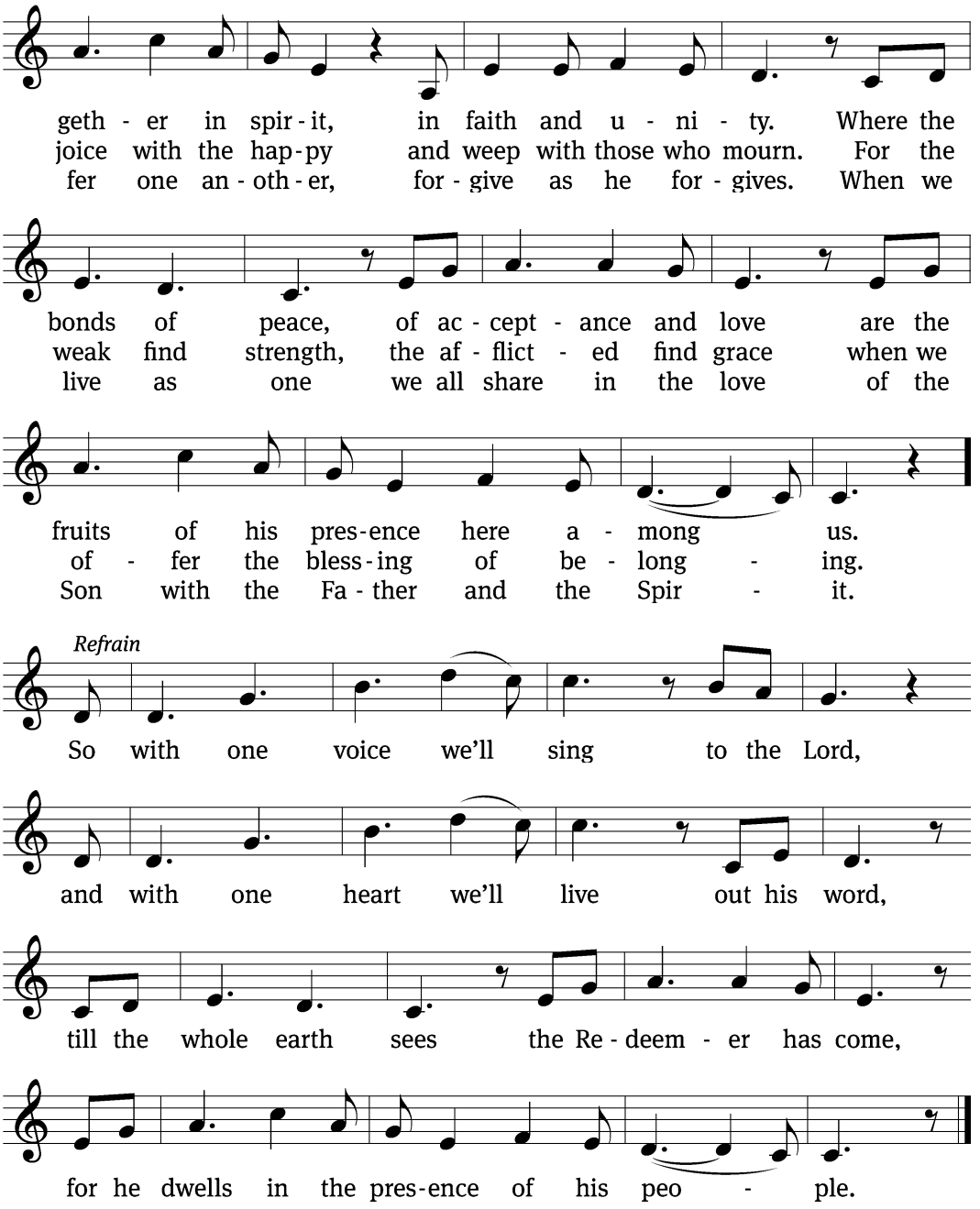
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

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.

Song During Distribution "Oh, How Good It Is"

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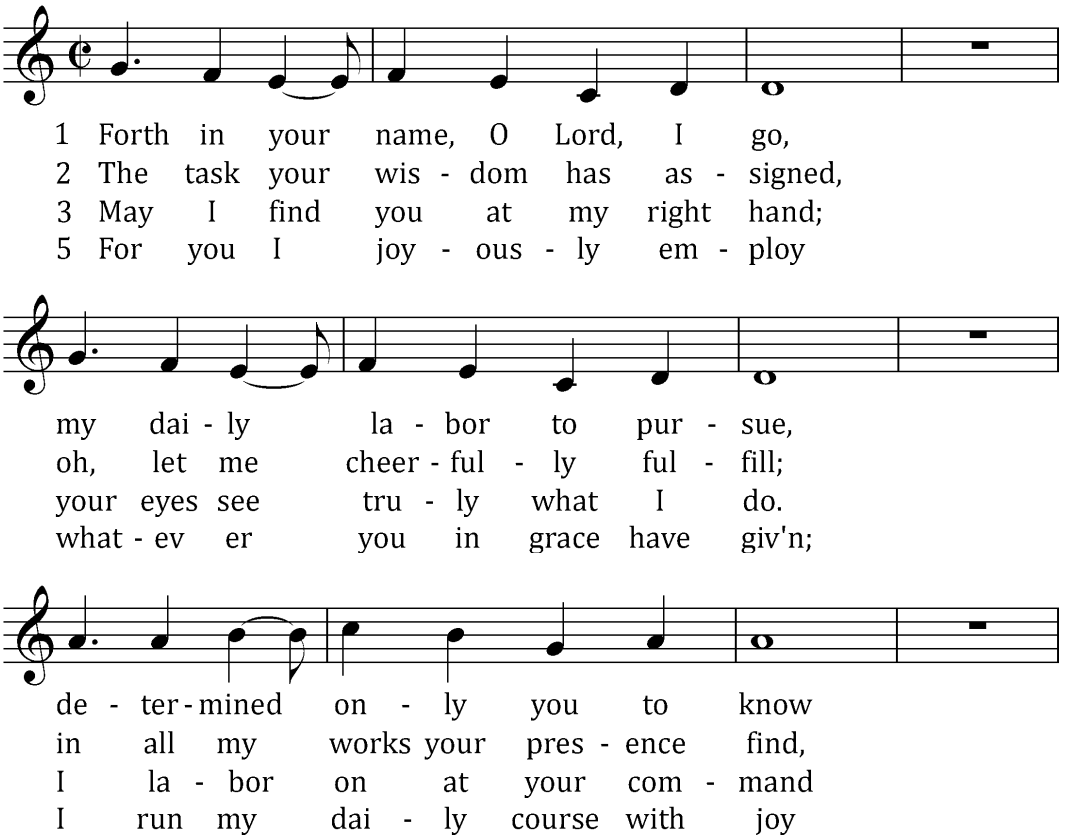
weak find strength, the af - flict - ed find grace when we
live as one we all share in the love of the
fruits of his pres - ence here a - mong us.
of - fer the bless - ing of be - long - ing.
Son with the Fa - ther and the Spir - it.
Refrain
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,
and with one heart we'll live out his word,
till the whole earth sees the Re - deem - er has come,
for he dwells in the pres - ence of his peo - ple.

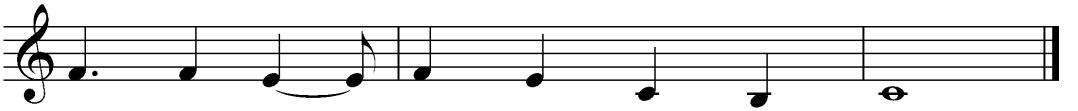
Blessing

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 "Forth in Your Name"





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Personal Prayer

Eternal God, thank you for humbly coming into this world to serve. Thank you for serving me and giving me a place in your kingdom. Open my eyes more and more to the opportunities you give me each day to use the many gifts you've given me to be a blessing to others and advance the work of your kingdom. Amen

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Calendar & Announcements

Nov 1-8	**Boise** (11655 W McMillan Rd)	**Nampa** (6134 Birch Lane)
Sunday	8:30am – Worship (Communion) 9:45am – Monthly Ministry Discussion (Chapel) Confirmation Class (Rm 7) Kids' Sunday School (Gym & Classrooms) 11:00am – Worship (Communion)	9:30am – Worship (Communion) 10:45am – Monthly Ministry Discussion Confirmation Class (no kids' Sunday school)
Monday	10:00am & 6:30pm – Women's Bible Study	
Tuesday	6:30pm – Cross Connections	
Wednesday	6:30pm – Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm – CrossTrainers	
Thursday		6:30pm – Men's & Women's Bible Studies 6:30pm – Cross Connections
Saturday	9:00am – GriefShare 10am-3pm – Craft Fair (hosted by Crafted Connection)	
Sunday	8:30am – Worship 9:45am – Adult/Teen Bible Study (Chapel) Confirmation Class (Rm 7) Kids' Sunday School (Gym & Classrooms) 11:00am – Worship	9:30am – Worship 10:45am – Spiritual Growth: **All groups begin in the worship space.** • Adult/Teen Bible Study • Confirmation Class • Kids' Sunday school

THIS WEEK

November Worship Series: SEND ME
Sundays, November 1 - 22 • 8:30 or 11:00 am

What's your purpose in God's kingdom? Let's encourage each other through our new worship series to see our individual roles in both the shared ministry of Cross of Christ and in living out our individual identities as ambassadors for Christ.

We'll look at the ways God *called* and *equipped* people throughout Scripture to represent his kingdom and impact lives for eternity. In this way, we'll strive to become the church we've envisioned and to each answer God's call with a confident, "Here am I, send me."



Monthly Ministry Discussion Today
Sunday, November 1 • 9:45am

Your opportunity to not just know what's going on at Cross of Christ, but to offer input, ask questions, and help make plans!

This month, we'll *reflect on our Fall Festival, look ahead to some fellowship and service opportunities, and continue to build on our Everyone Outreach workshop* as we work together to grow our culture of outreach.

Thanks for a Phenomenal Fall Festival!

What an exciting afternoon it was last Sunday, welcoming about 300 members of our community onto our campus, serving them, and connecting with them in a variety of ways. Now join us in praying that God blesses those connections and provides us with more ways to meet and love our neighbors.

Craft Fair Hosted at Boise Campus
Saturday, November 7 • 10:00am – 3:00pm

All are invited as Crafted Connection (craftedconnection.org) hosts a holiday craft fair in the Boise campus gym: toys, candles, baked goods, jewelry, and more. Cross of Christ will also have a booth to interact with guests and share info about our ministry!

SERVE Opportunity: Sunday Morning Hospitality!

Warm and welcoming hospitality on a Sunday is yet another bridge toward meaningful connections with our guests – and a blessing for members, too!

Could you contribute to these connections by serving on the coffee crew?

Commitment and scheduling are flexible: You'd sign yourself up for the Sundays that work for you; you can choose one or more shifts on any given Sunday.

To get more details or to get started, email Member Ministry Coordinator Katherine Jones (k.m.jones@icloud.com).

Christmas Flowers

To honor Jesus' birth, purchase flowering plants to beautify the Boise chapel. See the sign up on the lobby bulletin board for details. Last day to request a plant is Sunday, November 29, so don't delay! After the last service on Christmas Eve or Day, take your plants home to enjoy! Contact Darlene McLane with questions (208-914-3912).

Cross of Christ Gear: Now thru December 1

Cross of Christ branded apparel is available for purchase for a limited time! (Christmas gifts, anyone??) See the link in the Friday member email for viewing & ordering items, or go to tinyurl.com/CoC-Apparel-2026.

- You'll pay online when you order.
- **Ordering closes December 1;** items will then be shipped to Cross of Christ.
- You'll be notified when your order is ready for pick-up at Cross of Christ (at your preferred campus).

If you have any questions or issues, please contact Joe in the Boise office (admin@cocidaho.org).

UPCOMING

Sunday Morning Bible Study: My Vocation in Christ
Sundays, November 15-29, December 13-20 • 9:45am

Did you know that you are a "mask of God"? God "hides" behind you, as HE cares for our world and the people in it through YOU!

We call this truth *vocation*, which simply means "calling." *God has many callings for you* (mom/dad, wife/husband, sibling, employee/employer, citizen, etc.), *and even the most mundane of them is a "mask" that God hides behind!*

Be refreshed and empowered by the truths of vocation as we learn and embrace what God has to say about it for these five weeks.

Guest Preacher & Special Presentation: Creative Ways to Support Ministry
Sunday, November 8 • worship at 8:30 or 11am • presentation at 9:45am

Like everything in our society, it's getting more expensive to do ministry in our communities. How will we be able to continue and even expand the ministry God has given us? It will take all of us prayerfully considering the ways we can support it.

On Sunday, November 8, representatives from our national church body's *Ministry of Christian Giving* will offer spiritual encouragement during worship and present during the adult Bible hour on *unique financial vehicles and strategies* to wisely and creatively use what God has given us for the growing of his kingdom.

Turkey Bingo & Chili Cookoff
Saturday, November 14 • 4-6pm • here at church

Come hang out with your church family for Turkey Bingo and a chili cook-off! (What is Turkey Bingo, you ask? Why, Bingo with a turkey theme, of course!)

- Think you've got a good **chili recipe**? Register for the competition on the lobby bulletin board.
- Please consider contributing **a side for our communal meal,** also on the lobby bulletin board.
- We'll also be taking donations of prizes for both the cook-off and bingo – more info on that next week!

Griefshare: Surviving the Holidays
Saturday, December 5 • 1:00-3:00pm

The holidays can be additionally difficult after experiencing a loss. This single-session program uses a teaching video, workbook, and group discussion to help you acknowledge the challenges and find practical strategies for coping.

- Saturday, December 5
- 1:00 – 3:00pm
- at Cross of Christ's Nampa campus (6134 Birch Lane)
- Registration and participation are free!

In addition to the seminar itself, you'll receive your own copy of the GriefShare Survival Guide: *Navigating the Holidays After Loss.* This compassionate book is filled with practical tips and gentle encouragement to help you during the holiday season, one day at a time.

Register at cocidaho.org/connect/holidays. Learn more about the program itself at holidays.griefshare.org. If you are struggling following the loss of a loved one, and you would like to speak with a pastor, please feel free to contact any of our pastors (info on the first page of this worship folder).

All-Church Thanksgiving Eve Worship
Wednesday, November 25 • 6:30pm • here at the Boise campus

This will be a special celebration bringing together both Cross of Christ campuses in one place. Come and enjoy time with your church family. If you have Thanksgiving guests of your own, please bring them along!

Would you consider providing an appetizer to share, for our fellowship time? *Please see the sign-up on the lobby bulletin board.*

- Appetizers & fellowship beginning at 5:00pm
- Worship at 6:30pm
- Appetizers & fellowship continue after the service!

Having spent our November Sunday mornings considering how God has called and equipped us individually and collectively to build his kingdom, we'll come together on Thanksgiving Eve to give thanks for our partnership across campuses and for the ways God has and will continue to bless us.

SERVE Opportunity: Time to Rake!
Saturday, November 21 • 9am – approx. 12pm

Help rake leaves and clean up yards for several fellow Cross of Christ members!

We'll meet here at church Nov 21 at 9am and split into teams for as many yards as needed; expect to work all morning. Bring gloves if you want them, a rake and/or leaf blower if you can. Lunch provided! **Please RSVP on the lobby bulletin board or at tinyurl.com/BoiseRakeup2026.**

Or be served! If you're in need of assistance raking your yard, please contact the Boise office (208-375-3992, admin@cocidaho.org) by Saturday, November 14.

Christmas Worship Schedule!

	Boise Campus	**Nampa Campus**
Sunday, 12/13	Sunday school & confirmation students participate in 11am worship	Sunday school & confirmation students participate in worship
Christmas Eve (Thurs)	3pm or 5pm	2pm or 4pm
Christmas Day (Fri)	10:00am	← *one all-church service at the Boise campus*

Staff Ministry Intern

Cross of Christ will have the privilege next semester of hosting an intern, Mary Niebuhr, from the Staff Ministry program at Martin Luther College (our church body's ministry training school). Staff ministers are trained in a variety of ministry areas; their internship provides real-life experience to go with classroom training.

Mary will be here mid-January to mid-May 2027, and we're responsible for providing her with housing – a host family with whom she can live for those four months. If you'd like to know more about serving as her host family, please get in touch with Kristen as soon as possible (kristen.koepsell@cocidaho.org / 208-922-8422).

People in God's Word	Boise	Nampa	Total
Sunday Morning Worship	117/89	111	317
Livestream Views	10		
Adult Bible Study	22	29	51
Kids' Sunday School	23	10	33
Men's/Women's Bible Study	NA/9	NA/6	15

General Fund Offerings Planned FY 26-27	$985,228
General Fund Planned FYTD	$322,094
General Fund Offerings FYTD	$229,139
Total Offerings Last Week (All Funds)	$30,188

Serving	November 1	November 8
Altar Care	D. McLain, K. Tiffany	K. Tiffany
AV	C. Klink, M. Hartman, J. Meier	E. Christianson, J. Barnhardt, D. Wilson
Bulletins	R. Ritger, B. Robbins	Y. Whitlach, D. Ashley
Coffee	K. Jones	K. Jones
Flowers	M. Lowry	C. Seibel
Greeters	B. Masters, J. Masters R. Lange, A. Lange	M. Arstein, D. Arstein M. Lowry, B. Lowry
Music	J. Hein, K. Koepsell	A. Lange, K. Christianson
Tellers	Turley, Walden, Christianson	Rule, Hudson, Davidson
Ushers	B. Adams; M. Boltz, B. Turley	B. Walters; M. Boltz