



# CROSS OF CHRIST Lutheran Church

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

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Youth Service

## Welcome to Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

We are a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), a part of the worldwide Lutheran Church body. We invite you to join us for worship, and for a variety of opportunities for growth and service. If you are new here, welcome! If you are newly returned to church, we rejoice with you! If you are a member, we celebrate your involvement in this faith community! You do not need to be a member to participate in our ministry and mission.

### Mission Statement

*Cross of Christ Lutheran Church invites all to join in celebrating Christ's love as we worship, learn, and serve.*

As Lutheran Christians, we are committed to the gift of grace that God brings to the world through Jesus Christ. On the cross, Jesus bridges the divide that we place between ourselves and God. In Jesus' life, death and resurrection we are given forgiveness and hope for today and for eternity. As a congregation, we experience the love of Jesus in scripture, in the sacraments of Holy Communion and Baptism, and in giving of ourselves in our community and in our world.

Our congregation's mission and vision are centered on worship, learning and service:

**Worship:** We offer a place to gather in Word and Sacrament, inspiring all to walk as children of God.

**Learning:** We invite and engage all to strengthen their faith, deepen their relationship with God, and empower them to share their faith with others.

**Service:** We inspire all to share their God-given gifts in service to the church, the community, and the world.

### Our Core Values

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church boldly meets the future in our ever-changing world.

We welcome individuals and families of all types to share in the grace and acceptance found in our community.

Together we worship and learn, as we study and strive to live the Word of God in our everyday vocations.

In our neighborhoods and in our world, we extend helping hands, offering ourselves in service to others and sharing our

An Automated External Defibrillator (AED) is mounted on the right (north) side of the main hallway, just before the restrooms.

Prayer Requests may be phoned to the church office (303-469-4004), emailed to [churchoffice@cross-of-christ.org](mailto:churchoffice@cross-of-christ.org), or put in the prayer box located in the Narthex. Our Prayer Team is made up of people who are dedicated to pray for others

Mobile Giving is available via the Vanco app on your iPhone or Android device. Giving by text is also available. Please text your dollar amount to 1-866-601-2815 and include a dollar sign before the amount (ex. \$50) Online Giving is available [www.cross-of-christ.org/give](http://www.cross-of-christ.org/give)

**Children's Worship Space:** We know that children are active! So we invite you and your children to use:  
Carpeted area: Worship through movement. Feel free to use items in this space or take them to a "pew seat."  
Booster cushions: Need a better view? Please take a booster cushion to your seat and return it to the hooks in the narthex after worship.

Reusable Worship Bags: Pick yours up from the church office.

Take & Keep Worship Bags: Activity bags are available in the narthex for visitors and those inevitable times when we forget our reusable bags.

Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. Closed Fridays.

### Summer Worship Schedule

9:00 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion

10:30 a.m. Youth Parent Meeting – Fellowship Hall

### Altar Flowers given this week by:

Eldon and Barbara Almquist

In celebration of their  
60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

# GATHERING

*The pastors and assisting minister will read the normal print.  
Congregation responds with bold print.*

## PRELUDE

Revelation Song

Megan Mellenthien

Kari Jobe

## WELCOME

## INVOCATION

## OPENING HYMN

Here I Am to Worship

Tim Hughes

Verse 1

Light of the world  
You stepped down into darkness  
Opened my eyes, let me see  
Beauty that made this heart adore You  
Hope of a life spent with You

Verse 2

King of all days, oh, so highly exalted  
Glorious in heaven above  
Humbly You came  
To the earth You created  
All for love's sake became poor

Chorus

Here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that You're my God  
You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me

Chorus

Bridge *(Repeat Three Times)*

I'll never know  
How much it cost  
To see my sin  
Upon that cross

Chorus *(Repeat Three Times)*

## OPENING PRAYER

# WORD

## FIRST READING

Philippians 4:4-13

A reading from the book of Philippians.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

I rejoice in the Lord greatly that now at last you have revived your concern for me; indeed, you were concerned for me, but had no opportunity to show it. Not that I am referring to being in need; for I have learned to be content with whatever I have. I know what it is to have little, and I know what it is to have plenty. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being well-fed and of going hungry, of having plenty and of being in need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

God speaks to us in many ways.  
You reach out to us in your spoken word.

## SECOND READING

Colossians 2:6-7

A reading from the book of Colossians.

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

God speaks to us in many ways.  
You reach out to us in your spoken word.

# CHILDREN'S TIME

Children's Gathering Song  
Down in My Heart

George W. Cooke

I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy,  
Down in my heart, (where?)  
Down in my heart, (where?)  
Down in my heart.  
I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy,  
Down in my heart, (where?)  
Down in my heart to stay.

## Children's Message

### Children's Church

*Children may follow the children's church leader to the Fellowship Hall. They will return during the Hymn of the Day.*

## GOSPEL LESSON

John 15:1-5

The Gospel according to St. John, the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter.  
Glory to you, O Lord.

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, O Christ.

## MESSAGE

# HYMN OF THE DAY

Reckless Love

Cory Asbury

Verse 1

Before I spoke a word,  
You were singing over me  
You have been so, so good to me  
Before I took a breath,  
You breathed Your life in me  
You have been so, so kind to me

Chorus

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless  
love of God  
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found,  
leaves the 99  
And I couldn't earn it  
I don't deserve it, still You give yourself away  
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,  
reckless love of God

Verse 2

When I was Your foe,  
still Your love fought for me  
You have been so, so good to me  
When I felt no worth,  
You paid it all for me  
You have been so, so kind to me

Chorus

Bridge *(Repeat Three Times)*

There's no shadow You won't light up  
Mountain You won't climb up  
Coming after me  
There's no wall You won't kick down  
Lie You won't tear down  
Coming after me

Chorus

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## PRAYER REFRAIN

Lord, Listen to Your Children

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

*The sign of Peace is not the same as saying “hello” to our neighbors. Rather, the Peace of Christ is a sign of forgiveness and love we receive in Holy Communion and our hope to be able to share that with each other in this community.*

The peace of the Lord be with you always,  
And also with you.

MEAL
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## OFFERINGS OF GIFTS AND MUSIC

*Children are invited to come forward with their offering and place it in the basket in front of the altar while the offering plates are being passed.*

## OFFERING MUSIC

Megan Mellenthien

Psalm 121

I lift my eyes up, up to the mountains.  
Where does my help come from?  
My help comes from you, Maker of Heaven,  
Creator of the earth.  
Oh, how I need you Lord. You are my only hope.  
You are my only prayer.  
So I will wait for you to come and rescue me,  
To come and give me life. *(Repeat)*

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to all to drink, saying “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.”

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*All are welcome at Jesus' table. He gives of himself in the bread and wine, and invites us to receive it for the forgiveness of sin.*

*Please form two lines in the aisle as you come forward. Grape juice is available in the center of each tray of communion glasses for those who desire it; and gluten-free wafers are available from those serving. Pre-packaged communion is available up front for those who desire that option. If you need communion brought to you, please tell an usher. Children and adults who would like a blessing instead of receiving communion, please indicate this by crossing your hands over your chest.*

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

# LAMB OF GOD



1. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
2. Lamb of God, you break the chains of ha - tred and fear;
3. Lamb of God, you are the way of jus - tice and peace;
4. Lamb of God, you are the way of mer - cy and love:



have mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:



grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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# COMMUNION MUSIC

Sanctuary

John W. Thompson and Randy L. Scruggs

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary  
Pure and holy  
Tried and true  
And with thanksgiving  
I'll be a living  
Sanctuary, oh for You.

# BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ bless you and keep you always in God's grace.  
Amen.

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.  
Amen.

# SENDING

## BENEDICTION

The God of peace, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN

### Grace Like Rain

#### Verse 1

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
And I once was lost but now I'm found  
Was blind but now I see so clearly

#### Chorus

And Hallelujah, grace like rain  
Falls down on me  
And Hallelujah and all my stains  
Are washed away, they're washed away

#### Verse 2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

#### Chorus

#### Verse 3

When we've been there, ten thousand years  
Bright shining as the sun  
We've no less days to sing Your praise  
Than when we first begun

#### Chorus

And Hallelujah, grace like rain  
Falls down on me  
And Hallelujah and all my stains  
Are washed away, they're washed away  
And Hallelujah  
And Hallelujah  
And Hallelujah  
And Hallelujah all my stains  
Are washed away, they're washed away

## SENDING

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.  
Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

### Above All

Megan Mellenthien

Paul Baloche and Lenny Leblanc

### 2022 Youth Service Trip Attendees:

Kaden Armstrong  
Alex Brown  
Caroline Crowley  
Ian Elvington

Lauren Elvington  
Samson Gryboski  
Kaylee Hoskins  
Sarah Hoskins  
Abraham Paddock

Nelson Pitz  
Carter Sevier  
Griffin Sevier  
Kai Roth

Adults: Sandy and Scott Elvington

## LEADERSHIP

9:00 AM

Worship Leaders  
Altar Guild  
Children's Church

2022 Youth Service Trip Campers  
Sandy & Ed Quintrall  
Julie Nunns

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

*For more details about all the upcoming events, please make sure to read the Cross of Christ weekly newsletter.  
If you would like to receive the newsletter, please contact the church office.*



**August Golden Oldies**

**When & Where:**  
Wednesday, August 10 @ Noon  
Old Chicago (1280 E. 1st Ave, Broomfield, CO 80020)

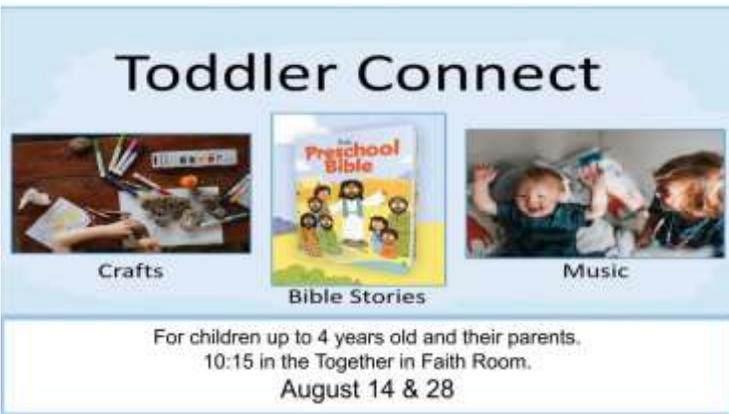
Please RSVP to Jim Osenkowski by Wednesday, August 3:  
Call 508-944-2319 or email [jascore@aol.com](mailto:jascore@aol.com)



**Turning 90 and over  
BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION!**

**Sunday, August 21 @ 10:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall**

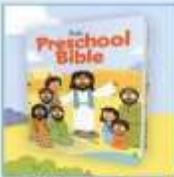
Everyone join us for treats, music, games, and fellowship to celebrate those turning 90 and over! All family and friends are welcome too! Feel free to invite anyone you know from church who may be turning 90 or over.  
**For those turning 90 or over, please bring a photo of yourself (as a child) to the party if you have one.**



## Toddler Connect



Crafts



Bible Stories



Music

For children up to 4 years old and their parents,  
10:15 in the Together in Faith Room.  
August 14 & 28



## Sandwiches for the Homeless

**Friday, August 19 @ 8:00 a.m.**

Please contact Ed Painz at [edpainz@gmail.com](mailto:edpainz@gmail.com) or Kristin Kinchen at [cokinchen@aol.com](mailto:cokinchen@aol.com) for more information.



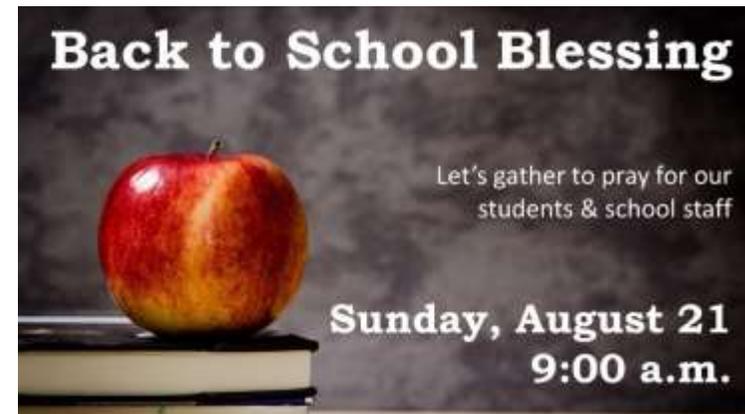
## JOIN MUSIC MINISTRY

*Fall is the perfect time to start with one of our groups.  
All ages, and levels welcome!  
First rehearsals on August 25th!*

**Proclaim**  
Rehearse: Thursdays at 8am  
Service: 7:15am  
Looking for: Voices, Guitar, Percussion

**Soli Deo**  
Rehearse: Thursdays at 7pm  
Service: 8am  
Looking for: All Voice Parts

Contact Director of Music Ministry: [musicdirector@cross-of-christ.org](mailto:musicdirector@cross-of-christ.org)



## Back to School Blessing

Let's gather to pray for our students & school staff

**Sunday, August 21  
9:00 a.m.**



Stay tuned...  
Cross of Christ's  
**Fall Kick-off**  
is coming soon

New opportunities for  
adults, youth & children  
to worship, learn & serve!