

# Sunday Worship & Prayers

**Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 21, 2025**

**8:45am and 10:45am worship services**

**Welcome to Cross of Hope**

**a Spirit-centered community that shares Christ's love  
through worship, education, and outreach to develop and  
strengthen relationships with God.**



**CROSS OF HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL**

**Loving God - Transforming Relationships - Serving Others**

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace... Romans 15:13*

## Holy Communion –8:45am - Setting One

*All page and song numbers refer to Evangelical Lutheran Worship unless otherwise noted.*

### GATHERING

Prelude		Amy Ellis
Confession and Forgiveness		
Gathering Hymn	<i>Take My Life, That I May Be</i>	Song 583
Apostolic Greeting		
Canticle of Praise	<i>This is the Feast</i>	Page 140
Prayer of the Day		

### WORD

First Reading	Amos 8:4-7	
Psalms	Psalms 113	
Second Reading	1 Timothy 2:1-7	
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia</i>	Page 142
Gospel	Luke 16:1-13	
Children's Time		
Sermon	Whom do you serve?	Adam Berndt
Hymn of the Day	<i>O God of Every Nation</i>	Song 713
Apostle Creed		
Prayers of Intercession		
Peace		

### MEAL

Offering		Amy Ellis
Offering Response	<i>Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful</i>	Song 184
Great Thanksgiving	<i>The Lord</i>	Page 144
Sanctus	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy Lord</i>	Page 144
The Lord's Prayer		
Communion	<i>Lamb of God</i>	Page 146
	<i>Let Justice Flow like Streams</i>	Song 717
	<i>We Give Thee but Thine Own</i>	Song 686
Prayer After Communion		

### SENDING

Blessing		
Sending Hymn	<i>Take My Life, That I May Be</i>	Song 685
Dismissal / Postlude		Amy Ellis

## **Holy Communion - 10:45am - Praise +Team**

*All Songs can be followed along with the presentation.*

### **GATHERING**

**Gathering Song**  
**Centering Prayer**  
**Centering Song**

*Amadeo (Still My God)*

*Dust We Are and Shall Return*

### **WORD**

**Readings**  
**Gospel**  
**Children's Time**

Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Luke 16:1-13

**Sermon**  
**Song of the Day**  
**Prayers of the Church**  
**Peace**

Whom do you serve?

Adam Berndt

*Diamonds*

### **MEAL**

**Offering**  
**The Lord's Prayer**  
**Communion**  
**Prayer After Communion**

*Keep Making Me*

*Your Great Name*

### **SENDING**

**Blessing and Prayer for Peace**  
**Sending Song**  
**Dismissal /Postlude**

*I Thank God*

### ***Help for the hearing impaired!***

Cross of Hope has a loop system, enabling hearing impaired worshippers to get the service directly into their hearing devices via a telecoil system. We also have headsets you may borrow if your hearing aids are not able to use the loop system.



## WORSHIP NOTES

In Holy Communion, God meets us in the meal. Jesus is truly present, and we come by the Spirit's grace. You are always welcome at God's table. All baptized believers are welcome to share in this, God's gift to us. Receive the bread and eat. *Gluten free option by request.*

Receive the wine (or juice) and drink. Place cup in nearby basket.

### SERVING TODAY

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Pr. Adam Berndt
<b>Council Connections</b>	Ron Cordova
<b>Director of Music Ministry</b>	Thomas Ropp
<b>Accompanist</b>	Amy Ellis
<b>Music Leaders</b>	Praise+Team

*8:45am – Traditional*

<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Rhonda Warner
<b>Lector</b>	Elisa Mclellan
<b>Cantor</b>	RC Jordan
<b>Communion Server</b>	RC Jordan
<b>Altar Team</b>	Sherrie Simek

*10:45am - Contemporary*

<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Dennis Milks
<b>Lector</b>	Linda Milks
<b>Communion Server</b>	Cecilia Lawrence
<b>Altar Team</b>	Cecilia Lawrence

### ***Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost***

As we are invited today to consider what it means to be managers (rather than owners) of all that we have, it is crucial to recognize that we are bought with a price. "Christ Jesus, himself human, . . . gave himself a ransom for all." Apart from the generosity of God we have nothing—we are nothing. By God's gracious favor we have everything we need.

*Cross of Hope is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Piro Tribe and Pueblo People, and we give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We also wish to recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.*

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**Wednesday, October 8 at Noon**  
**El Bruno's Restaurant Y Cantina**  
**8806 4th St NW**  
**Los Ranchos De Albuquerque 87114**

Please call Florence Begay  
at 505-363-5827 or by email to  
[florencebegay2011@gmail.com](mailto:florencebegay2011@gmail.com)  
for a head count by October 6.



***Camp @CoH: Wednesdays***  
***From 5:30pm to 7:30pm***

**Camp@COH Sign Up Meal Genius**  
**for September 24th**  
**Nacho Bar Night**

If you would like to contribute, please  
**[CLICK HERE](#)**

**Website link:**

**<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EA9AC29A6FCCF8-56794101-camp>**

Thank you!

**COH *Men's Bible Study* group meets *every Wednesday evening from 6:00pm to-7:00pm***  
in the church office conference room.

Reach out to Tim George  
by phone/text (505)412-9016) or  
e-mail ([tgordon430@gmail.com](mailto:tgordon430@gmail.com)) to learn more.





Because of you,  
life doesn't stop

**BLOOD  
DRIVE**

## **CROSS OF HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28  
10:00 AM TO 1:30 PM  
ROOM 205**

**NEW BLOOD DONORS NEEDED!**



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**Walk-ins welcome!**

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**Website:**

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**Here's a PEEK  
for this week at Cross of Hope!!!!**

***Tuesday, September 22, 2025***

***Wednesday, September 24, 2025***

**8:30am to 9:00am**

2:15pm to 2:45pm

5:30pm to 7:30pm

6:00pm to 7:00pm

Morning Prayer in the Sanctuary

Children's Chapel in the Sanctuary

Camp@COH in the Great Hall

Men's Bible Study group in the church office conference room

***Thursday, September 25, 2025***

6:00pm to 7:00pm

Voices of Hope Choir practice in the Sanctuary



Cross of Hope School Service Project  
Now through Friday, October 3rd.

# CLOTHING DRIVE



WE ARE COLLECTING:

- WINTER OUTERWEAR BOTH NEW AND GENTLY USED COATS, JACKETS, & SWEATERS
- SOCKS (NEW)
- HATS (NEW)
- GLOVES (NEW)



### Save the dates!

ABQ Balloons Aloft  
will be held  
**Friday, October 3rd.**  
More information  
to follow.  
**All are welcomed!**



**Plus,**

**Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>** for the

Blessings of the Animals, and the Pet Food Drive for Watermelon Ranch Animal Shelter.  
Check out next week's bulletin for more details.



## Community Prayers Needs

*Please call or email the church office to add/remove names.*

### Members of the Community:

Diane and David Pressel; Laura and Jerry Burton; Tim Fuller; Greg Morrison; Bill Harris; Ruth Hinkel; Susan Jennings Kat Cooley; Dick Bresnahan; Toni Kovarik; Wendy Harrison; Flora Telles; Claudia Russo; Stacey Taylor; Phil Wangberg; Shirley and Dale McCan; Chris and Julie Morgan; Gary and Fran Hveem; Dolores Hughes; Don and Beth Cretsinger; Shannon Reynolds; Judy Will.

### Friends of Cross of Hope:

Tim (Pat Benchik's brother); Tanya Patterson and Kim Mora (friends of Rhonda Warner); Bill (Beth Locke's brother); Ray and Barbara (friends of Gary Warner); Hart and Joyce Paulat (Kristi Valdez' parents); Mike Nelson (BJ Owens' brother); Barbara (Keri Sutter); Tom McCain (Tim Fuller); Brenda Erhard, Angela McKnight's Mom (Art Kavanaugh); Sue Harshman (Nancy Leon's friend); Paula Mickey Yarbrough (Karen Schwartz's neighbor); Susan Mann-Biddison (Toni Kovarik); Margaret George Davis (Linda George's daughter-in-law); Dianah Rowland (friend of BJ Owen); Sandy Jensen (niece of BJ Owen); Cecil Ingram (Joy Thornhill's dad); Virginia Casper (Lynne Bagby's Mom); Randy B (Elisa Mclellan and family); Pam (Debbie Bokan's sister); Melissa, Tim, and Joseph (Gary Warner's niece and her family); Matt Clark (Rosemary Neely); Don Abeyta (Jennifer Abeyta); Roxanne and Frank Lepkowski (Toni Kovarik); Mark Christensen (Rhonda Warner's brother); Lorrie Willoughby (Linda W); Karen (Beth Cretsinger); Tom Grady (Sylvia Oelsner); Erik Hansen (Janet Conlon); Stacey Bender (Lois Casto); Brian Victorine (BJ Owens); Diane Lamp; Theresa Perez; Katie Halstrom (Sorensen's); Judi (Carolyn Bye); Audie (Pat Benchik); Nadine (Kathy Bramley); Ataliya (Dee Gutierrez); Karen (Janet Conlon); Bill Bramley (Todd Bramley); Griselda (Alex Cortinas); Rick O'Roark; Tony Rivera (Deborah Rivera); David Dees.

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**All Worship Information may be found on [Crossofhope.org](http://Crossofhope.org) In the Worship Section.**

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