

Sunday Worship & Prayers

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 5, 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.**



**Faith... The size of a mustard seed,
All things are possible!**

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 Three

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

GATHERING

Prelude		Amy Ellis
Confession and Forgiveness		
Gathering Hymn	<i>Great is Thy Faithfulness</i>	Song 733
Apostolic Greeting		
Canticle of Praise	<i>This is the Feast</i>	Page 140
Prayer of the Day		

WORD

First Reading	Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4	
Psalm	Psalm 37:1-9	
Second Reading	2 Timothy 1:1-14	
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia</i>	Page 142
Gospel	Luke 17:5-10	
Children's Time		
Sermon	Mustard seed faith	Adam Berndt
Hymn of the Day	<i>What is the World Like</i>	ACS Song 1047
Apostle Creed		
Prayers of Intercession		
Peace		

MEAL

Offering		Voices of Hope
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>My Faith Looks Up to Thee</i>	Song 759
	<i>We Walk by Faith</i>	Song 635
Prayer After Communion		

SENDING

Blessing		
Sending Hymn	Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing	Song 545
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

Praise

Great Are You Lord

WORD

Readings
Gospel
Children's Time
Sermon
Song of the Day
Prayers of the Church
Peace

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4; 2 Timothy 1:1-14
Luke 17:5-10

Mustard seed faith
I See Grace

Adam Berndt

MEAL

Offering
The Lord's Prayer
Communion
Prayer After Communion

What Faith Can Do

No Longer Slaves

SENDING

Blessing and Prayer for Peace
Sending Song
Dismissal /Postlude

Best News Ever

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

Presiding Minister	Pr. Adam Berndt
Council Connections	Art Kavanaugh
Director of Music Ministry	Thomas Ropp
Accompanist	Amy Ellis
Music Leaders	Praise+Team

8:45am – Traditional

Assisting Minister	Duane Meneely
Acolyte	
Lector	Louise Hawley
Cantor	Jan Wormwood
Communion Server	Kristi Valdez
Altar Team	Lynne Bagby

10:45am - Contemporary

Assisting Minister	Laura Benchik
Lector	Loyola Cortinas
Communion Server	Jan Anderson
Altar Team	Jan Anderson

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A little faith goes a long way is Jesus' point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth of faith has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in holy baptism, holy communion, and the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

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Highlights for this coming week at COH!

Monday, October 6, 2025

11:00am to 1:00pm

Banner Babes Meeting – church office conference room

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

8:30am to 9:00am

Morning Prayer in the Sanctuary

2:15pm to 2:45pm

Children's Chapel in the Sanctuary

5:30pm to 7:30pm

Camp@COH in the Great Hall

6:00pm to 7:00pm

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

Thursday, October 9, 2025

6:00pm to 7:00pm

Voices of Hope Choir practice in the Sanctuary

Friday, October 10, 2025

Cross of Hope School – Fall Break –No school

Monday, October 13, 2025

Columbus Day / Indigenous Peoples' Day
School and Church office closed

LUNCH BUNCH

Wednesday, October 8 at Noon

El Bruno's Restaurant

8806 4th St NW

Los Ranchos De Albuquerque 87114

Please call Florence Begay for a head count
by October 6.

By phone at 505-363-5827 or by email at
florencebegay2011@gmail.com

Wednesday's Camp@COH

Sign Up Meal Genius for October 8

PIZZA NIGHT

If you would like to donate funds, please

[CLICK HERE.](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EA9AC29A6FCCF8-58731070-copy#/)

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Thank you!



Another successful NM Ramp project Completed!

Kudos to Tim George and his helpers: Hanz Zimmer, Joe Poyner, Steve Weiss, Greg Morrison, Rosemary and Rich Neely, Art Kavanaugh, RC Jordan, and Carlene Hobbs.



The Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's® is the world's largest event to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's care, support and research.

Nancy Lacher is fundraising this year's event to honor those in our congregation.
Saturday, October 25, 2025 at Mariposa Basin Park, Albuquerque NM 87109.

You can sponsor by donating to ***Team of Hope*** and/or register to walk too.

[Team of Hope](#)

Link: (https://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2025/NM-NewMexico?team_id=1009344&pg=team&fr_id=18763)

Contact Nancy directly for more details at
505 934-0401 or by email at nlacher@crossofhope.org

The logo for the Rio Grande Food Project. It features a stylized red and white graphic of a building or structure, with the words "RIO GRANDE FOODPROJECT" in a bold, sans-serif font. Below this, the words "Food Pantry • Urban Garden • Community Hub" are written in a smaller, sans-serif font.

Pat Hurley Park Lower Loop
3828 Rincon Rd. NW
ABQ, NM 87105

**Rio Grande Food Project's
10th Hike to End Hunger**

Saturday, October 18th
10:00am - 12:30pm
Registration Opens at 9:30am
Visit www.rgfp.org for Info & Free Tix!

FOOD DRIVE AT 2025 HIKE

Our Hike to End Hunger event is a FREE, family-friendly event. This year, we are encouraging folks to bring non-perishable food items to Pat Hurley Park. Our food pantry receives food from numerous sources and food drives are a great way to guide the nutritional content of the food we receive. Check out our [Food Drive Wish List](#), to see what non-perishable food items we

A message from our partners' at



Last month, Rio Grande Food Project had a seat at the table with nonprofit leaders from across New Mexico to discuss affordability and a growing crisis in the face of federal funding cuts. We were all pretty clear: cuts to federal food assistance like SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or “food stamps”) and TEFAP (The Emergency Food Assistance Program or “commodity foods”) and an indefinite discontinuation of EFSP (Emergency Food and Shelter Program) dollars that pantries use to purchase food, combined with the rising cost of groceries, utilities, health care, and housing, are creating a perfect storm that New Mexico’s charitable food system (that includes Rio Grande Food Project!) is just not equipped to weather.

SNAP provides nine times more meals in NM than our charitable food system can, and here at Rio Grande Food Project, more than a third of the food we distributed last year was federally funded. So, as SNAP assistance is stripped away from 120,000 New Mexicans, Rio Grande Food Project, and our sister organizations throughout Albuquerque, will see longer pantry lines. And we will have less to respond to the need.

We won’t be persuaded that food is not a human right though. I still know this. Our team still knows this. So, we’re sorely disappointed and concerned...because our community’s most vulnerable will bear the brunt of these federal changes.

But we’re also determined. Every week, Rio Grande Food Project provides nutritious food to around 1,100 people – our team hustles to source around 17,000 pounds of food every week to make that happen. And we will do absolutely everything we can to prevent a disruption in our critical food security services. We will tell our stories; we will pound the pavement. But it’s important that we also voice the fact that the nonprofit hunger-relief network cannot fill the coalescing gap.

Please partner with Rio Grande Food Project. Please continue to put your resolve on display through volunteerism and by contributing what you can. We’re so grateful. Please join us and continue to help our neighbors put nutritious food on the table every day.

In partnership and with gratitude,

Ari Herring
Executive Director

Community Prayers Needs

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

Members of the Community:

BJ Owens; 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:

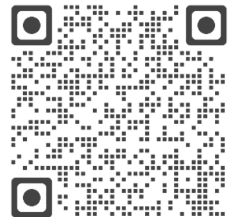
Tim (Pat Benchik's brother); Tanya Patterson and Kim Mora (friends of Rhonda Warner); Bill (Beth Locke's brother); Ray and Barbara (friends of Gary Warner); Hart and Joyce Paulat (Kristi Valdez' parents); Mike Nelson (BJ Owens' brother); Barbara (Keri Sutter); Tom McCain (Tim Fuller); Brenda Erhard, 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.

Comfort the Grieving:

Jackie and Stacey Taylor, and Mia as they grieve the death of Agnes Taylor.

For more information on our ongoing ministries or events scan the QR code or go to Crossofhope.org

All Worship Information may be found on Crossofhope.org In the Worship Section.



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