

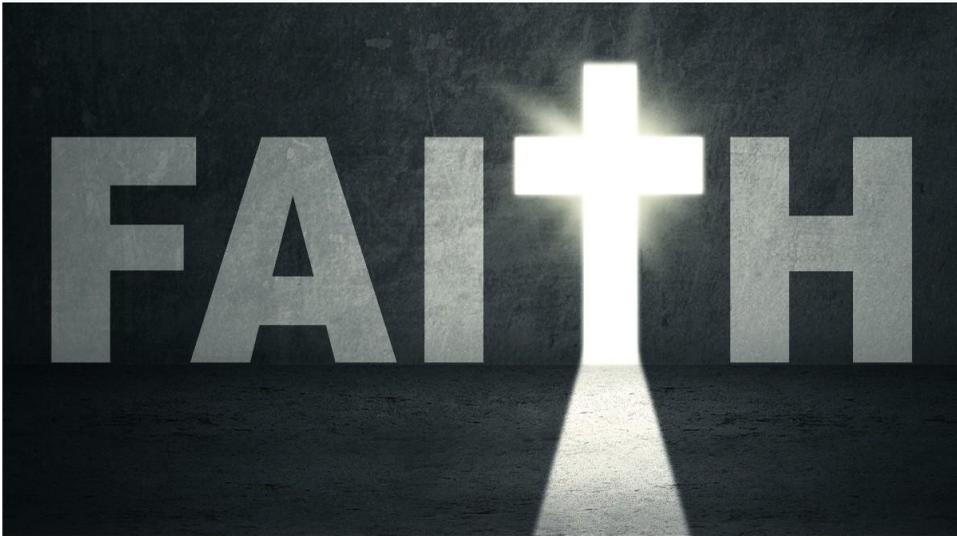
# Sunday Worship & Prayers

**Second Sunday in Lent**

**March 1, 2026**

**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 – Setting Nine - 8:45am

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

### GATHERING

Prelude	<i>Come to the Water of Life (ACS 955)</i>	Voices of Hope
Confession and Forgiveness		
Gathering Hymn	<i>This Is the Spirit's Entry Now</i>	Song 448
Apostolic Greeting		
Kyrie	<i>In peace,...</i>	ELW p. 193
Prayer of the Day		

### WORD

First Reading	Genesis 12:1-4a	
Psalms	Psalm 121	
Second Reading	Romans 4:1-5, 13-17	
Lenten Acclamation	<i>Let your steadfast</i>	ELW p. 198
Gospel	John 3:1-17	
Children's Time		
Sermon	<u>Hungry</u> : Faith	Pr. Adam
Hymn of the Day	<i>Lamb of God</i>	Song 336
Apostles' 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>	ELW p. 199
Sanctus	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy Lord</i>	ELW p. 200
The Lord's Prayer		
Communion	<i>Lamb of God</i>	ELW p. 201
	<i>We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus</i>	Song 451
	<i>What Wondrous Love Is This</i>	Song 666
Prayer After Communion		

### SENDING

Blessing		
Sending Hymn	<i>Lift High the Cross</i>	Song 660
Dismissal/Postlude		

## Holy Communion –10:45am

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

### GATHERING

Gathering Song  
Centering Prayer  
Centering Song

*I Could Sing of Your Love Forever*

*Heart of God*

### WORD

Readings  
Gospel  
Children's Time  
Sermon  
Song of the Day  
Apostle's Creed  
Prayers of Intercession  
Peace

Genesis 12:1-4a; Romans 4:1-5, 13-17  
John 3:1-17

Hungry: Faith

Pr. Adam

*Drops in the Ocean*

### MEAL

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

*Perfectly Loved*

*You Love Me Anyway*

### SENDING

Blessing  
Sending Song  
Dismissal /Postlude

*In the Blink of an Eye*

### *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.

<b><u>SERVING TODAY</u></b>			
<b>Presiding Minister</b>		Pr. Adam Berndt	
<b>Council Connections</b>		Jessica Williams	
<b>Director of Music Ministry</b>		Thomas Ropp	
<b>Accompanist</b>		Amy Ellis	
<b>Music Leaders</b>		Praise+Team	
<i>8:45am – Traditional</i>		<i>10:45am - Contemporary</i>	
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Jan Wormwood	<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Renae Johannsen
<b>Lector</b>	Lois Casto	<b>Lector</b>	Loyola Cortinas
<b>Cantor</b>	Rich Neely	<b>Communion Server</b>	Cecilia Lawrence
<b>Communion Server</b>	Mary Bresnahan	<b>Altar Team</b>	Cecilia Lawrence
<b>Altar Team</b>	Sherrie Simek		

### ***Second Sunday In Lent***

During Lent we journey with all those around the world who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. In today's gospel Jesus tells Nicodemus that he must be born of water and Spirit. At the font we are given a new birth as children of God. As God made a covenant with Abraham, in baptism God promises to raise us up with Christ to new life. From worship we are sent forth to proclaim God's love for all the world.

*You are created in the image of God from the very beginning. This is the basis for God's justice: Since everyone is made in the image of God, then we need to recognize, honor, and respect the image of God in everyone. No exceptions.*

*– Fr. Richard Rohr*

*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.*

## ***Where is the alleluia!?***

You can find a visual reminder of our fast from the '*alleluia*' in the purple shrouded box at the foot of the cross in the Worship Space.

This is where our alleluia sticks are '*buried*' as we prepare with prayer and refection for the great Easter celebration.

The omission of '*alleluia*' during Lent goes back at least to the fifth century in the Western church even if it is new for you!

May this time of fasting from this particular way of praise offer a time of deep reflection and gratitude for the gift and grace of God.

### **COH HOSTING: March 8-14, 2026**

Location:

Montgomery Church of Christ (MCC)  
7201 Montgomery NE

Serving:

Two adults and four children (ages 5, 5, 8, and 10)

Hot Meals:

***Meal delivery at 5:00pm at MCC's site*** to best serve the children's needs.  
***Sun - Sat (except Wednesdays)***

Meal Delivery: .

You may stay, eat with, and visit with families as desired.

***Sign Up Table will be available in the Great Hall  
Sunday, March 1.  
Thank you for the support and love!***



**Highlights for this upcoming week**

**Monday and Tuesday, March 2-3, 2026-**

**COH School - Parent/Teacher Conferences**

**Wednesday, March 4, 2026**

8:30am to 9:00am

Morning Prayer in the Sanctuary

1:00pm to 2:00pm

Women on Wednesdays (WOW) 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

5:30pm to 6:30pm

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

**Thursday March 5, 2026**

6:00pm to 7:00pm

Voices of Hope choir practice in the Sanctuary

**Saturday, March 7, 2026**

10:00am to 11:00am

Praise+Team rehearsal in the Sanctuary

**Sunday, March 8, 2026**

**Third Sunday in Lent**



**Wednesday's Camp@COH  
Sign Up Meal Genius for March 4, 2026**

If you would like to donate funds for **Nacho Night!**

Please [click here](#).

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EA9AC29A6FCCF8-62566367-campcrossofhope#/>



**Wednesday, March 11 at 1:00 pm**

**BJ's Restaurant**

**10000 Coors Blvd NW**

Please call Florence Begay at 505-363-5827 or  
by email to [florencebegay2011@gmail.com](mailto:florencebegay2011@gmail.com)  
for a head count by March 8.



## **Cross of Hope School Enrollment for 2026-2027**

Online Re-enrollment window will open:  
***February 23<sup>rd</sup> for our current families.***

Online New Registration opens:  
***March 2<sup>nd</sup> for all families.***

**The School's Butter Braid sale  
is underway and will be  
extended through  
Friday, March 6th.**



**To order online: [Click Here.](#)**

<https://store.myfundraisingplace.com/SelectProducts/f3e2d583-ceed-4652-ab9b-0d156d1a45bb/4668978>

**To place an order via paper form:**

The Front Welcome Desk will have forms. Fill out and include cash or checks made payable to:  
***Cross of Hope with "Butter Braids" on the memo line*** and place in the designated envelope.



***All donations for the  
School's Charity Drive  
may be placed  
on the large cart in the Great Hall.  
Thank you for your generosity!***

For our next service project, we will be collecting hygiene items for Catholic Charities:

- Body Wash
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Lotion
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Disposable Wipes
- Deodorant
- Feminine Hygiene Products

## Community Prayers Needs

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

### Members of the Community:

Rudy and Sherrie Simek; Art Kavanaugh; Tony Girard; Linda Willoughby; Claudia Russo; Mike Leddy; Janet Conlon; Pat Benchik; Toni Kovarik; Wendy Harrison; Don and Beth Cretsinger; Diane and David Pressel; Tim Fuller; Greg Morrison; Bill Harris; Ruth Hinkel; Susan Jennings; Dick Bresnahan; Flora Telles; Stacey Taylor; Phil Wangberg; Shirley and Dale McCan; Gary and Fran Hveem; Dolores Hughes; Shannon Reynolds; Judy Will.

### Friends of Cross of Hope:

Baby Laurabelle, Baby Juliana, Hannah and James (Laura and Jerry Burton); Ron and Karl (Rosemary Neely); Joyce (Sherrie Simek); Edward Swanson (Jan Anderson); Morgan Newberry (Nancy Lacher); Dawn Vola (Jennifer's Mom); Jan Meoli (Sherrie Simek); Spencer (Laura Burton's nephew); Roxanne (Keri Sutter's friend); Jennifer (Keri Sutter's friend); Tim (Pat Benchik's brother); Tanya Patterson and Kim Mora (friends of Rhonda Warner); Bill (Beth Locke's brother); 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); 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); 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); 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:

Tony Girard and family at the death of his mother, Shirley Girard.

For more information on our ongoing ministries or events scan the QR code or go to [Crossofhope.org](http://Crossofhope.org)

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

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