

# Sunday Worship & Prayers

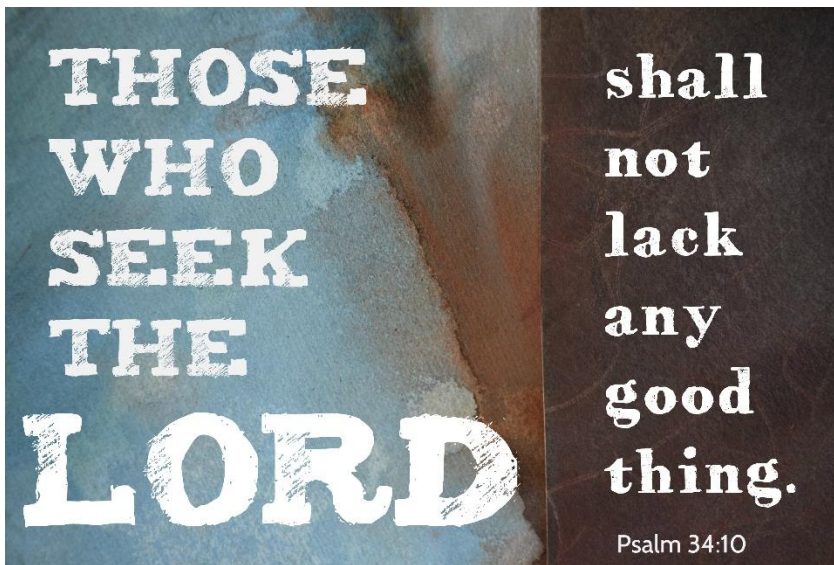
**Third Sunday of Easter**

**April 19, 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		Amy Ellis
Thanksgiving for Baptism		
Gathering Hymn	<i>Lift Up Your Heads</i>	ACS Song 1032
Apostolic Greeting		
Canticle of Praise	<i>This is the Feast...</i>	ELW p. 196
Prayer of the Day		

### WORD

First Reading	Isaiah 51:1-6	
Psalm	Psalm 34:1-10	
Second Reading	1 Peter 1:17-23	
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia</i>	ELW p. 198
Gospel	Luke 24:13-35	
Children's Time		
Sermon	Living Hope	Pr. Adam
Hymn of the Day	<i>That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright</i>	Song 384
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>You Satisfy the Hungry Heart</i>	Song 484
	<i>Come, Let Us Eat</i>	Song 491
Prayer After Communion		

### SENDING

Blessing		
Sending Hymn	<i>Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!</i>	Song 377
Dismissal/Postlude		

## Holy Communion –10:45am

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

### GATHERING

Gathering Song

*Amadeo*

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Centering Song

*Waiting Here For You*

Centering Prayer

### WORD

Readings

Isaiah 51:1-6; 1 Peter 1:17-23

Gospel

Luke 24:13-35

Children's Time

Sermon

Living Hope

Pr. Adam

Song of the Day

*Until my Voice is Gone*

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Peace

### MEAL

Offering

*Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)*

Offering Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Communion

*Mighty is the Power of the Cross*

Prayer After Communion

### SENDING

Blessing

Sending Song

*The New Song We Sing*

Dismissal /Postlude

### *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</b>	Pr. Adam Berndt
<b>Council Connections</b>	Laura Burton
<b>Director of Music Ministry</b>	Thomas Ropp
<b>Accompanist</b>	Amy Ellis
<b>Music Leaders</b>	Praise+Team
<b>Director of Worship</b>	RC Jordan

*8:45am – Traditional*

<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Jan Wormwood
<b>Lector</b>	Sherrie Simek
<b>Communion Server</b>	Mary Bresnahan
<b>Altar Team</b>	Kristi Valdez

*10:45am - Contemporary*

<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Dennis Milks
<b>Lector</b>	Melanie Kouri
<b>Communion Server</b>	Jan Anderson
<b>Altar Team</b>	Cecilia Lawrence

### ***Third Sunday of Easter***

Today's gospel begins with two disciples walking to Emmaus, overcome with sadness, loss, and disappointment. They had hoped Jesus, who was crucified, would be the one to redeem Israel! Yet the risen Christ walks with them and then opens their eyes in the breaking of the bread. Each Sunday our hearts burn within us as the scriptures are proclaimed and Christ appears to us as bread is broken and wine is poured. The story of Emmaus becomes the pattern of our worship each Lord's day.

*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.*

**Wednesday's Camp@COH**  
**Sign Up Meal Genius for April 22**

If you would like to donate funds for

**Pizza Night,**  
please [click here.](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EA9AC29A6FCCF8-63140025-camp#/)

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**Community Event**  
**for all!**

**Night of Appreciation!**  
**Wednesday,**  
**April 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:30pm to 7:00pm**

Save the Date!

**PARENTS/ VOLUNTEERS**

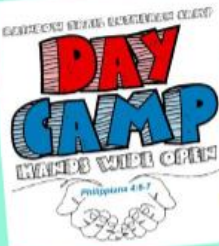
*Night of Appreciation*

Wednesday, April 29th | 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

Cross of Hope School

- Dinner will be served.
- Activities for the students
- Parent Input via Table Talk
- Elementary Student Performance

Join Us for an Evening of  
Connection & Collaboration



# Rainbow Trail Day Camp

at Cross Of Hope

No Fee!  
Non-Church Members & Friends Welcome!

## ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

- Outdoor Play
- Music
- Bible Studies
- Snacks
- Games
- Crafts
- Fellowship
- Special Events



JUNE  
8-12



***Now Open for Registration –  
All are welcome!!!***

**To Register for camp: Kindergarten to Fifth grade**  
<https://www.crossofhope.org/16663-2/>

**To Volunteer for camp:** <https://www.crossofhope.org/forms/rainbow-trail-day-camp-2026/rainbow-trail-lutheran-day-camp-parent-volunteer-form/>



**SYNOD ASSEMBLY 2026**  
**Thursday April 23 – Saturday April 25**  
Hosted by  
**[Bethany Lutheran Church](#)**  
Denver, Colorado

This year's Rocky Mountain Synod Assembly centers on the theme "Vida en Cristo. Life in Christ," inviting the synod to root its shared life in Jesus Christ. The theme emphasizes that life in Christ is lived not only in worship and church gatherings, but also in everyday callings—at home, at work, in service to neighbors, and in the ordinary rhythms of daily life.

Grounded in baptism, the Assembly highlights God's grace, the Spirit's renewing work, and the calling of all people to live out faith through love, service, justice, and peace. Scripture guiding the theme includes Romans 6:3-4 and Galatians 2:20. Duane and Glenna Meneely will join Pr. Adam as the voting members from Cross of Hope.

## Community Prayers Needs

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

### **Members of the Community:**

Duane Meneely; Jan Wormwood; Rudy and Sherrie Simek; Tony Girard; Linda Willoughby; Claudia Russo; Mike Leddy; Janet Conlon; Pat Benchik; BJ Owens; 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 Heron (Mary Hughes' grandson); Don Hilty (Toni Kovarik); Sam Mann, Susan Mann-Biddison's grandson (Toni Kovarik); Ed Klaus (John Romisher); 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 Boka'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:**

Charles Hendrickson and family at the death of his wife, Kay.  
Shannon Telles and family at the death of her cousin, Frank Serna.  
Gary Warner and family at the death of his brother-in-law, Corwin.

**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 In the Worship Section.**

**We appreciate your continued giving at Cross of Hope:**

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Online bills pay through your bank.

