

Sunday Worship & Prayers

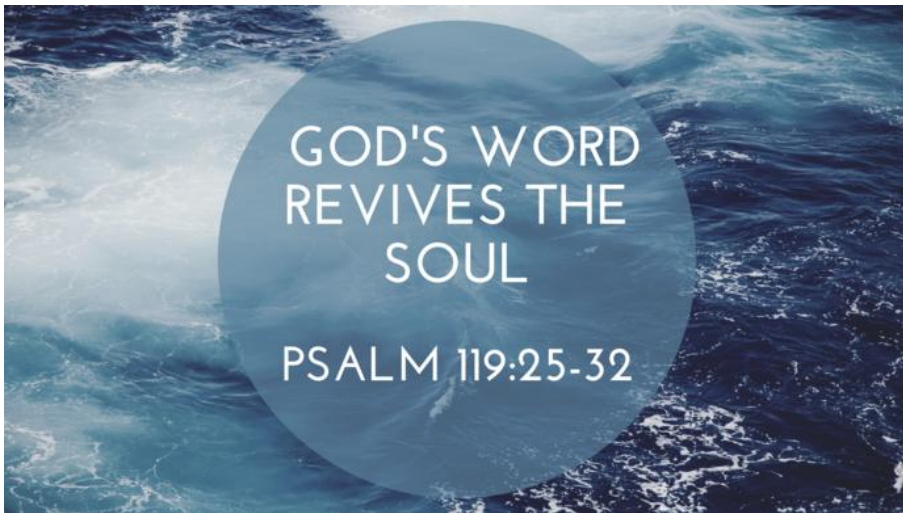
Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 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>The Stone is Rolled Away</i>	Voices of Hope
Thanksgiving for Baptism		
Gathering Hymn	<i>Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing</i>	Song 389
Apostolic Greeting		
Canticle of Praise	<i>This is the Feast...</i>	ELW p. 196
Prayer of the Day		

WORD

First Reading	Proverbs 4:10-18	
Psalm	Psalm 119:25-32	
Second Reading	1 Peter 2:2-10	
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia</i>	ELW p. 198
Gospel	John 14:1-14	
Children's Time		
Sermon	Living Hope	Pr. Adam
Hymn of the Day	<i>O Jesus, I Have Promised</i>	Song 810
Apostles' Creed / Prayers of Intercession		
Peace		

MEAL

Offering	Keri Sutter, Amy Ellis, and Susan Ropp	
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>O Word of God Incarnate</i>	Song 514
	I Know that My Redeemer Lives! (vs 1, 2, and 4)	Song 619
Prayer After Communion		

SENDING

Blessing		
Sending Hymn	<i>Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!</i>	Song 385
Dismissal/Postlude		

Holy Communion –10:45am

All Songs can be followed along with the presentation.

GATHERING

Gathering Song
Thanksgiving for Baptism
Centering Song

Love the Lord

Holy Spirit Enter In

WORD

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

Proverbs 4:10-18; 1 Peter 2:2-10

John 14:1-14

Living Hope

Pr. Adam

Holy Spirit Come

MEAL

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

We Believe

The Way

SENDING

Blessing
Sending Song
Dismissal /Postlude

Child of Love

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	Pr. Adam Berndt
Council Connections	Sherrie Simek
Director of Music Ministry	Thomas Ropp
Accompanist	Amy Ellis
Music Leaders	Praise+Team
Director of Worship	RC Jordan

8:45am – Traditional

Assisting Minister	Margie Reed
Lector	Tim George
Cantor	Mary Hughes
Communion Server	RC Jordan
Altar Team	RC Jordan

10:45am - Contemporary

Assisting Minister	Melanie Kouri
Lector	Sherrie Simek
Communion Server	Laura Benchik
Altar Team	Jan Anderson

Fifth Sunday of Easter

As we continue to celebrate the fifty days of Easter, today's gospel includes Jesus' promise that he goes to prepare a place for his followers in his Father's house. Our baptism commissions us to share Jesus' mission in the world. As 1 Peter reminds us, we are a holy people, called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light. In words and deeds we bear witness to the risen Christ—our way, our truth, our life.

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.



Teachers Planting Seeds of Wisdom

Teachers invest daily in shaping minds and hearts. This season gives us a chance to thank those who lead, encourage and inspire with patience and care. Let us express gratitude for the seeds they plant and trust God to bring growth.

National Nurse Appreciation Week, May 6 – 12

A Thank You to all nurses!
We appreciate your dedication and hard work!



Mother's Day Food Drive - May 10

Please start collecting nonperishable food items to donate for the **Rio Grande Food Project**.

Drop off will be at the designated area in the Great Hall.

To learn more about RGFP, check out their website at www.rgfp.org for more information.



Wednesday, May 13th at **12:30pm**

Mariscos Altamar

1517 Coors Blvd NW, 87121

Please call Florence Begay at 505-363-5827 or by email to florencebegay2011@gmail.com for a head count by May 11th.

Wednesday's Camp@COH Party

Last get-together before summer!

Sign Up Meal Genius for **May 6**

If you would like to help and/or donate funds for **Hot dogs, Ice Cream, and Sundae Bar**, please [click here](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EA9AC29A6FCCF8-63821245-camp#/).

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Graduation

marks both an ending and a beginning.

As we celebrate students stepping into new seasons, we give thanks for the growth, perseverance and calling God has placed in their lives. May we surround our graduates with prayer, reminding them that God goes before them and walks with them wherever the journey leads.

We will be recognizing our High School Seniors

who are associated with Cross of Hope on

Sunday, May 17th.

We will have baskets in the Great Hall for any who would like to drop in a gift for these young folks.

Ethan McClain
Elise Hielkema
Mia Maldonado
Alex Abeyta



Heads UP!!

**Starts Memorial Day –
Sunday, May 24**

**Through Labor Day –
Sunday, September 6**

More information to come!

**JUNE
8-12**



[Open for Registration](#)

To Register for camp: Kindergarten to Fifth grade

<https://www.crossofhope.org/16663-2/>

To Register as a Volunteer for camp:

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

**Have you signed up?
We need VOLUNTEERS!**

Each year Cross of Hope
provides ministry for our youth ages K-5
by hosting

Rainbow Trail Day Camp.

Hands on crafts, music, and recreation
teach children
about Jesus in a fun and engaging way.

To make this happen, we need your support of this ministry.

[Click Here](#)

under Signup Genius to view the open slots needed.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EA9AC29A6FCCF8-63679316-rainbow#/>

Community Prayers Needs

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

Members of the Community:

Rich Neely; Liz Sanchez; Duane Meneely; Jan Wormwood; Rudy and Sherrie Simek; Tony Girard; Linda Willoughby; Claudia Russo; Mike Leddy; 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:

David (Rosemary Neely); Vincent and Shirley (Art Kavanaugh's nephew and sister); Ray and Jackie (dear friends of Carlene Hobbs); Baby Heron (Mary Hughes' grandson); Don Hilty (Toni Kovarik); Sam Mann, Susan Mann-Biddison's grandson (Toni Kovarik); Ed Klaus (John Romisher); Joyce (Sherrie Simek); Edward Swanson (Jan Anderson); Morgan Newberry (Nancy Lacher); Dawn (Jennifer Vola'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); 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 Mcllellan and family); Pam (Debbie Bokan's sister); Melissa and Joseph (Gary Warner's niece and her family); 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.

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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