

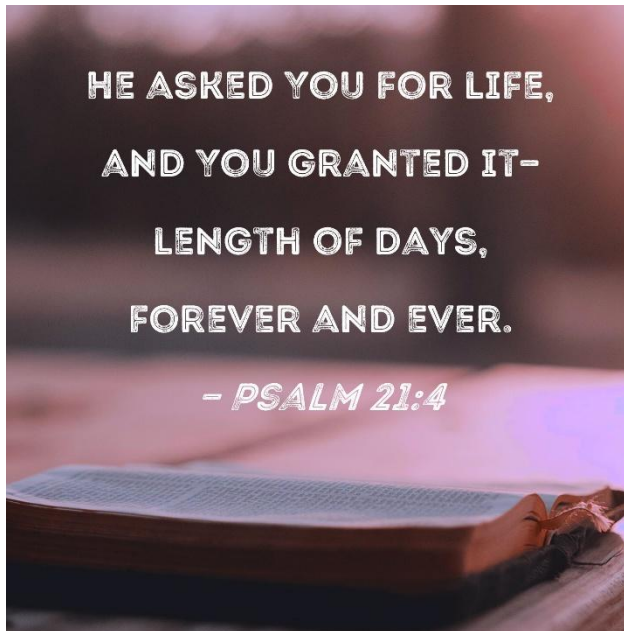
Sunday Worship & Prayers

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 17, 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.**



**HE ASKED YOU FOR LIFE,
AND YOU GRANTED IT-
LENGTH OF DAYS,
FOREVER AND EVER.**

- PSALM 21:4

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, Holy Spirit, Descend (ACS 980)</i>	Voices of Hope
Thanksgiving for Baptism		
Gathering Hymn	<i>Alleluia! Sing to Jesus</i>	Song 392
Apostolic Greeting		
Canticle of Praise	<i>This is the Feast...</i>	ELW p. 196
Prayer of the Day		

WORD

First Reading	Isaiah 45:1-7	
Psalm	Psalm 21:1-7	
Second Reading	1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11	
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia</i>	ELW p. 198
Gospel	John 17:1-11	
Children's Time		
Sermon	Living Hope	Pr. Adam
Hymn of the Day	<i>I Come with Joy</i>	Song 482
Prayers of Intercession		
Peace		

MEAL

Offering	<i>A Simple Alleluia</i>	Voices of Hope
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>Lord, You Give the Great Commission</i>	Song 579
	<i>Blest Be the Tie That Binds</i>	Song 656
Prayer After Communion		

SENDING

Blessing of High School Graduates 2026		
Blessing		
Sending Hymn	<i>This Joyful Eastertide</i>	Song 391
Dismissal/Postlude		

Holy Communion –10:45am

All Songs can be followed along with the presentation.

GATHERING

Gathering Song

Today is the Day

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Centering Song

Let the Worshippers Arise

WORD

Readings

Isaiah 45:1-7; 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Gospel

John 17:1-11

Children's Time

Sermon

Living Hope

Pr. Adam

Song of the Day

If We Are the Body

Prayers of Intercession

Blessing of High School Graduates 2026

Peace

MEAL

Offering

You are my King (Amazing Love)

Offering Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Communion

Reckless Love

Prayer After Communion

SENDING

Farewell and Godspeed for Judy Will

Blessing

Sending Song

Build Your Kingdom Here

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

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

8:45am – Traditional

Assisting Minister	Nancy Morrison
Lector	Laura Burton
Cantor	Mike Ropp
Communion Server	RC Jordan
Altar Team	RC Jordan

10:45am - Contemporary

Assisting Minister	Renae Johannsen
Lector	Melanie Kouri
Communion Server	
Altar Team	Debra Gonzales

Seventh Sunday of Easter

In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name. Amid religious, social, and economic divisions, we seek the unity that Jesus had with his Father. Made one in baptism, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family.

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.

***Congrats to our Grads!
Class of 2026!***

**Today we are recognizing our
High School Seniors.**

There are baskets
in the Great Hall
for these young folks.

Ethan McClain
Elise Hielkema
Mia Maldonado
Alex Abeyta



***Farewell and Godspeed to
Judy Will***



Don't forget

**Memorial Day –Sunday, May 24
8:30am - on the lawn
10:30am – inside**

**Labor Day –
Sunday, September 6
Last day on the lawn at 8:30am**

**JUNE
8-12**



**Rainbow Trail
Day Camp**



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#/>

2026 SUMMER SCHEDULE

8:30am – Worship on the lawn

9:30am – Fellowship time

10:30am – Worship inside

MAY

May 24 – Day of Pentecost – **Memorial Day weekend - Summer schedule begins**

May 31 – The Holy Trinity

JUNE

June 7 – 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Week of June 8 – Rainbow Trail Day Camp

June 14 – 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

June 21 – 4th Sunday after Pentecost

June 28 – 5th Sunday after Pentecost

JULY

July 5 – 6th Sunday after Pentecost

July 12 – 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Week of July 13 – Camp at Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp (RTLTC) in Colorado

July 19 – 8th Sunday After Pentecost -

Week of July 20 – Special Needs VBS

High School Camp at RTLTC in Colorado

July 26 - 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Week of July 26 – Family Promise Hosting

AUGUST

August 2 – 10th Sunday after Pentecost

August 9 - 11th Sunday after Pentecost

August 10 – Start of School Ministry

August 16 - 12th Sunday after Pentecost

August 23 - 13th Sunday after Pentecost

August 30 - 14th Sunday After Pentecost

SEPTEMBER

September 6 – 15th Sunday after Pentecost - **Labor Day weekend – End of summer schedule**

Community Prayers Needs

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

Members of the Community:

Rich Neely; Liz Sanchez; Duane Meneely; 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); Larry, Vincent and Shirley (Art Kavanaugh); 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 Mclellan 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.

Comfort the Grieving:

Sherrie Simik and family at the death of her sister, Joyce.

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.

We appreciate your continued giving at Cross of Hope:

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Via US Mail

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