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

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 15, 2026

8:30am – Worship Service

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

GATHERING		
Prelude		Amy Ellis
Confession and Forgiveness		
Gathering Hymn	*Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service*	ELW 712
Apostolic Greeting		
Prayer of the Day		
WORD		
First Reading	Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18	
Psalm	Psalm 90:1-8,12 *(Tone 5)*	
Second Reading	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	
Gospel Acclamation	*Alleluia*	ELW p. 205
Gospel	Matthew 25:14-30	
Children Time and Sermon		Pr. Russ Sorensen
Hymn of the Day	*As Saints of Old*	ELW 695
Apostles' Creed		
Prayers of Intercession		
MEAL		
Offering		Amy Ellis
Offering Response	*Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*	ELW 183
Great Thanksgiving	*The Lord*	ELW p. 206
Sanctus	*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*	ELW p. 207
Eucharistic Prayer / The Lord's Prayer		
Communion	*Lamb of God*	ELW p. 208
	For the Fruit of All Creation	ELW 679
	Praise and Thanksgiving	ELW 689
Prayer After Communion		
SENDING		
Blessing		
Sending Hymn	*Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory*	ELW 890
Dismissal / Postlude		

Holy Communion –10:30am

All Songs can be followed along with the presentation.

GATHERING

Gathering Song	*Grave Robber*	
Centering Prayer		
Centering Song	*Goodness of God*	

WORD

Readings	Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	
Gospel	Matthew 25:14-30	
Children's Time		
Sermon		Pr. Russ Sorensen
Song of the Day	*For Your Glory*	
Apostles' Creed		
Prayers of Intercession		
Peace		

MEAL

Offering	*Come to the Table*	
Thanksgiving at the Table		
The Lord's Prayer		
Communion	*Holy Forever*	
Prayer After Communion		

SENDING

Blessing		
Sending Song	*Running Home*	
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.

Don't' Foret! 😊
Scan the QR code for all church and school events.

Events

Or search our website online at **https://www.crossofhope.org**.

Last chance for Mia Bella's Candles!

Support this fundraiser for ***Camp@COH Youth Camp!***

Final on-site purchases, Sunday, **November 15.**

Make a difference that will brighten your home!



Camp@COH - Wednesdays
November 18th 5:30-7:30pm
PIZZA NIGHT

Sign-up Genius link to contribute:
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EA9AC29A6FCCF8-65696900-campcrossofhope#/

November service project.

Check out COH's website:
under the ***EVENTS tab***
to find out more information. Thanks!



NOTICE:

Unfortunately, scammers are ***again*** using Pr. Adam's name to send fake texts and emails. Please remember that Pr. Adam and the church will never send individual messages requesting money, gift cards or personal favors.

Always double check the sender's email address or phone number before responding. If it is not from Pr. Adam directly, it is not him.

If a message seems suspicious or you are not unsure, please contact the church office right away.

ANGEL TREE Ministry - Starts November 29

More details can be found under the *EVENTS* tab at COH's website.

Help Light the Way to Christmas

One of the best-known customs for the season is the Advent wreath.

The wreath and winter candle-lighting in the midst of growing darkness strengthen some of the Advent images found in the Bible. The unbroken circle of greens is clearly an image of everlasting life, a victory wreath, the crown of Christ, or the wheel of time itself. Christians use the wreath as a sign that Christ reaches into our time to lead us to the light of everlasting life.

The four candles mark the progress of the four weeks of Advent and the growth of light. Its evergreen branches lead the household and the congregation to the evergreen Christmas tree.

Sign up to light the Advent wreath in worship at Cross of Hope!
The task includes leading a prescribed prayer and lighting the appointed candles on the wreath.

Sign up Sheet on the Worship Office door.
(Just outside the Worship Space.)

Poinsettia!



It's time to sign up for the flowers that will grace our church during Christmas.

Twenty has been ordered.
The cost is $15 each

The sign-up sheet will be in the Great Hall. Please mark your payment "***Poinsettia***."

Community Prayers Needs

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

Members of the Community:

Mike and Patty Westerfield; Bennett Berndt, Marcella Johnson, Mary Bresnahan; Tony and Deborah Rivera; Jan Anderson; Bruce Molde; Dolores Hughes; Julia Ann Hawkins; Linda Willoughby; Liz Sanchez; BJ Owens; Mike Leddy; Pat Benchik; Rudy and Sherrie Simek; Claudia Russo; Wendy Harrison; Tony Girard; Bill Harris; Greg Morrison; Ruth Hinkel; Don and Beth Cretsinger; Flora Telles; Susan Jennings; Phil Wangberg; Dick Bresnahan; Shirley and Dale McCan; Shannon Reynolds.

Friends of Cross of Hope:

Pastor Jeff Alvestad and Zion Lutheran Loveland (RMS Synod); Kelly (Charlie and Gini Murphy); Ralph Jordan (Sherrie Simek); Kelly Matthews (Adelle Adams); Bradley and Sierra (Chris and Julie Morgan's son and his wife); Antonio and Debra Alba; Michelle (Vicki Bachman); Michael (Beth Christians' dad); Bet and David Moss (Sherrie Simek); Joyce Paulat (Kristi Valdez's mom); Bill Bramley (Todd Bramley); Shannon B (Elisa Mclellan); Bryn Whisenand (Laura and Jerry Burton); Katie Halstrom (Sorensen's); Doug and Stephanie Johnson (Adam Berndt); Judy Will; David (Rosemary Neely); Carmen, Martha, Vincent, Shirley, Geneva (Art Kavanaugh and RC Jordan); Ray and Jackie (dear friends of Carlene Hobbs); Ed Klaus (John Romisher); Edward Swanson (Jan Anderson); Dawn (Jennifer Vola's Mom); Spencer (Laura Burton's nephew); Jennifer (Keri Sutter's friend); Tim (Pat Benchik's brother); Tanya Patterson and Kim Mora (friends of Rhonda Warner); Bill (Beth Locke's brother); Mike Nelson (BJ Owens' brother); Barbara (Keri Sutter); 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); Melissa and Joseph (Gary Warner's niece and her family); Mark Christensen (Rhonda Warner's brother); Lorrie Willoughby (Linda W); Karen (Beth Cretsinger); Erik Hansen (Janet Conlon); Stacey Bender (Lois Casto); Diane Lamp; Theresa Perez; Judi (Carolyn Bye); Audie (Pat Benchik); Nadine (Kathy Bramley); Ataliya (Dee Gutierrez); Karen (Janet Conlon); Griselda (Alex Cortinas); Rick O'Roark; David Dees.

We appreciate your continued giving at Cross of Hope:
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