

Introit

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights.
I will tell of the decree:
The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have
begotten you.
Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,
and the ends of the earth your possession.
You shall break them with a rod of iron
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."
Now therefore, O kings, be wise;
be warned, O rulers of the earth.
Serve the LORD with fear,
and rejoice with trembling.
for his wrath is quickly kindled.
Blessèd are all who take refuge in him.
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
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Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 43:1–7*

¹But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O
Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have
redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.
²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and
through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when
you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the
flame shall not consume you. ³For I am the LORD your
God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as
your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you.
⁴Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I
love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange
for your life. ⁵Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your
offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather
you. ⁶I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do
not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters
from the end of the earth, ⁷everyone who is called by my
name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and
made."

The Epistle *Romans 6:1–11*

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that
grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died
to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who
have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his
death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism
into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the
dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in
newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his,
we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like
his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in
order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so
that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For one who
has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died
with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.
⁹We know that Christ being raised from the dead will
never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.
¹⁰For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the
life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider
yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Holy Gospel *Luke 3:15–22*

¹⁵As the people were in expectation, and all were
questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he
might be the Christ, ¹⁶John answered them all, saying, "I
baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is
coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to
untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with
fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his
threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but
the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

¹⁸So with many other exhortations he preached good
news to the people. ¹⁹But Herod the tetrarch, who had been
reproved by him for Herodias, his brother's wife, and for
all the evil things that Herod had done, ²⁰added this to
them all, that he locked up John in prison.

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when
Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens
were opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended on him in
bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven,
"You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Cole Camp, Missouri

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

The Baptism of our Lord

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WELCOME! Holy Cross Lutheran Church extends a warm welcome to you. We invite you to share with us the blessings of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is our prayer that our services will be helpful to you in your spiritual life.

THOSE USING THE MEANS OF GRACE LAST WEEK:

Worship Service: 91; Visitors: 3; Holy Communion: 47;
Children's Sermon: 13; Sunday School: 15.
Cole Camp Regional Ministry Epiphany Service at St. John's: 64.

HOLY CROSS CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of January 10 – January 17

TODAY: Quarterly Voters' Meeting after our worship service
Couples' Club Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

MON: Pastor Mike's Day off

TUE.: LSA 7th & 8th Grade Boys and Girls Basketball at Jefferson City

WED.: LSA Chapel Service, 8:05 a.m. (Everyone is welcome!)
Family Hot Lunch Day at the Lutheran School

THUR.: Bulletin deadline, 12:00 noon

LSA 4,5,6 Basketball at Honey Creek, 5:30 p.m.

7&8 Boys & Girls Basketball at LSA vs. Tipton, 6:30 p.m.

FRI. & SAT.: LSA Boys Basketball at Jefferson City Tournament

SAT.: Saturday evening Worship Service at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.

NEXT SUN.: Worship Service at Holy Cross, 8:00 a.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class at Holy Cross, 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class at St. John's, 9:30 a.m.

Worship Service at St. John's, 10:30 a.m.

"Farewell to the Boothby's" Potluck Noon Meal at LSA gym

ACOLYTES: Jan. 10 – Tyler Hickman; Jan. 17 – Destiny Kestner; Jan. 24 – Grant Louiselle; Jan. 31 – Morgan Mummert.

JANUARY GREETER: Marvin Dieckman

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Jan. 24 – Randy Meyer and Marvin Dieckman.
Feb. 07 – Marvin Dieckman and Charles Cordes

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Matthew Kurz; members and loved ones in nursing homes or restricted to their homes, including Wilbert Meyer, Marge Burdick, LaRuth Vajen, Wilma Bahrenburg, Helen Harms.

TODAY, we will hold our Quarterly Voters' Assembly, following our worship service.

THE COUPLES' CLUB will meet this evening, January 10th at Holy Cross, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY will be Pastor Mike's last worship service as pastor of Holy Cross and St. John's Lutheran Churches since he has accepted a call to serve as the pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church of Ireton, Iowa. There will be a Farewell Potluck Noon Meal next Sunday, January 17, at the Lutheran School L. C. Schnell Auditorium following St. John's 10:30 service. We hope to start at about noon. Please bring food to share—drinks and table service will be provided.

WE WILL BE UPDATING OUR CHURCH DIRECTORY in the next couple of weeks. If you have had any changes to your address, your email address, or your phone number(s), or if you would like to include any new information, PLEASE give Karen a call at 660-668-2425 or send her an email at karen.oelrichs@gmail.com. as soon as possible; no later than **JANUARY 17TH**. Your cooperation is GREATLY appreciated!

LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS are \$15.96 for 2016 and are due Feb. 1st. You may renew or order a new subscription by using the Lutheran Witness envelope from your offering envelopes box and placing it in the regular offering plate. Checks should be made payable to Holy Cross. Contact Vickie or Wanda if you have any questions.

SECRETARIES OF ALL ORGANIZATIONS are asked to submit an article of the happenings and events of their group for the past three months for the Quarterly Newsletter by Monday, January 25th. Please call Karen at 668-2425 or email your article to karen.oelrichs@gmail.com. Thanks for your help!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CD's: Children who participated in the 2015 Christmas Eve program can return your CD's to Sunday School if you do not want to keep them; we will use them in the future. By the way, everyone did a fantastic job!

PLEASE BE SURE TO SAVE the following items for the Lutheran School: Cash's Thriftway receipts, Campbell's Soup labels and Campbell's for Education, Best Choice bar codes, Box Tops for Education, and Tyson A+ labels. Please drop them off at the school. Thank you for your support of the school!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR can be heard on Sunday mornings on KSIS radio, 1050 AM, at 10:15 a.m. Our Savior Lutheran Church also broadcasts their Sunday morning worship service on KSIS, 1050 AM at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday.

Today's Service
Divine Service Setting One
on page 151

Hymn of Invocation: 412

"The People That in Darkness Sat"

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Printed on the back of the bulletin

Hymn of Praise

"This is the Feast"

Collect of the Day

Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen. (sung)

The Hymn of the Day: 405

"To Jordan's River Came Our Lord"

The Readings:

Isaiah 43:1-7

Romans 6:1-11

Luke 3:15-22

Closing Hymn: 601

"All Who Believe and Are Baptized"