

Old Testament Reading *Jeremiah 23:1–6*

¹“Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!” declares the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: “You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. ³Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD.

⁵“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

Epistle *Ephesians 2:11–22*

¹¹ Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—¹²remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. ¹⁷And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸For through him we both

have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, ²¹in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²²In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

Holy Gospel *Mark 6:30–44*

³⁰The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹And he said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. ³⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. ³⁵And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. ³⁶Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat.” ³⁷But he answered them, “You give them something to eat.” And they said to him, “Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?” ³⁸And he said to them, “How many loaves do you have? Go and see.” And when they had found out, they said, “Five, and two fish.” ³⁹Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. ⁴¹And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. ⁴²And they all ate and were satisfied. ⁴³And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. ⁴⁴And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WELCOME! We, the members of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, worshipping here this morning, are honored to have you with us, and hope that your being here will prove helpful to your spiritual life. Please come and worship with us again.

WE WILL BE CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER during our worship service next Sunday morning. Please fill out a communion registration card today if you plan to use this Sacrament for the strengthening of your faith and place it in the basket at the back of the church.

THOSE USING THE MEANS OF GRACE LAST WEEK

Worship Service: 98; Visitors: 3; Children's Sermon: 14;
Adult Bible Class: 25; Sunday School: 13.

HOLY CROSS CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of July 19– July 26

TODAY: Dan Mills, architect comes to Holy Cross, 3:30 p.m.
CCRM Vacation Bible School begins at Trinity, 6:00-8:35 p.m.
MON-THUR: VBS continues each evening at Trinity, 6:00-8:35 p.m.
SUN-THUR: PIE Float Work at LSA cafeteria, 6:00-8:20 p.m. each evening.
TUE.: Pastor Mike returns from vacation
THUR.: Bulletin deadline, 12:00 noon
Communion at Good Samaritan, 2:30 p.m.
FRI.: CCRM Vacation Bible School Closing Program at LSA gym, 7:00 p.m.
SAT.: Saturday evening Worship Service with Holy Communion at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.
NEXT SUN.: Worship Service with Holy Communion at St. John's, 8:00 a.m.
Sunday School and Bible Class at St. John's, 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School and Bible Class at Holy Cross, 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service with Holy Communion at Holy Cross, 10:30 a.m.

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.

ACOLYTES: July 19--Reece Henning; July 26--Tyler Hickman; Aug 2--Garrett Louiselle; Aug 9--Grant Louiselle; Aug 16--Morgan Mummert.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Margo Holtzen – July 19; Ethelene Jagels – July 26; Joleen Kullman – Aug. 2; Wanda Meyer – Aug. 9; Vickie Miller – Aug. 16; Edna Simon – Aug. 23; Delores Stelling – Aug. 30; Lillie Stelling – Sept. 6.

HOLY CROSS GREETER: July – Eileen Brandes; August – Scott Brandes.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: July 26 -- Charles Cores and Randy Meyer;
August 2 – Randy Meyer and Randy Harms.

PASTOR BOOTHBY WILL BE OUT OF THE OFFICE until Tuesday, July 21st. If you have a pastoral need, you can contact one of our elders or Pastor Kuddes at Trinity. Our special thanks to Pastor Jerry Riggert for leading our worship today!

PASTOR MIKE'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASS will not meet for the rest of July. We will resume our weekly study on August 5th.

TODAY, AT 3:30 PM, Dan Mills, an architect, will be coming to Holy Cross to answer questions about the possible future addition to the church. Please come and join us as we consider what the future holds for us.

VBS STARTS TONIGHT!!!! If you are 3 years old to the 6th grade, join us for PRAISE! We will be having VBS July 19th-23rd from 6:00-8:35 each night at Trinity. Kids should be dropped off and picked up in the sanctuary. Friday, July 24th at 7:00 pm, our closing program will be in the LSA gym. Join us for Bible study, games, crafts, music, dancing, and much more! We hope to see you there!

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. Please email your article to karen.oelrichs@gmail.com or drop it off at Pastor Mike's office by Monday, July 27. Thanks for your help!

TISSUE PAPER FLOATS are an essential part of the Cole Camp Fair, as most locals would agree. PIE could really use your help in getting theirs done! Work nights will be in the LSA cafeteria on Sunday thru Thursday this coming week, from 6:00 - 8:20 p.m. Things can even be taken home to work on. Even if you've never done anything with floats before, we can use your help!

THE COLE CAMP AREA CHURCH ALLIANCE is sponsoring a community wide UNDIES SUNDAY, July 19th & 26th. We are asking that you bring NEW foundational garments and also new socks to be distributed at the Church Alliance Back-To-School Clothing Sale on Saturday, August 1st to be held in the Fellowship Hall of St. Paul's Lutheran Church. There are many families in our area that utilize this Back-To-School Clothing sale to supplement the clothing needs for their children. We would like to offer new undergarments (underwear, t-shirts, socks) for those in pre-school through high school. Please bring your donations to your church on Sunday, July 19th and July 26th. They will be distributed on Saturday, August 1st. Thank you for supporting the Cole Camp Area Church Alliance in providing for our Brothers and Sisters in Christ in our Community. 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me.....' Matthew 25: 34 -36

Today's Service
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Hymn of Invocation: 732
"All Depends on Our Possessing"

The Introit
Psalm 146

The Collect of the Day
Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen. (sung)

The Readings
Jeremiah 23:1–6
Ephesians 2:11–22
Mark 6:30–44

Hymn of the Day: 563
"Jesus, Thy Blood and
Righteousness"

Closing Hymn: 644
"The Church's One Foundation"