

Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 35:4–7a*

⁴Say to those who have an anxious heart, “Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you.” ⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; ⁷the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.



Epistle *James 2:1–10, 14–18*

¹My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. ²For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, ³and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, “You sit here in a good place,” while you say to the poor man, “You stand over there,” or, “Sit down at my feet,” ⁴have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? ⁷Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called?

⁸If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,”

you are doing well. ⁹But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors.

¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it...

¹⁴What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that?

¹⁷So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

¹⁸But someone will say, “You have faith and I have works.” Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.



Holy Gospel *Mark 7:31–37*

³¹Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” ³⁵And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Cole Camp, Missouri

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 6, 2015



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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.

COMMUNION TODAY: If anyone has difficulty going to the altar to receive communion, please let an usher know, and pastor will come to your pew to commune you individually.

THOSE USING THE MEANS OF GRACE LAST WEEK

Worship Service: 88; Visitors: 2; Children's Sermon: 12;
Adult Bible Class: 21; Sunday School: 14.

HOLY CROSS CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of September 6 – September 13

TODAY: HOLY COMMUNION

MON.: Pastor's Day of Rest

LABOR DAY – No School

TUE.: LSA V-ball at St. Paul's, Sedalia, Grades 4,5,6 at 5PM; Grades 7-8 at 6PM

WED.: L.S.A. Chapel at 8:05 a.m. All invited!

Pastor Braun's Bible Study at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.

Pastor Mike's Bible Study meets at Trinity, 7:30 p.m.

THUR.: Bulletin deadline, 12:00 noon

Early Out at LSA for Cole Camp Fair, 12:30 p.m.

Communion at Good Samaritan, 2:30 p.m.

FRI.: No School at LSA – enjoy the Fair!

SAT.: Sat. 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.

ACOLYTES: Sept. 6--Jenna Harms; Sept. 13—Josilyn Harms; Sept. 20—Reece Henning; Sept. 27—Tyler Hickman; Oct. 4—Garrett L.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Lillie Stelling – Sept. 6; Cindy Harms – Sept. 13; Arlene Hall – Sept. 20; Carolyn Dieckman – Sept. 27; Mission Festival – Oct. 4; Julie Bahrenburg – Oct. 11; Jeanette Bahrenburg – Oct. 18; Brenda Fischer – Oct. 25; Gayla Hickman – Nov. 1.

HOLY CROSS GREETER: September – Jim Goosen.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Sept. 6 – Charles Cordes and Randy Meyer;
Sept. 27 - Randy Meyer and Randy Harms.

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.

OUR DUAL PARISH ANNUAL MEETING will be held on Sunday evening, September 20th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Lutheran School.

THE SEDALIA ZONE L.W.M.L. FALL BOARD MEETING is scheduled for Tuesday, September 29, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. at St. John's, Cole Camp.

THE SEDALIA ZONE LWML FALL RALLY will be held at Heit's Point Lutheran Camp, Lincoln, MO on Tuesday, October 27, 2015. Registration begins 9:30 a.m. There will be Breads & Beverage in the Dining Hall at 9:30 a.m. with the LWML National Convention Slide Show in the Chapel at 9:45 a.m. For Lunch there will be Chicken Veg. Soup, Potato/Salad Bar, Bread, Fruit Cobbler and Ice Cream along with a Beverage. The cost for the meal will be \$9.00. The meeting begins 10:00 a.m. Please make your plans now, to attend! See you there!

COMMUNITY BLOOD CENTER is the primary supplier of blood for local hospitals and has been serving Missouri and Kansas hospitals for more than 50 years. Community Blood center needs to collect 580 pints of blood every day and over 140,000 pints annually to meet the needs of our local hospitals. An individual within the area that Community Blood Center serves needs a blood transfusion every 4 minutes. Please share your gift of life with local hospital patients who need it by donating at the next Community Blood Center blood drive. The blood drive will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Friday, September 25, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The drive will be located at 205 W Jefferson Street, Church basement. To make an appointment online, visit esavealifenow.org and use **Sponsor Code: StPaul'sLutheran**. For additional details contact Shirley Logan at 660-668-3537.

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 Three
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Hymn of Invocation: 545
"Word of God,
Come Down on Earth"

The Introit
Psalm 28

The Collect of the Day

O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; 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:

Isaiah 35:4–7a

James 2:1–10, 14–18

Mark 7:31–37

Hymn of the Day: 841
"O Son of God, in Galilee"

Distribution Hymn: 528

"Oh, for a Thousand
Tongues to Sing"

Distribution Hymn: 549

"All Hail the Power
of Jesus' Name"

Closing Hymn: 848
"Lord, Whose Love
through Humble Service"