

Introit *Ps. 31:14–16; antiphon: Ps. 31:24*

Be strong, and let your heart take courage,
all you who wait for the LORD!

But I trust in you, O LORD;

I say, “You are my God.”

My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my
persecutors!

Make your face shine on your servant;
save me in your steadfast love!

**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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all you who wait for the LORD!

Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 50:4–10*

⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught,
that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary.
Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as
those who are taught. ⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was
not rebellious; I turned not backward. ⁶I gave my back to those
who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid
not my face from disgrace and spitting. ⁷But the Lord GOD helps
me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my
face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. ⁸He
who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us
stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me.
⁹Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty?
Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat
them up. ¹⁰Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the voice of
his servant? Let him who walks in darkness and has no light trust
in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

Epistle *James 3:1–12*

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you
know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For
we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in
what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole
body. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us,
we guide their whole bodies as well. ⁴Look at the ships also:
though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are
guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs.

⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! ⁶And the
tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set
among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the
entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. ⁷For every kind of
beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has
been tamed by mankind, ⁸but no human being can tame the tongue.
It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless our
Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the
likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and
cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a
spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water?
¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce
figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

Holy Gospel *Mark 9:14–29*

¹⁴When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd
around them, and scribes arguing with them.

¹⁵And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were
greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted him.

¹⁶And he asked them, “What are you arguing about with them?”

¹⁷And someone from the crowd answered him, “Teacher, I brought
my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. ¹⁸And
whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and
grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to
cast it out, and they were not able.” ¹⁹And he answered them, “O
faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I
to bear with you? Bring him to me.” ²⁰And they brought the boy to
him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the
boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the
mouth. ²¹And Jesus asked his father, “How long has this been
happening to him?” And he said, “From childhood. ²²And it has
often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you
can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.” ²³And Jesus
said to him, “If you can! All things are possible for one who
believes.” ²⁴Immediately the father of the child cried out and said,
“I believe; help my unbelief!” ²⁵And when Jesus saw that a crowd
came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it,
“You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and
never enter him again.” ²⁶And after crying out and convulsing him
terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of
them said, “He is dead.” ²⁷But Jesus took him by the hand and
lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸And when he had entered the house,
his disciples asked him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?”
²⁹And he said to them, “This kind cannot be driven out by anything
but prayer.”

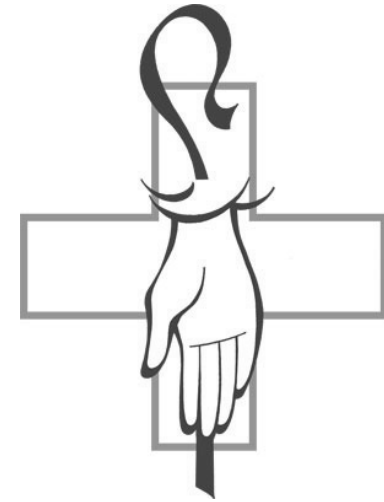
HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Cole Camp, Missouri

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 13, 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.

THOSE USING THE MEANS OF GRACE LAST WEEK

Worship Service: 80; Visitors: 3; Holy Communion: 47; Children's Sermon: 13;
Adult Bible Class: 24; Sunday School: 13.

HOLY CROSS CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of September 13 – September 20

MON.: Pastor's Day of Rest
TUE.: Volleyball at LSA: Gr. 4,5,6 at 5PM vs Stover; Gr. 7-8 at 6:30PM vs Tipton
WED.: L.S.A. Chapel at 8:05 a.m. All invited!
Pastor Braun's Bible Study at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.
Choir Practice at Trinity, 7:00 p.m.
PIE Meeting at LSA, 7:00 p.m.
Pastor Mike's Bible Study meets at Trinity, 7:30 p.m.
THUR.: Bulletin deadline, 12:00 noon
LSA Volleyball at High Point, Gr 4,5,6 at 6PM; Gr 7-8 at 7PM
Dual Parish Elders' Meeting at Trinity, 7:30 p.m.
FRI.: LSA Family Hot Lunch Day
SAT.: Grades 7-8 Small School Volleyball Tournament at Alma
Sat. Evening Worship Service at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.
NEXT SUN.: Worship Service 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 at Holy Cross, 10:30 a.m.
Dual Parish Annual Voters' Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at LSA

ACOLYTES: Sept. 13—Josilyn Harms; Sept. 20—Reece Henning; Sept. 27—Tyler Hickman; Oct. 4—Garrett Louiselle; Oct. 11--Grant Louiselle; Oct. 18--Morgan Mummert; Oct. 25--Casey Bahrenburg.

ALTAR FLOWERS: 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. 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 next Sunday evening, September 20th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Lutheran School.

THE REGIONAL MINISTRY CHURCHES, along with the Northern Ozarks Chapter of Lutherans for Life, will be conducting a Vigil of Repentance in Remembrance of the Victims of Abortion on Saturday, September 19, at 6:30 pm, at Trinity in Cole Camp. Please join us.

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!

BLOOD IS A PRECIOUS COMMODITY with a limited shelf life. Red blood cells must be used within 42 days. Platelets must be used within five days. Plasma can be frozen and stored for up to one year. 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, on Friday, September 25, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The drive will be located at 205 W Jefferson St, St. Paul's Church Basement. To make an appointment online, visit **esavealifenow.org** and use sponsor Code: St. Paul's Lutheran. For additional details contact Shirley Logan at 660-668-3537.

A COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR, with free health screenings, will be held on Friday, September 25, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church gym at 205 W Jefferson St, in Cole Camp. It is being hosted by the Benton County Health Department. Boone County Hospital Mobile Van will provide Total Cholesterol, Blood Glucose, Triglycerides, HDL and LDL, Blood Pressure, Body Composition Analysis from 8:30-11:30 a.m. (For best results, please fast 8-12 hours before cholesterol screening. Also, the Inbody Composition analysis requires direct skin contact for accurate results). Boone County Hospital will provide Skin Cancer Screenings from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Screenings are done by appointments only. Please call 1-800-872-9008 to set up your appointment. Additional health screenings offered from local area health care providers will be blood pressure, dental screenings, glaucoma screening, and more. Health related information and resources will be available from a variety of local area businesses. Flu Shots will also be available and Medicare, Medicaid or private insurance will be billed. If you do not have insurance, donations will be accepted. For any questions, please contact the Health Dept. at 660-438-2876, ext. 213.

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Divine Service Setting One
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Hymn of Invocation: 903

“This is the Day
the Lord Has Made”

The Introit

(printed on the back of the bulletin)

Hymn of Praise

“This is the Feast”

The Collect of the Day

Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen (sung)

The Readings:

Isaiah 50:4–10

James 3:1–12

Mark 9:14–29

Hymn of the Day: 688

“Come, Follow Me,
the Savior Spake”

Closing Hymn: 783

“Take My Life and Let It Be”