

Introit

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the home of righteousness.

O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure
of my days;

let me know how fleeting I am!

Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,

and my lifetime is as nothing before you.

And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?

My hope is in you.

Deliver me from all my transgressions.

Do not make me the scorn of the fool!

Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry;

hold not your peace at my tears!

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 51:4–6*

⁴“Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

The Epistle *Jude 20–25*

²⁰But you, beloved, build yourselves up in your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit; ²¹keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. ²²And have mercy on those who doubt; ²³save others by snatching them out of

the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

²⁴Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy,

²⁵to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen

Holy Gospel *Mark 13:24–37*

²⁴[Jesus said:] “But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light,

²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. ²⁷And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

²⁸“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³²“But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. ³⁵Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock crows, or in the morning— ³⁶lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.”

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Cole Camp, Missouri

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

The Last Sunday of the Church Year

November 22, 2015



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WE WELCOME YOU to our celebration of faith and praise! In a world of confusion and turmoil, our lives are built on our God is mighty and everlasting and sure, and so we come together in thanksgiving and joy.

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 SUNDAY

Worship Service: 70; Adult Bible Class: 18; Sunday School: 14.

HOLY CROSS CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of November 22 – November 29

TODAY: HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Cross / St. John's Combined Choir Practice, 7:00 p.m. at St. John's

MON.-TUE.: District Teachers' Conference, No School at LSA

TUE.: Pastor Mike back in the office

WED.-THUR.: Thanksgiving Break at LSA – No School

WED.: CCRM Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service at St. John's, 7:00 p.m.

THUR.: CCRM Thanksgiving Day Worship Service at Trinity, 9:00 a.m.

Bulletin deadline, 12:00 noon

SAT.: Saturday 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.

Holy Cross Choir Practice, 8:30 a.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class at Holy Cross, 9:30 a.m.

Worship Service at Holy Cross, 10:30 a.m.

ACOLYTES: Nov. 22--Reece Henning; Nov. 29--Tyler Hickman; Dec. 6--Garrett Louiselle; Dec. 13--Grant Louiselle; Dec. 20--Morgan Mummert; Dec. 24--Casey Bahrenburg; Dec. 27--Brooklyn Cross.

HOLY CROSS FINANCIAL:

Monthly budgeted expenses	\$10,963.
October offerings	\$ 7,059.
Deficit	\$ 3,904

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: November 22 – Randy Harms & Charles Cordes.
December 6 – Charles Cordes & Randy Meyer.

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.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE! We are collecting non-perishable food items from now until Thanksgiving to benefit the Cole Camp Food Pantry. Please bring your items to the table in the front of the sanctuary. As you are reminded of the blessings the Lord has given you, take some time to give to those who are in need. Happy Thanksgiving!

HOLY CROSS / ST. JOHN'S COMBINED CHOIR will be practicing for Thanksgiving and Christmas this evening at St. John's, beginning at 7:00 p.m.. Next Sunday evening, Nov. 29, we will practice at Holy Cross, at 7:00 p.m. If you enjoy singing, please join us as we enter this holiday season of praise and thanksgiving!

THE HOLY CROSS CHOIR will be rehearsing each Sunday morning until Christmas, here at Holy Cross before Bible Class, at 8:30 a.m. If you like to sing, please consider joining the choir at 8:30 on Sunday mornings!

PLANNED GIVING FOR 2016: On Nov. 22nd you will be receiving a "Planned Giving Card" in your church mailbox. This card will be a tool for you to use as you consider what monetary offerings you will give to Holy Cross during the year of 2016. This card will not be collected, but merely serves as a reminder to prayerfully plan your church donations for the upcoming year.

COLE CAMP REGIONAL MINISTRY THANKSGIVING Eve Worship Service will be held at St. John's on Wednesday evening, November 25, beginning at 7:00 p.m. On Thanksgiving Day, the worship service will be held at Trinity, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

THE SEASON OF ADVENT is upon us as we begin to prepare for the coming of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Our CCRM Mid-week Advent Services will be held on Wednesday evenings beginning at 7:00 p.m. The Dec 2nd and Dec 9th Services will be held at Trinity with the Dec 16th service being presented by the LSA students at the LSA Gym. There will also be an Advent supper held at 5:30 p.m. prior to each Advent Service.

SINGERS NEEDED: Are you interested in adding your voice to this year's Advent Cantata? Join us in the balcony at Trinity on Wednesday evenings following the Advent Service to practice *Longing for the Light!* Starting on Monday, Nov. 30th, we will also be practicing on Monday evenings. The Cole Camp Regional Ministry Choir will perform *Longing for the Light!* at Trinity, Cole Camp, on Saturday, December 19th.

LIVING NATIVITY DISPLAY presented by Mt. Hulda Lutheran Church will be held on Sunday, Dec. 13, with drive-through viewing from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. You are asked to enter only from Highway B onto Mt. Hulda Ave. west. You will exit onto Highway AE. Stop at the church for refreshments, then enjoy Christmas caroling and special guest singing Christmas music in the Sanctuary from 7:00 to 8:00. To end the evening we will join at the manger for a special Christmas Prayer and the singing of Silent Night. This Living Nativity is a free gift to our community and friends. May the Love of Christ fill you to overflowing through the coming Christmas season and always! For information call 668-9981. Cancellation due to weather will be posted on Facebook and on Sedalia radio KDRO, KSIS and Warsqw KAYQ.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS: We have recently received notification that The Benton County Cancer Fund LLC has been approved to be on the list for Thrivent Choice Dollars.

THE SEDALIA SYMPHONY SOCIETY is sponsoring "Handel's *Messiah*" under the direction of Sandy Cordes on Sunday, December 6th, beginning at 3:00 p.m. at the Broadway Presbyterian Church, 209 W Broadway in Sedalia. You are invited!

LOVE FOR A LIFETIME: Please join the Muehler family in celebrating Rev. Gary and Elois' 55th Wedding Anniversary. An open house will be held from 1-4 PM on December 26th in Biltz Hall on Saint Paul Lutheran High School's campus in Concordia, MO. The children of Rev. and Mrs. Gary Muehler also ask for no gifts but would appreciate words of endearment, memories, or congratulations. Please send these items to: Amy Muehler, 13136 Siegel Ave, Cole Camp, MO 65325. Her cell phone number is 660-723-9267 and her email address is amyjm24@juno.com.

Today's Service
Divine Service Setting Four,
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Hymn of Invocation: 516
"Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying"

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(Printed on the back of the bulletin)

The Collect of the Day
Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

The Readings:
Isaiah 51:4-6
Jude 20-25
Mark 13:24-37

Hymn of the Day: 513
"The Clouds of Judgment Gather"

Distribution Hymn: 620
"Jesus Comes Today with Healing"
Distribution Hymn: 741
"Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense"

Closing Hymn: 583
"God Has Spoken by His Prophets"