

## **Old Testament Reading - Zechariah 9:9-12**

9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Behold, your king is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation is he,

humble and mounted on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

10 I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall speak peace to the nations;

his rule shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

11 As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

12 Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

## **The Epistle - Philippians 2:5-11**

5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. 9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## **The Gospel - Matthew 27:11-54**

11 Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You have said so." 12 But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he gave no answer. 13 Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many things they testify against you?" 14 But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

15 Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to release for the crowd any one prisoner whom they wanted. 16 And they had then a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. 17 So when they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?" 18 For he knew that it was out of envy that they had delivered him up. 19 Besides, while he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I have suffered much because of him today in a dream." 20 Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. 21 The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas." 22 Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said, "Let him be crucified!" 23 And

he said, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!"

24 So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." 25 And all the people answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!" 26 Then he released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered him to be crucified.

27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before him. 28 And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, 29 and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on his head and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" 30 And they spit on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. 31 And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him and led him away to crucify him.

32 As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. They compelled this man to carry his cross. 33 And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), 34 they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. 35 And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots. 36 Then they sat down and kept watch over him there. 37 And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews." 38 Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. 39 And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads 40 and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." 41 So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, 42 "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. 43 He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.'" 44 And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.

45 Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. 46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" 47 And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, "This man is calling Elijah." 48 And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink. 49 But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." 50 And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit.

51 And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And the earth shook, and the rocks were split. 52 The tombs also were opened. And many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised, 53 and coming out of the tombs after his resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many. 54 When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

# **HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**WE WILL BE CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER** at our Dual Parish Maundy Thursday Service at St. John's on Thursday, Mar 29, at our CCRM Easter Vigil at St. John's on Sat, Mar 31, and also during our Easter service next Sunday, Apr 1. Please fill out a communion registration card today and indicate the date(s) 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 BLESSED BY THE MEANS OF GRACE LAST WEEK**

Worship Service: 89; Visitors: 1; Bible Class: 16; Sunday School: 13.  
Mid-Week Lenten Service at Holy Cross: 205.

**CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of March 25 – April 1**

TODAY: HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Cross Choir practice after Bible Class  
Dual Parish Choir practice this evening at Holy Cross, 7 p.m.

TUE.: Adult Instruction Class at the Lutheran School, 7:00 p.m.

WED.: LSA Chapel at Trinity, 8:05 a.m. All are invited!

THUR.: Men's Bible Study at Classic, 7AM

Women's Bible Study at Trinity, 9:30 a.m.

Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion at St. John's, 7PM

FRI.: No School at LSA

Good Friday Tre Ore @ Trinity, 12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m.

Good Friday Tenebrae Service at Holy Cross, **7:30 p.m.**

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

Cole Camp Regional Ministry Easter Vigil at St. John's, **8:00 p.m.**

NEXT SUN.: Easter Worship with Holy Communion 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.

Easter Worship with Holy Communion at St. John's, 10:30 a.m.

**HOLY CROSS GREETER:** April – Rusty Harms.

**HOLY CROSS ACOLYTES:** Mar 25—Brooklyn Cross; Apr 1—Gage Cross; Apr 8—Jenna Harms; Apr 15—Tyler Hickman; Apr 22—Destiny Kestner;

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** March 25 – Jim Goosen and Marvin Dieckman.

April 1 – Marvin Dieckman and Randy Harms.

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Jim Brockman, Thomas Eckhoff, Ed Goetz, Lora Harms, Barbara Pope, Ruby Hemme (Mary Talbott's mother), Evan Cornett (8 yr old cousin of Robert Henley), Bonnie Fitzpatrick (niece of Dorothy Holtzen) and members and loved ones in nursing homes or restricted to their homes.

**THE WELL OF HOPE,** a home for young pregnant unwed mothers, located in Clinton, MO was chosen as the recipient of our Cole Camp Regional Ministry Lenten Love offering this year. Please look for the "wishing well" for the Well of Hope as you leave today. This "giving opportunity" will be available this morning, as well as later this week at our Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services. At the Pastor's Conference on April 10, our Cole Camp Regional Ministry's Love Offerings that were gathered this Lenten season, will be presented to The Well of Hope, a ministry of Trinity Lutheran Church of Clinton, MO, Rev. Jesse Keuker, pastor.

**THERE WILL BE CHOIR PRACTICE** after Bible Class this morning and also this evening, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the church balcony.

**HOLY WEEK:** Worship opportunities for this HOLY WEEK, will begin today with Palm Sunday and continue with the Maundy Thursday Service with Holy Communion at St. John's, beginning at 7:00 p.m. On Good Friday will be the Tenebrae Service (service of darkness) at Holy Cross, beginning at **7:30 p.m.** (please note the time)

**THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER,** a special worship service of the Cole Camp Regional Ministry, will be held this Saturday evening, March 31, at St. John's, beginning at **8:00 p.m.** The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be offered. Rev. Tyler Poppen will be the celebrant with Rev. Leonard Poppe, Rev. Greg Truwe, and Rev. Allen Braun serving as assisting ministers. Please join in as we meditate on the message of this Lenten season, Christ's sacrificial suffering and death, and the anticipation of His glorious resurrection on Easter morning.

**THIS CONFERENCE IS FOR EVERYONE!** The Marriage and Family Conference, sponsored by the Cole Camp Regional Ministry and the Sedalia Circuit will be held at Trinity, Cole Camp on Friday evening (beginning at 5:30), Apr. 20 and Saturday, Apr 21 (beginning at 8AM and ending with Vespers at 4PM). It is for husbands, wives, parents, children, widows, and all single people. Through the word of God, we will grow in our appreciation for God's wonderful gift of marriage and the family, and return to our homes encouraged and better equipped to lead faithful lives, regardless of the makeup of our family. The cost of this event is free, but registration is required by March 31. If you plan to attend, please give your registration form to Pastor Poppen or send an email to [colecamlutheran@gmail.com](mailto:colecamlutheran@gmail.com). with the names of those attending, number of children and their ages, your home congregation, and if you plan to attend Friday's Gemulickeit.

**HATS OFF TO JESUS!** Wear a hat to celebrate the love of Jesus! Sedalia Zone LWML Spring Rally will be held on (Tuesday) April 17 at Peace Lutheran Church, 9307 North Highway 5, Camdenton, MO 65020. Host Societies: Peace Camdenton, Faith Warsaw, Hope Hermitage. Speaker: Carolyn Bowling, Executive Director for Medical Missions for Christ (There will be a love offering for Medical Missions for Christ) Lunch: \$7.00 Hot Ham/Cheese or Turkey/Cheese Sandwich, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Dessert and Drink  
**EASTER GARDEN OF MEMORIES:** Holy Cross Couples Club is sponsoring the Garden of Memories for Easter Sunday. To reserve lilies in memory of someone or in honor of someone who has been a blessing, please see Jeanette Bahrenburg or Carolyn Dieckman TODAY. You may take your lily or lilies home after the Easter service. Questions? Please contact Carolyn 660-668-3605 or Jeanette 660-668-4959.

**SOPHOMORE CLASS PORK DINNER** will be held at the Cole Camp school cafeteria TODAY, with serving from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The cost is Adults \$7, Children 5-12 \$4. We appreciate your support in helping our class raise funds to host prom next year and then build our senior float next summer.

**BIRTHRIGHT OF PETTIS COUNTY GARAGE SALE** Apr. 6 (8:30am-6pm) and Apr 7 (8:30am-1pm) at Our Savior, 3700 W Broadway, Sedalia. Beginning Apr 3 thru Apr 5, please bring your donations to Our Savior from 9am to 3pm. Please call 281-1405 to make arrangements to pick up large items. If you could help with set-up, pricing, and working during the sale, please call Marlis at 620-0239 or Jeanette at 281-1405.

**Today's Service**  
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**Hymn of Invocation: 442**  
"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

**The Introit**

But you, O LORD, do not be far off!

O you my help, come quickly to my aid!

**Save me from the mouth of the lion!**

**You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!**

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

**All who see me mock me;**

**they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;**

"He trusts in the LORD; let him deliver him;

let him rescue him, for he delights in him!"

**Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help.**

But you, O LORD, do not be far off!

O you my help, come quickly to my aid!

**Save me from the mouth of the lion!**

**You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!**

**Hymn 422**

"On My Heart Imprint Your Image"

**The Readings:**

Zechariah 9:9-12

Philippians 2:5-11

Matthew 27:11-54

**Hymn of the Day: 441**

"Ride On, Ride On, In Majesty"

**The Sermon**

Theme: The Servant King

Text: John 12:12-19 and Philippians 2

**Distribution Hymns:**

440 - "Jesus I Will Ponder Now"

631 – "Here, O My Lord, "

**Closing Hymn: 443**

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"