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and teach me your statutes.**

Blessèd are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the LORD!

**Blessèd are those who keep his testimonies,
who seek him with their whole heart.**

Oh that my ways may be steadfast
in keeping your statutes!

**Then I shall not be put to shame,
having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.**

***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: Proverbs 25:6–14

Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence
or stand in the place of the great,
for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

What your eyes have seen
do not hastily bring into court,
for what will you do in the end,
when your neighbor puts you to shame?
Argue your case with your neighbor himself,
and do not reveal another's secret,
lest he who hears you bring shame upon you,
and your ill repute have no end.

A word fitly spoken
is like apples of gold in a setting of silver.
Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold
is a wise reprovèr to a listening ear.
Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest
is a faithful messenger to those who send him;
he refreshes the soul of his masters.
Like clouds and wind without rain
is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle: Epistle: Ephesians 4:1–6

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

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Holy Gospel: Holy Gospel: Luke 14:1–11

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.

G **Glory to You, O Lord.**

One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" And they could not reply to these things.

Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, "When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HOLY CROSS and ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN DUAL PARSH

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WELCOME! St. John's 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 AT OUR SERVICE LAST WEEK

Worship Service: 135; Bible Class: 18.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of September 23 – September 30

TODAY: HOLY COMMUNION

LWML members practice at the organ immediately after the service

Dual Parish Voters' Meeting at Lutheran School gym, 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.

Cole Camp Regional Ministry Meeting at Trinity, 7:00 p.m.

FRI.: LSA Early Out, 12:30 p.m.

SAT.: Evening Worship with Communion at Trinity, 6:30 pm; Adult Bible Class at 7:30

NEXT SUN.: Joint Dual Parish LWML Sunday Worship at St. John's, 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class at St. John's, 10:30 a.m.

Contributed Potluck Noon Meal in the church basement – all invited!

Drinks and table service will be provided.

Mt Hulda's Annual Fish Fry, 4:30 p.m. - ????

ALTAR FLOWERS: Sept 23—Karen Oelrichs; Sept. 30—Elaine Miesner; Oct. 7—Doris Viets; Oct. 14—Judy Brockman

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Alice Borchers, Thomas Eckhoff, Lora Harms, Bill Talbott, Bonnie Fitzpatrick (niece of Dorothy Holtzen), Tim Purdy (friend of Sam Henley) and members and loved ones in nursing homes or restricted to their homes.

HOLY CROSS MEMBERS are reminded to use their assigned offering envelopes while worshipping at St. John's during the Holy Cross construction project. All loose money in the offering plate will go to St. John's.

THE DUAL PARISH ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING will be held at the Lutheran School gym THIS EVENING, September 23rd, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH WILL BE A SPECIAL DAY as we observe LWML Sunday during our worship service with a special service and special singing. After Sunday School and Bible Class, **everyone is invited to enjoy fellowship and a contributed potluck noon meal in the church basement. Drinks and table service will be provided.** TODAY, as worshippers are being ushered out, all ladies interested in singing next Sunday are asked to come forward to the front west side near the organ for a short practice. Bible class will follow.

ATTENTION (High School) "LYFers"—Our group will be going to Lazer Force in Osage Beach on October 14th. We plan to leave at 11am that day and return around 4 pm. If you are interested in attending, please contact either Kim Horstman at 816-519-1835 or email at kim_horstman@yahoo.com or Angel Williams at 660-221-1855 for trip details and additional information. Also, LYF now has a Team App available that the group will be using to communicate with members. Group members need to search for Cole Camp Trinity LYF and request to join.

HOLY CROSS TURKEY AND PORK DINNER is October 7th, serving from 11-1. We need all families to donate a 9x13 dessert or cake, or 2 pies. We are also asking for all families to donate a large salad (any type). Please bring the food in before the dinner if possible. We will be there by 8 that morning. Any questions regarding the meal, please contact Vickie Miller at 660-668-2485. Also, volunteers are needed in all areas to make this dinner a success! The sign-up sheet is in the back of the church. Thanks for helping!

DURING OUR HOLY CROSS ANNUAL DINNER we will again be having a silent auction. We are looking for any new or very gently used items you would like to donate. If you have a donation please let Robin Burdick know or contact her at (660) 287-1295. You can also drop items off on Oct. 6 from 1-3 at LSA. Funds will go towards Children's Projects sponsored by the Holy Cross Board of Education. Thanks for donating!

THE SEDALIA ZONE L.W.M.L. Fall Rally will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 9 under the theme, "With GOD There Is COMFORT" based on 2 Cor. 1:5. The Fall Rally will be held at Trinity, 95 E Hwy 7, in Clinton, MO with registration and light brunch beginning at 9AM. The meeting will begin at 10AM and guest speaker, Renee Rabenelli, will be speaking on Comfort Dog Ministry. There will be a love offering for LLC Comfort Dog ministries, an ingathering for Well of Hope Maternity Home (small diapers, wipes, paper goods, and dish washer detergent) and the pulled pork lunch will be \$8.00. The rally is being hosted by Immanuel, Lincoln; Trinity, Appleton City; Trinity, Clinton; and Trinity, Creighton.

THE COLE CAMP FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES is sponsoring an event on Wednesday, September 26th, 7:15 am at the flag pole in front of Benton County R-1 School (central office). We will gather around the flag pole to pray for our nation together. Students will lead the community in prayer and we hope to have a community circle large enough to encircle our students.

SMOKED PORK DINNER: The CCHS junior class is hosting a smoked pork dinner TODAY, from 11:00-1:00 in the school cafeteria. Funds raised help support prom and the senior float. Come by and enjoy a dinner of smoked pork, posh potatoes, green beans, corn, salads, and desserts. Ticket prices are \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 5-12.

MT HULDA'S ANNUAL FISH FILLET DINNER: Where? Mt. Hulda Lutheran Church; from Cole Camp, take "B" HWY, south 8 miles to 22303 Mt. Hulda Ave. When? NEXT Sunday, Sept. 30, 2018. Time? 4:30 P.M. To ?????? Menu: Delicious fried fish fillets, a variety of side dishes and desserts. Bring your family, friends, and a healthy appetite for some good home cooking and fellowship. Free will donation. For more information call 660-668-9981

Today's Service

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Divine Service, Setting 4

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Hymn of Invocation: 783

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

The Introit

(Printed on the back of the bulletin)

The Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

Lord, we implore You, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Readings:

Proverbs 25:6-14—Wisdom of Solomon

Ephesians 4:1-6—Unity in the body of Christ

Luke 14:1-11—Jesus heals and tells a parable

Hymn of the Day: 557

"Seek Where You May to Find a Way"

Sermon

Text – Luke 14:1-11

Theme – "The Christian Life of Humility"

Distribution Hymns:

644, "The Church's One Foundation"

618, "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"

619, "Thy Body, Given for Me"

Closing Hymn: 662

"Onward Christian Soldiers"