

Introit for The Baptism of Our Lord

Behold the Lord, the ruler, has come,
and the kingdom and the power and the glory are in his hand.

**I have found David, my servant;
with my holy oil I have anointed him.**

I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever;
with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all
generations.

**He shall cry to me, "You are my Father,
my God, and the Rock of my salvation."**

And I will make him the firstborn,
the highest of the kings of the earth.

**My steadfast love I will keep for him forever,
and my covenant will stand firm for him.**

**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 - Joshua 3:1–3, 7–8, 13–17

¹ Then Joshua rose early in the morning and they set out from Shittim. And they came to the Jordan, he and all the people of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over. ² At the end of three days the officers went through the camp ³ and commanded the people, "As soon as you see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God being carried by the Levitical priests, then you shall set out from your place and follow it.

⁷ The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. ⁸ And as for you, command the priests who bear the ark of the covenant, 'When you come to the brink of the waters of the Jordan, you shall stand still in the Jordan.'"

¹³ "And when the soles of the feet of the priests bearing the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan shall be cut off from

flowing, and the waters coming down from above shall stand in one heap."

¹⁴ So when the people set out from their tents to pass over the Jordan with the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people, ¹⁵ and as soon as those bearing the ark had come as far as the Jordan, and the feet of the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the brink of the water (now the Jordan overflows all its banks throughout the time of harvest), ¹⁶ the waters coming down from above stood and rose up in a heap very far away, at Adam, the city that is beside Zarethan, and those flowing down toward the Sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, were completely cut off. And the people passed over opposite Jericho. ¹⁷ Now the priests bearing the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firmly on dry ground in the midst of the Jordan, and all Israel was passing over on dry ground until all the nation finished passing over the Jordan.

The Epistle - 1 Corinthians 1:26–31

²⁶ For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷ But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸ God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, ²⁹ so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰ He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. ³¹ Therefore, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

The Gospel - Matthew 3:13–17

¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴ John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. ¹⁶ And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; ¹⁷ and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

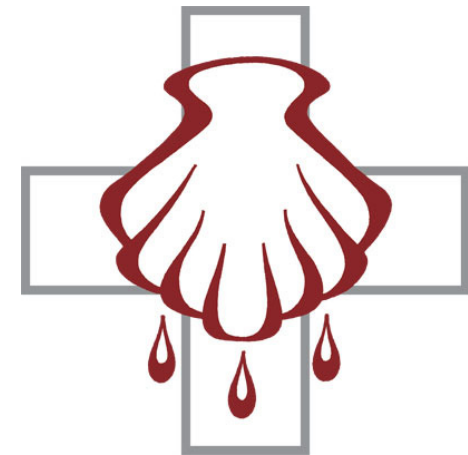
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WELCOME! As the holy family welcomed the Wise Men, this family called Holy Cross welcomes you. As they came to worship the Christ, so have you. And, as Christ was present for the Wise Men, so He is present for you and us. Welcome!

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 BLESSED BY THE MEANS OF GRACE LAST WEEK

Worship Service: 68 Visitors: 7;
Bible Class: 11; Sunday School: 9.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of January 7 – January 14

TODAY: HOLY COMMUNION

Installation of newly elected congregational officers for 2018.
Church Council Meeting following our worship service
Cole Camp Community Choir Christmas Cantata sponsored by the
Cole Camp Regional Ministry held at Trinity beginning at 4PM

TUE.: Holy Cross Ladies' Aid Meeting at Ambrose, 7:00 p.m.

WED.: LSA Chapel at Trinity, 8:05 a.m.

Family Hot Lunch Day at LSA

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

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

Communion at Good Samaritan at 2:30 p.m. and at Ambrose at 3:30 p.m.

CCRM Men's Club Meeting at Trinity, 7:00 p.m.

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

NEXT SUN.: Worship Service at Holy Cross, 8:00 a.m.

Sunday School and Voters' Meeting at Holy Cross, 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class at St. John's, 9:30 a.m.

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

St. John's Quarterly Voters' Meeting, 11:30 a.m.

HOLY CROSS GREETER: January – Marvin Dieckman

HOLY CROSS ACOLYTES: Jan 7—Morgan Mummert; Jan 14—Skylar Mummert;
Jan 21—Dylana Stoppel; Jan 28—Brooklyn Cross; Feb 4—Gage Cross; Feb 11—
Jenna Harms; Feb 18—Tyler Hickman; Feb 25—Destiny Kestner.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Jan. 7 – Marvin Dieckman and Randy Harms.
Jan. 28 – Randy Harms and Jim Goosen.

PASTOR POPPEN AND FAMILY WILL BE ON VACATION from Thursday, January 11th to Thursday, January 18th. Pastor Fred Hertwig will fill in on Sunday, January 14th. Pastor and Family will be worshipping at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Carlsbad, NM that Sunday.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Jim Brockman, Thomas Eckhoff, Lora Harms, Milton Harms, Ruby Hemme (Mary Talbott's mother) and members and loved ones in nursing homes or restricted to their homes.

TODAY is the Installation of all the newly elected officers of our congregation. The following were elected at the Voters' Meeting held last October: Vice President—Don Holtzen, Secretary—Marilyn Heimsoth, Trustee—Myron Fischer, Elder—Jim Goosen, Auditor—Amanda Poindexter, Church Endowment—Vickie Miller, Finance Committee—Sandra Osburn, LSA Board—Jeff Hickman, Holy Cross Board of Education—Wayne Westermier.

THE CHURCH COUNCIL will meet after worship service this morning. Regular **Voter's meeting** will be next Sunday, January 14 after the worship service.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA – RESCHEDULED FOR TODAY AT 4:00 p.m.: You are invited to attend this joyful Christmas concert hosted by the congregations of the Cole Camp Regional Ministry. Under the leadership of Barb Schnakenburg, Sam Cole, and Amanda Poindexter, the Cole Camp singers will help us continue celebrating the birth of Christ during this Christmas season. The concert will include a beautiful combination of classic Christmas favorites, as well as joyful new selections, interspersed with brief readings. Everyone is invited to join us. A free will offering will be collected. The Christmas Cantata will be held in the sanctuary of Trinity Lutheran Church.

2018 CHURCH DIRECTORY COMING SOON AND YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

During January we will be updating the addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses of all our members. Please check out the ORANGE half-sheet in your mail-box this morning, complete it, and leave it in the basket in the back of the church. If you have family members that are unable to be here today, please complete their orange form for them. We would like to have all forms completed TODAY, or as soon as possible. Thank You!!

BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER: The Family of David Wilshusen is throwing a card shower for his birthday, which is January 15th. Please mail cards and greetings to him at the following address:
CAPT John Wilshusen
PSC 470 Box 5000
FPO AP 96534

ELDERS' MEETING will be on Tuesday, January 23rd. Holy Cross Elders meet at 6:30, St. John's Elders join at 7pm. The meeting will be held in the parsonage office

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

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Hymn of Invocation: 397

“As with Gladness Men of Old”

The Readings:

Joshua 3:1-3, 7-8, 13-17

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Matthew 3:13-17

Hymn of the Day: 405

“To Jordan's River Came Our Lord”

The Sermon

Title: “That's How God Works”

Text: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Distribution Hymns:

411--“I Want to Walk as a Child
of the Light”

383—“A Great and Mighty Wonder”

Closing Hymn: 400

“Brightest and Best
of the Stars of the Morning”