

Introit for Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

**How lovely is your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!**

Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed!

For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor.

No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

**O LORD of hosts,
blessèd is the one who trusts in you!**

**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 - Amos 5:18-24

18 Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD!

Why would you have the day of the LORD?

It is darkness, and not light,

19 as if a man fled from a lion,

and a bear met him,

or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall,
and a serpent bit him.

20 Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light,
and gloom with no brightness in it?

21 "I hate, I despise your feasts,

and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

22 Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,

I will not accept them;

and the peace offerings of your fattened animals,

I will not look upon them.

23 Take away from me the noise of your songs;
to the melody of your harps I will not listen.

24 But let justice roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

The Epistle - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

13 But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. 14 For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. 15 For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The Gospel - Matthew 25:1-13

1 "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. 2 Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 3 For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, 4 but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. 5 As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. 6 But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' 7 Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. 8 And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' 9 But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' 10 And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. 11 Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' 12 But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' 13 Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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 BLESSED BY THE MEANS OF GRACE AT THE JOINT 75TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE HELD AT HOLY CROSS LAST SUNDAY

Worship Service: 114; Holy Communion: 82;
Bible Class: 18; Sunday School: 14.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of November 12 – November 19

TODAY: CCRM Martin Luther Movie at LSA Schnell Auditorium, 2:00 p.m.

CCRM Junior Youth at Trinity, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

LSA Board of Directors' Meeting at LSA, 7:00 p.m.

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

TUE.-THUR.: Church Workers Conference at Tan-Tar-A (Nov. 14-16)

WED.: CCRM Christmas Cantata practice, 6:30 at Trinity

WED.-FRI: Teachers Conference – No School at LSA – Nov. 15-17

THUR.: Men's Bible Study at Classic, 7:00 a.m.

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

SAT.: Cole Camp Christbaumfest – Cards & Knives Booth by Couples' Club

Saturday Evening Worship 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.

Trinity Men's Club's Chili & Soup Dinner, 11:30AM – 1PM at Trinity

Dual Parish Youth Group Gathers at Pastor's House, 3-4:30PM

Couples' Club Meeting, 6:00PM at Holy Cross

HOLY CROSS GREETER: November – Randy Harms.

HOLY CROSS ACOLYTES: Nov 12—Tyler Hickman; Nov 19—Destiny Kestner;
Nov 26—Grant Louiselle; Dec 3—Morgan Mummert; Dec. 10—Brooklyn Cross;
Dec 17—Gage Cross; Dec 24—Tyler Hickman; Dec. 25—Destine Kestner.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Nov 26 – Randy Meyer and Randy Harms.
Dec 3 – Randy Harms and Marvin Dieckman.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Nov 12—Lillie Stelling.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Jeannette Bahrenburg, 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.

LUTHER MOVIE FOR ALL: THIS AFTERNOON, beginning at 2:00 p.m., the Cole Camp Regional Ministry will sponsor a viewing of the new movie about Luther entitled, *Martin Luther: The Idea that Changed the World*. This event will take place in the Schnell Auditorium at LSA. Please plan to attend this special showing as we continue to celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. This is a full-length film so there will be an intermission with popcorn and drinks provided. Bring a comfortable lawn chair, if you like. If you have any "Luther memorabilia" for our display table that you would like to share, please contact Mary Talbott at 660-827-4583. A free-will offering will be taken to benefit Lutheran education at our Lutheran School Association.

THE 2017 CCRM CHRISTMAS CANTATA will be on Sunday afternoon, December 31, at 4:00 p.m. at Trinity. We will sing a nice variety of old and new Christmas songs. If you like to sing and would like to join the choir, rehearsals are scheduled for Wednesday evenings, Nov. 8th and 15th in the choir loft at Trinity. Other practice dates will be determined. Please join us!

CCRM JUNIOR YOUTH: Starting with the month of December Junior Youth will start meeting at Trinity on the 3rd Sunday of the month 6:30 pm to 8 pm (times will remain the same). Also, as a reminder to parents and youth, Trinity has a Facebook page that is full of great information. Please check it out on Facebook-Trinity LYF

DUAL PARISH YOUTH! You are invited to come to Pastor Poppen's house at 208 North Pine in Cole Camp on November 19, next Sunday afternoon, from 3:00 to 4:30 for a fun afternoon of faith-building and fellowship activities for youth from 5th grade to 12th grade. Please come!!

NEXT SUNDAY, November 19th, Trinity Men's Club will be hosting their Chili and Soup Dinner in the Fellowship Hall at Trinity. Serving will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There will be a free-will donation with proceeds going to their mission and student scholarship fund.

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES: Wednesday evening, November 22nd will be the Thanksgiving Eve Service at Holy Cross, beginning at 7:00 p.m. led by Pastor Poppen. On Thursday morning, Thanksgiving Day Services will be held at Trinity, led by former pastor, Rev. Randal Ehrichs, and also at Mt. Hulda, led by Pastor Braun. Both of these services will begin at 9:00 a.m.

Today's Service

Divine Service, Setting One

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Hymn of Invocation: 508

"The Day is Surely Drawing Near"

The Introit

(Printed on the back of the bulletin)

The Readings:

Amos 5:18-24 – Let Justice Roll

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 – Coming of the Lord

Matthew 25:1-13 – Parable of the Ten Virgins

Hymn of the Day: 763

"When Peace, like a River"

The Sermon

Theme: "We Are Wise and Prepared – So What?"

Text: Matthew 25:1-13

Closing Hymn: 515

"Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"