

## Introit

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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.**

**Surely all mankind stands as a mere breath!**

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!**

**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 65:17-25

“For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth,  
and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create;

for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy,  
and her people to be a gladness.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people;  
no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping  
and the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days,

or an old man who does not fill out his days,

for the young man shall die a hundred years old,

and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them;

they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit;

they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity,

for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD,

and their descendants with them.

Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall graze together;

the lion shall eat straw like the ox,

and dust shall be the serpent’s food.

They shall not hurt or destroy

in all my holy mountain,” says the LORD.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord. **G** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have  
no need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves are  
fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the  
night. While people are saying, “There is peace and security,” then  
sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon  
a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you are not in  
darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. For you  
are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night  
or of the darkness. So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us  
keep awake and be sober. For those who sleep, sleep at night, and  
those who get drunk, are drunk at night. But since we belong to the  
day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love,  
and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has not destined us  
for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might  
live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build one  
another up, just as you are doing.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord. **G** Thanks be to God.

## Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

**G** Glory be to Thee, O Lord. (sung)

“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took  
their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were  
foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps,  
they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their  
lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and  
slept. But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom!  
Come out to meet him.’ Then all those virgins rose and trimmed  
their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your  
oil, for our lamps are going out.’ 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.’ 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. Afterward the other  
virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ But he answered,  
‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ Watch therefore, for you  
know neither the day nor the hour.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** Praise be to Thee, O Christ. (sung)

# HOLY CROSS and ST. JOHN’S LUTHERAN DUAL PARSH

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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 who is mighty and everlasting and sure, and so we come together in thanksgiving and joy.

**WE WILL BE CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER** during our worship service next Sunday morning. Please fill out a communion registration card today if you plan to use this Sacrament for the strengthening of your faith give it to the usher as you leave the church today. Thank you!

**THOSE USING THE MEANS OF GRACE AT OUR SERVICE LAST WEEK**

Worship Service: 91; Bible Class: 19.

Thanksgiving Eve Service at St. John's: Worship Service 85; Holy Communion 54.

**CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of November 18 – November 25**

TODAY: HOLY COMMUNION

Register for Holy Communion

Christmas Cantata Choir Practice at Trinity, 4:00 p.m.

WED.: LSA Chapel Service, 8:05 a.m. at Trinity – all are invited!

Partners In Education Meeting at LSA, 6:30 p.m.

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

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

Sunday Bulletin Deadline, 12:00 noon (email to [karen.oelrichs@gmail.com](mailto:karen.oelrichs@gmail.com))

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

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

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

NEXT SUN.: Dual Parish Worship Service with Holy Communion at St. John's, 9:00 a.m.

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

Christmas Cantata Practice at Trinity, 4:00 p.m.

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

**SINGERS NEEDED!** Christmas Cantata practice will be TODAY at 4:00 pm at Trinity. If you like to sing, please join us! The Cantata will be Sunday, Dec. 30th at 4:00 pm also at Trinity. Questions? Contact Sam Cole at 600-221-3278. Hope to see you there!

**C.C.R.M. JOINT ADVENT SERVICES:** The schedule for this year's Cole Camp Regional Ministry's joint mid-week Advent services and suppers is as follows: December 5—Trinity; December 12—Holy Cross; December 19—Mt. Hulda. Pre-service Advent suppers will begin at 6:00 p.m. with the evening Advent services beginning at 7:00 p.m.

**MID-WEEK ADVENT SERVICE AND DINNER:** Wednesday evening, December 5<sup>th</sup> will be the first Cole Camp Regional Ministry joint mid-week Advent Service of the season. The Service will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will be held at Trinity. Trinity's Youth and Family Team will be hosting the Advent dinner beginning at 6:00 p.m. The menu will be spaghetti, salad, bread and brownies. Plan to come and enjoy a delicious meal and fellowship before the Advent service!

**OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL** is asking parents of S.S. students to consider sending more offering money with your child to pay for needed Sunday School supplies and materials.

**BAPTISM TODAY:** Our most gracious and merciful God will bring Jocelyn Louise Stone the daughter of Jeremy and Ashley Stone under His Covenant of love and forgiveness through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism today. We pray that our Lord would continue to bless both Jocelyn Louise and her parents, as they experience together the love of God and of one another. Her sponsors are Candace Krause and Danny Meyer.

**UPDATES are needed for the 2019 Church Directory.** Submit any mailing address, email address, or phone number changes to Karen Oelrichs by Sunday, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>. Also please check the 2018 Directory and make sure all your information is correct; if not, please let Karen know at 668-2425 or email her at [karen.oelrichs@gmail.com](mailto:karen.oelrichs@gmail.com). Thanks!

**ATTENTION LYF MEMBERS-**The LYF Christmas Party will be on Sunday, December 2nd; however, we will be meeting immediately after church at around 11:00 a.m. in the youth room instead of our normal meeting time. Please remember to bring your \$5 White Elephant gift and an inexpensive, random gift. Remember to save room for pizza! Also, our group will be helping to serve at the December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Advent dinner and all members are encouraged to come and help serve. Please be at the church basement by 4:45 p.m. As a reminder, all events are posted on Team App-Cole Camp Trinity LYF and on Facebook Trinity LYF and Jr Youth.

**ATTENTION JR YOUTH:** The Junior Youth members will have their Christmas Party on Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. We plan to start earlier than normal at 6:00 that evening. We will be watching a Christmas movie and eating pizza and snacks. Please remember to "like" our Facebook page under Trinity LYF and Jr Youth for events and other information.

**HOLY CROSS MEMBERS:** By resolution of Holy Cross voters' assembly, we are soliciting contributions to help pay for the refinishing work on the sanctuary floor and pews. A donation may be made by placing it in the Sunday morning offering plate with a designation of SPECIAL ACCOUNT on the envelope or given directly to the treasurer Evelyn Brandes. If making the donation in memory of someone, please include that information in the envelope. All donations are greatly appreciated to help us complete the refinishing work in our sanctuary. We give all thanks and praise to God for His goodness.

**AN EVENING OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC** will be presented by Cole Camp's German choirs on Sunday, Dec. 2, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Cole Camp, at 7 p.m. A special preconcert brass ensemble will present a Christmas medley at 6:45 p.m. Everyone is cordially welcome to this concert which will include many of the familiar Christmas carols (German and English) that were sung in our churches for many years by our ancestors. There will be refreshments in the fellowship hall following the concert. Admission is free.

**CHRISTKINDLMARKET** will be held on Dec. 7th from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in downtown Cole Camp. This is a family event, lots of shopping, free hot cocoa, wagon ride and much more. Check Cole Camp Christkindlmarket on facebook for a list of activities and times. Sponsored by the Cole Camp Chamber.

**PYRMONT-TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH** presents The 14th Annual Ole Tyme Christmas in the Country, "*Christmas under the Stars*" on Saturday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00 PM. The Congregational Caroling begins at 6:45. There will be a freewill offering divided between Stover and Cole Camp Food Pantries. DIRECTIONS: 7 miles north of Stover on Hwy 135, Then ¼ mile on Pymont Road. Come and enjoy the local talent as well as cookies and hot cider!

## **Today's Service**

*Last Sunday of the Church Year*

***Divine Service Setting Three***

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**Hymn of Invocation: 515**

"Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"

## **The Introit**

(Printed on the back of the bulletin)

## **The Collect of the Day**

O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that, from the bonds of our sins which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☩ Amen.

## **The Readings:**

Isaiah 65:17-25—New Heavens and a New Earth

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11—The Day of the Lord

Matthew 25:1-13—The parable of the ten virgins

**Hymn of the Day: 905**

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

## **Sermon**

Text: 1 Thessalonians 5  
Theme: "Day of the Lord"

## **Distribution Hymns:**

**680:** "Thine the Amen,  
Thine the Praise"

**817:** "Earth and All Stars"

**922:** "Go, My Children,  
with My Blessing"

**Closing Hymn: 525**

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"