

## **Introit**

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O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame.

**Let not my enemies exult over me.**

**Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame.**

Make me to know your ways, O LORD;

teach me your paths.

**Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation;**

**for you I wait all the day long.**

May integrity and uprightness preserve me,

for I wait for you.

**Redeem Israel, O God,**

**out of all his troubles.**

**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: Jeremiah 23:5–8**

“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’

“Therefore, behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when they shall no longer say, ‘As the LORD lives who brought up the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt,’ but ‘As the LORD lives who brought up and led the offspring of the house of Israel out of the north country and out of all the countries where he had driven them.’ Then they shall dwell in their own land.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## **Epistle: Romans 13:8–14**

Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. For the commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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**C** Thanks be to God.

**Alleluia and Verse – Hymn 338,  
“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”**

## **Holy Gospel: Matthew 21:1-9**

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

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

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

“Say to the daughter of Zion,  
‘Behold, your king is coming to you,  
humble, and mounted on a donkey,  
and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’ ”

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!”

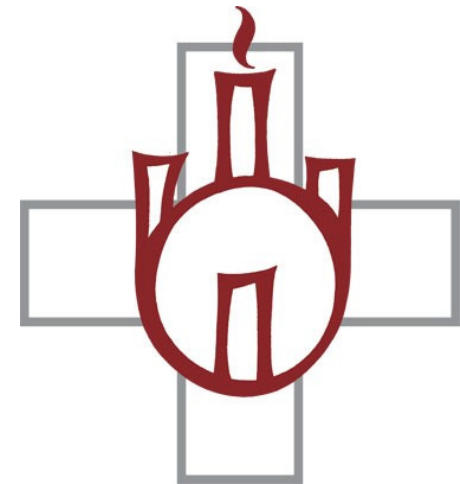
**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

# **HOLY CROSS and ST. JOHN’S LUTHERAN DUAL PARSH** Cole Camp, Missouri

*The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod*

*First Sunday in Advent - Ad Te Levavi*  
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**WELCOME!** During the season of Advent we “welcome” Christ to the earth, long after the fact, of course. Your being here, dear visiting friend, gives us opportunity to welcome you as well. Welcoming Christ into our lives fill us full, yet leaves room and to spare for you!  
**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.  
**WE WILL BE CELEBRATING THE LORD’S SUPPER** during our worship service next Sunday morning. Please fill out a communion registration card 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: 123; Holy Communion: 84; Bible Class: 17.

**CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of December 2 – December 9**

TODAY: HOLY COMMUNION

Register for Holy Communion at St. John’s  
LYF (High Schoolers) Christmas Party in youth room at Trinity, 11:00 a.m.  
Christmas Cantata Choir Practice at Trinity, 4:00 p.m.

WED.: LSA Chapel Service, 8:05 a.m. at Trinity – all are invited!  
Advent Supper at Trinity, youth serving spaghetti at 6:00 p.m.  
CCRM Joint Mid-Week Advent Worship at Trinity, 7:00 p.m.

THUR.: Men’s Bible Study at Classic, 7:00 a.m.  
Women’s Bible Study at Trinity, 9:30 a.m.  
Bulletin Deadline, 12:00 noon (email to [karen.oelrichs@gmail.com](mailto:karen.oelrichs@gmail.com))

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.  
St. John’s Voters’ Election of Officers Meeting  
Christmas Cantata Practice at Trinity, 4:00 p.m.

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Eileen Brandes, 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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Advent Dinner and Service will be hosted by the Dual Parish on Wednesday evening, December 12th. Dinner will be at 6 with the service at 7.

**THANK YOU** to all who helped and cared for Arthur Hagan last Sunday after he passed out in church. The kindness and caring of others is a wonderful thing. Thank you!

**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!

**OUR FOOD DRIVE** for the Cole Camp Food Pantry continues on the second Sunday of each month. Please bring your non-perishable food items next Sunday and leave them in the back of the church. Suggested items include canned fruits and vegetables, flour and sugar in small bags, soups, rice, mac & cheese, paper products, pancake mix and syrup.

**THE LYF CHRISTMAS PARTY** will be TODAY at around 11:00 a.m. in the youth room at Trinity 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 at the Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> Advent dinner and all members are encouraged to help serve. Please be at Trinity’s church basement by 4:45. Remember, all events are posted on Team App-Cole Camp Trinity LYF and on Facebook Trinity LYF and Jr Youth.  
**THE JUNIOR YOUTH** members will have their Christmas Party next Sunday, Dec. 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.

**AN EVENING OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC** will be presented by Cole Camp’s German choirs THIS EVENING, 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.

**FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY:** The average Financial Peace University Graduate saves \$1000 and pays off \$5300 in debt in 90 days. Would you like to be one of them? The Cole Camp Regional Ministry will be facilitating Dave Ramsey’s Financial Peace University (FPU) class beginning January 9<sup>th</sup>. This will be a 9 week course teaching budgeting, paying off debt, investing, insurance, and a host of other financial topics, but it will be taught using Biblical principles. If you would like more information or would like to reserve your spot for the class, please contact Pastor Poppen – phone 605-695-8043 – or email at [colecamlutheran@gmail.com](mailto:colecamlutheran@gmail.com).

**THE 8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTKINDLMARKET** will be held Friday, Dec. 7, from 5--8:00 p.m. All the shops will be open until 8:00 plus the FBLA students from R1 School will sponsor a Vendor Fair for added shopping. Many fun activities for the whole family, plus a Live Nativity in the J.C. Gardens. The Farmer’s market and the Museum will also be open that evening. You will hear carolers up and down the streets, plus the Blue Pride Band and the Zeller Brass Band will add to the Christmas festivities. The Raising of the Festbaum will be at 6:00 p.m. in front of the Handle Haus, a great Christmas tradition for everyone young and old. Check out all the details at Cole Camp Christkindlmarket on Facebook.

**Today’s Service**

*First Sunday in Advent  
Ad Te Levavi*

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**Hymn of Invocation: 331**  
“The Advent of Our King”

**The Introit**

(Printed on the back of the bulletin)

**The Collect of the Day**

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**☞ Amen.**

**The Readings:**

Jeremiah 23:5-8—A righteous Branch from David  
Romans 13:8-14—Fulfilling the Law through Love

**Alleluia and Verse – Hymn 338**

Matthew 21:1-9—The Triumphant Entry

**Hymn of the Day: 332**

“Savior of the Nations, Come”

**Sermon**

Text: Jeremiah 23:5-8

Theme: A Righteous Branch

**Distribution Hymns:**

**335:** “O Bride of Christ, Rejoice”  
**334:** “O Lord, How Shall I Meet You”  
**336:** “Lo! He Comes with Clouds”

**Closing Hymn: 359**

“Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming”