

Introit for Second Sunday in Advent

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“Behold, your salvation comes.”

The LORD will cause his majestic voice to be heard,
and you shall have gladness of heart.

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock!

You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth.

Restore us, O God;

let your face shine, that we may be saved!

Turn again, O God of hosts!

Look down from heaven, and see.

But let your hand be on the man of your right hand,

the son of man whom you have made strong for yourself!

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 - Malachi 4:1-6

1 “For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. 2 But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. 3 And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

4 “Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

5 “Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. 6 And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

The Epistle - Romans 15:4-13

4 For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. 5 May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, 6 that

together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. 7 Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

8 For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God’s truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, 9 and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

“Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles,
and sing to your name.”

10 And again it is said,

“Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people.”

11 And again,

“Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,
and let all the peoples extol him.”

12 And again Isaiah says,

“The root of Jesse will come,
even he who arises to rule the Gentiles;

in him will the Gentiles hope.”

13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

The Gospel - Luke 21:25-36

25 “And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, 26 people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 27 And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. 28 Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

29 And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. 30 As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. 31 So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. 32 Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. 33 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

34 “But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. 35 For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. 36 But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

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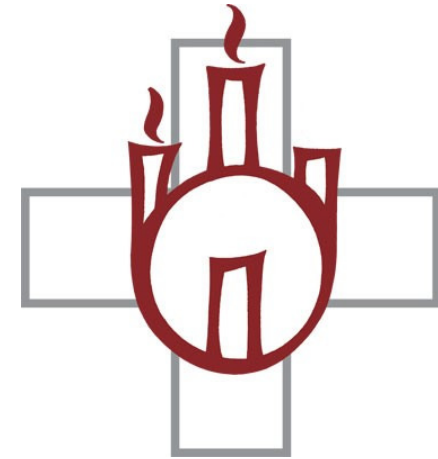
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WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS. During the season of Advent we “welcome” Christ to the earth, long after the fact, of course. Your being here, dear visiting friend, gives us opportunity to welcome you as well. Welcoming Christ into our lives fill us full, yet leaves room and to spare for you!

THOSE BLESSED BY THE MEANS OF GRACE AT HOLY CROSS LAST SUNDAY

Worship Service: 108; Holy Communion; 68; Visitors: 15;
Bible Class: 17; Sunday School: 19. Mid-week Advent Service at St. John’s: 192.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of December 3 – December 10

TODAY: Children’s Christmas Eve Program Practice at Holy Cross, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
Dual Parish Youth Group at St. John’s, 3-4:30 p.m.

Living Nativity scenes at Mt. Hulda, 6:30-7:30 p.m. (Enter only from Hwy B)
Music in the sanctuary from 7-8:00 p.m.

MON.: CCRM Christmas Cantata Practice, at Trinity, men at 6:30; all sing a 7PM.

TUE.: Holy Cross Ladies’ Aid Christmas Celebration, 7:00 p.m. at Ambrose

WED.: LSA Chapel Service, 8:05 a.m. (All are invited!)

Advent Supper, 6PM at Mt. Hulda’s Church basement followed by
Advent Worship Service in their sanctuary at 7PM

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

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

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

Ladies’ Aid Christmas Potluck and Party at St. John’s, 6:30 p.m.

CCRM Men’s Club Meeting and Topic at Trinity, 7:00 p.m.

SAT.: 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.

Children’s Christmas Eve Program Practice at Holy Cross, 1:30-3:30

Christmas Open House at Pastor & Katie Poppen’s house, 2-4PM

CCRM Junior Youth Gathering at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.

Couples’ Club at Holy Cross, 6:00 p.m.

HOLY CROSS GREETER: December – Randy Meyer.

HOLY CROSS ACOLYTES: Dec. 10—Brooklyn Cross; Dec 17—Gage Cross;
Dec 24—Tyler Hickman; Dec. 25—Destiny Kestner.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Dec. 24 – Marvin Dieckman and Randy Meyer.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: David Wilshusen and family at the death of his wife Patty, 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.

ADVENT SERVICES this year will be joint Cole Camp Regional Ministry services with the second one being held at Mt. Hulda this Wednesday evening, Dec. 13th. Join us for a variety of sandwiches, soup, jello and cake in the basement at Mt. Hulda, beginning at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Advent Worship Service at 7:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE SCHEDULE:

Christmas Eve Children’s Program at Holy Cross - 5 PM

Christmas Eve Service at St. John’s - 6:30 PM

Christmas Day Joint Service at St. John’s with Communion - 9 AM

OUR CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS EVE PROGRAM Practices will be held on Sunday afternoons: December 3, 10, and 17 from 1:30 - 3:30pm.

HOLY CROSS LADIES AID cordially invites all the ladies of the congregation to our meeting this week Tues., Dec. 12, as we celebrate Christmas. Come to the meeting room at Ambrose Park at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments will be furnished by the members.

A CHRISTMAS/PARSONAGE OPEN HOUSE is being planned by the Poppen Family from 2:00 to 4:00 next Sunday afternoon, December 17th. All are invited to come to the parsonage at 208 N Pine in Cole Camp for fellowship and refreshments!

THE 2017 CCRM CHRISTMAS CANTATA will be on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 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, the next rehearsal is scheduled for Monday evening, Dec. 11th with men practicing at 6:30 and women joining in at 7:00 at Trinity. Other practice dates will be determined. Please join us!

THE BI-ANNUAL MT. HULDA LIVING NATIVITY DISPLAY will be presented THIS EVENING from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Seven scenes will tell the story of Mary and Joseph’s journey to Bethlehem. Please ENTER ONLY from Highway B onto Mt. Hulda Ave west; you will exit onto AE Hwy. Stop at the church for refreshments, and enjoy singing Christmas carols and Christmas music in the Sanctuary from 7:00 to 8:00. For information call 668-9981. Cancellation due to weather will be posted on Facebook and on Sedalia Radio KDRO, KSIS and Warsaw, KAYQ.

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

Today’s Service

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Divine Service, Setting Three

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Hymn of Invocation: 359

“Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming”

The Introit

(Printed on the back of the bulletin)

The Readings:

Malachi 4:1-6 – The Great Day of the Lord

Romans 15:4-13 – Christ is Our Hope

Luke 21:25-36 – The Coming of the Son of Man

Hymn of the Day: 336

“Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending”

The Sermon

Title: “Hope In Christ”

Text: Romans 15:4-13

Closing Hymn: 333

“Once He Came in Blessing”