Introit for Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill.

I will tell of the decree:

The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you."

Praise the LORD, all nations!

Extol him, all peoples!

For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!

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 51:1-6

1 "Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the LORD:

look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug.

2 Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you;

for he was but one when I called him, that I might bless him and multiply him.

3 For the LORD comforts Zion; he comforts all her waste places

and makes her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD;

joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

4 "Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation;

for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.

5 My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples;

the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait.

6 Lift up your eyes to the heavens,

and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke,

the earth will wear out like a garment,

and they who dwell in it will die in like manner;

but my salvation will be forever,

and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

The Epistle - Romans 11:33—12:8

33 Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

 34 "For who has known the mind of the Lord,

or who has been his counselor?"

35 "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?"

36 For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. 2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

3 For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. 4 For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, 5 so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. 6 Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; 7 if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; 8 the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

The Gospel - Matthew 16:13-20

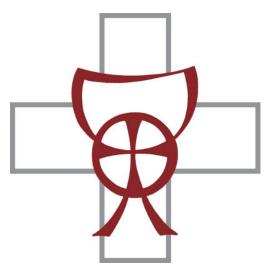
13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?"
14 And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." 15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" 16 Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." 17 And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. 18 And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." 20 Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Holy Cross Website: http://holycrosslutheranchurchcolecamp.weebly.com Regional Ministry Website: http://colecampregionalministry.org <u>A HEARTY WELCOME</u> to all our visitors this morning. May the Holy Spirit bless our worship and we invite you to come and worship with us again.

<u>COMMUNION TODAY:</u> 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. <u>WE WILL BE CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER</u> 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 and place it in the basket at the back of the church.

THOSE BLESSED BY THE MEANS OF GRACE LAST SUNDAY

Worship Service: 85; Visitors: 5; Bible Class: 13; Sunday School: 14.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of August 27 – September 3

TODAY: HOLY COMMUNION

Choir Practice after our worship service

St. John's Fundraiser Pulled Pork Dinner at LSA Gym, 11AM to 1PM

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

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

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

Communion at Good Samaritan, 2:30 p.m.

Communion at Ambrose, 3:30 p.m.

SAT.: Saturday Evening Worship with Holy Communion 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 with Holy Communion at Holy Cross, 10:30 a.m.

Choir practice at Holy Cross

GREETERS: September – Jim Goosen.

HOLY CROSS ACOLYTES: August 27—Morgan Mummert; September 3—Brooklyn

Cross; September 10—Gage Cross; September 17—Jenna Harms.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: August 27 – Randy Meyer and Randy Harms.

September 3 – Randy Harms and Marvin Dieckman.

ALTAR FLOWERS: August 27—Ruby Heimsoth; September 3—Gayla Hickman; September 10—Florine Hobein; September 17—The Ladies' Aid; September 24—Ethelene Jagels; October 1—Joleen Kullman.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Lora Harms, Alice Borchers, Rodger Eckhoff, Jim Brockman, Jeannette Bahrenburg, and members and loved ones in nursing homes or restricted to their homes, including Wilbert Meyer.

<u>THE CHOIR</u> will practice after our worship service today for our upcoming anniversary service. Additional practices will be held on Sunday evenings.

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.

THE FIRST OF OUR 175th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATONS will be on Sunday, Sept. 17, with our former pastor, Rev. Dale Sveom, as our guest speaker. The meal following the service will be potluck, so please bring something to share as we have this opportunity for fellowship and visiting with the Sveom family. We encourage you to mark this date and plan to be with us for this celebration.

<u>HELP NEEDED:</u> Holy Cross needs someone to serve on the Altar Guild. If you would be willing to help, please contact Dorothy Holtzen at 668-3185

REFORMATION HYMN FESTIVAL will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, Columbia, on Sunday, November 5, at 3:00 p.m. with Dr. John Behnke serving as the guest organist and festival director. Please consider joining in the Hymn Festival in a special way by participating in the Mass Choir for the event. If you would like to join the choir, please call or email Ken Greer at (573-234-1448, winemanken@aol.com), or Carolyn Holste at (573-234-1325, carolynhoste@yahoo.com) by Sept. 15th so the music can be mailed to you. **NEW INFORMATION** regarding the Festival Choir for "We Sing the Faith" – a 500th Anniversary of the Reformation Hymn Festival in the world-class Helzberg Hall at the Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts in Kansas City, Missouri, Due to an overwhelming response to the 7pm performance with all tickets being sold out, we are pleased to announce that there is also now a matinee performance! The matinee will be at 4pm and the evening performance will be at 7pm. Free tickets for the matinee will be available on Tuesday, September 5, at 10am. Tickets may be reserved online at tickets.kauffmancenter.org or by calling the box office at 816-994-7222. Online method of reservation is preferable because phone lines get very busy. The festival will take place on Sunday, October 15, and is sponsored by congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. This FREE community event will feature many favorite hymns, choir anthems, plus organists Dr. Jeffrey Blersch from Concordia University Nebraska in Seward and Dr. Elisa Bickers from Village Presbyterian Church in Prairie Village, KS, and brass and percussion from the Kansas City Symphony.

PLEATERS AND FLUFFERS are desperately needed for the PIE float!! Please pick up materials at Farmers Mutual Insurance during their business hours or stop by LSA Monday-Thursday from 4pm-8pm. All help is greatly appreciated! FLOAT WORK CONTINUES THIS WEEK: Anyone who has flowers at home, please bring them in ASAP, or let us know what color flowers you still have out. Help is needed with stuffing the flowers on cardboard, Mon.-Fri., 6:30 p.m. This will take place at Mike Dieckman's building in Cole Camp (alley entrance). All help is greatly appreciated! ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU to a Pulled Pork Dinner TODAY, from 11:00 to 1:00 p.m. at the Lutheran School Auditorium, Cole Camp, MO. The menu includes: pulled pork, potato salad, coleslaw, green beans, salads, and desserts. A free will offering will be taken at the door with proceeds going to the Cole Camp Area Church Alliance projects and our missionary Pastor Peter Kolb for his work in Thailand.

FOR A QUICK SPIRITUAL PICK-ME-UP, Dial-a-Devotion is once again being offered by Trinity. If you would like to hear this brief, daily devotion, please dial 660-668-2364 and **press 1** to hear the devotion.

Today's Service

Divine Service Setting One

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Hymn of Invocation: 802

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

The Introit

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The Readings:

Isaiah 51:1-6—Great Reversal
Romans 11:33-12:8—Doxology
statement and living sacrifices
Matthew 16:13-20—Peter confesses
Jesus as Christ

Hymn of the Day: 645 "Built on the Rock"

The Sermon

Theme: "Transformed for Service"
Text: Romans 11:33-12:8

Distribution Hymns:

821: "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus 628: "Your Table I Approach"

Closing Hymn: 566
"By Grace I'm Saved"
(LSA Hymn of the Month)