Introit -

Blessèd are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes!

How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word.

With my whole heart I seek you;

let me not wander from your commandments!

I have stored up your word in my heart. that I might not sin against you.

Blessèd are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes!

With my lips I declare

all the just decrees of your mouth.

In the way of your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches.

I will meditate on your precepts

and fix my eyes on your ways.

I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.

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: Isaiah 58:3-9

³"'Why have we fasted, and you see it not?

Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?'

Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure,

and oppress all your workers.

⁴Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight

and to hit with a wicked fist.

Fasting like yours this day

will not make your voice to be heard on high.

⁵Is such the fast that I choose.

a day for a person to humble himself?

Is it to bow down his head like a reed,

and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him?

Will you call this a fast,

and a day acceptable to the LORD?

⁶"Is not this the fast that I choose:

to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke,

to let the oppressed go free,

and to break every yoke?

⁷Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house;

when you see the naked, to cover him,

and not to hide yourself from your own flesh?

⁸Then shall your light break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily;

your righteousness shall go before you;

the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

⁹Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;

you shall cry, and he will say, 'Here I am.'"

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

¹And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, ⁴and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power. 5that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

⁶Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. ⁷But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. 8None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written,

"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him"—

¹⁰these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. ¹³And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual.

¹⁴The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. ¹⁶"For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

P This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord. (sung)

¹³[Jesus said:] "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

¹⁴"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

¹⁷"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. C Praise to You, O Christ. (sung)

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<u>WELCOME!</u> 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 USING THE MEANS OF GRACE LAST WEEK

Worship Service: 101; Holy Communion: 61 Visitors: 6, Adult Bible Class: 13 Sunday School: 19.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK February 9 thru February 16

TODAY: Jr. Youth Group at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.

MON.: LSA Basketball at Alma, girls at 5:30PM, boys at 6:30PM
TUE.: Dual Parish Elders' Meeting at Pastors' office, 6:30 p.m.
Holy Cross Ladies' Aid Meeting at Ambrose, 7:00 p.m.

WED.: LSA Chapel, 8:35 a.m. (everyone is welcome!)

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

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

Bulletin Deadline to Karen by noon on Thursdays. (ph. 660-668-2425) Communion at Good Samaritan at 2:30 p.m. and at Ambrose at 3:30 p.m. Basketball at LSA vs High Point, girls at 6:30 p.m., boys at 7:30 p.m.

St. John's Ladies' Aid Meeting at Ambrose, 6:45 p.m.

Joint Men's Club Meeting at Trinity, 7:00 p.m.

FRI.: Happy Valentine's Day

SAT.: Saturday evening worship at Trinity, 6:30 p.m., Bible Class at 7:30 p.m.

NEXT SUN.: Worship Service at Holy Cross, 8:00 a.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class at Holy Cross, 9:00 a.m.

Bible Class at St. John's, 9:30 a.m. Worship Service at St. John's, 10:30 a.m. Couples' Club Meeting at Holy Cross, 6:00 p.m.

ACOLYTES: Feb 9—Kadence Hargrave; Feb 16—Tyler Howard; Feb 23—Skylar Mummert; Mar 1—Bailly Stoppel; Mar 8—Dylana Stoppel; Mar 15—Emily Burdick; Mar 22—Gentry Dieckman; Mar 29—Jason Dieckman; Apr 5—Lille Douglas.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: February 23—Randy Meyer and Jim Goosen; March 1—Jim Goosen and Scott Harms.

HOLY CROSS GREETER: February – Janet Mummert; March – Jeff Kullman.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Arthur Hagen; Eileen Brandes, Ethelene Jagels, Thomas Eckhoff, Lora Harms, Fred Oelrichs, Bill Talbott, Greg Ives, and members and loved ones in nursing homes or restricted to their homes.

LENT this year, begins on Ash Wednesday, February 26th with our joint Dual Parish service at St. John's, beginning at 7:00 p.m., Our Ash Wednesday service will be based on "A Wounded Savior for a Wounded People". The theme for this year's Lenten season is "Sacred Head Now Wounded." Mid-week Lenten vesper services will be joint Cole Camp Regional Ministry services as we worship together at the following locations: Mar. 4—Trinity—"The Wound of Betrayal"; Mar 11—Holy Cross—"The Wound of Apathy" Mar 18—Mt. Hulda—"The Wound of Denial"; Mar 25—Trinity—"The Wound of Mockery" April 1—St. John's—"The Wound of Abandonment". There will be no meal on Ash Wednesday, but all other Lenten services will be preceded by a meal beginning at 5:30.

<u>LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS</u>: It's once again time to renew subscriptions for Lutheran Witness. The cost is \$15.96 per year. Please use the offering envelope included in your envelope box and put it in the offering plate or give it to Vickie.

THE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY CONFERENCE TEAM is scheduled to meet next Thursday, February 13th, from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the conference room at Trinity. This meeting will have two primary important objectives: 1) Review the proofs for the brochure, flyer, sponsorship letter, and website; and 2) make a decision about the Gemütlichkeit location.

SOUPER BOWL RESULTS ARE IN! Yes, we all know the Chiefs won the Super Bowl, but the more important question is, "Who won the Cole Camp SOUPER Bowl??" First, the Ministerial Alliance wants to say thank you to ALL who participated, as this not only brings in needed groceries for the Food Pantry but also brings a renewed awareness to the work of the Pantry in this town. Again, thank you! This year's winners are:

- ❖ 1st Place St. Paul's Lutheran
- 2nd Place Ionia Methodist
- ❖ 3rd Place Holy Cross Lutheran

All who participated this year: Cole Camp Methodist, Trinity Lutheran, American Legion Auxiliary, St. John's Lutheran, Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic, and Brauersville Lutheran.

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<u>IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ORDER</u> new LSA gear, the on-line store is open until February 23rd. The orders will be ready by March 6, 2020. Go to stores.inksoft.com/lsa_colecamp/ to make your purchase. Show support of your school by wearing LSA apparel. What a wonderful way of letting people know about the Lutheran School Association and your Christian faith!!!

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Hymn 578

"Thy Strong Word"

Hymn of Praise

"Gloria in Excelsis" - page 154

The Collect of the Day

O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen. (sung)

The Readings:

Isaiah 58:3-9—Fasting?
1 Cor. 2:1-16— We Preach Christ Crucified
Matthew 5:13-20 — Sermon on
the Mount

Hymn of the Day 842

"Son of God, Eternal Savior"

The Sermon

Closing Hymn: 702
"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"