

## **Introit for Sexagesima**

Awake! Why are you sleeping, O Lord?

Rouse yourself! Do not reject us forever!

**For our soul is bowed down to the dust.**

**Rise up; come to our help!**

O God, we have heard with our ears, our fathers have told us,  
what deeds you performed in their days, in the days of old:

**you with your own hand drove out the nations, but them  
you planted;**

**you afflicted the peoples, but them you set free.**

But you have saved us from our foes

and have put to shame those who hate us.

**In God we have boasted continually,**

**and we will give thanks to your name forever.**

*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 55:10-13**

<sup>10</sup>“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven

and do not return there but water the earth,

making it bring forth and sprout,

giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,

<sup>11</sup>so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;

it shall not return to me empty,

but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,

and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

<sup>12</sup>“For you shall go out in joy

and be led forth in peace;

the mountains and the hills before you

shall break forth into singing,

and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

<sup>13</sup>Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;

instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;

and it shall make a name for the LORD,

an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

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

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **Epistle: Hebrews 4:9-13**

<sup>9</sup>So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, <sup>10</sup>for whoever has entered God’s rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

<sup>11</sup>Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. <sup>12</sup>For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

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

## **Holy Gospel: Luke 8:4-15**

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

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

<sup>4</sup>When a great crowd was gathering and people from town after town came to [Jesus], he said in a parable: <sup>5</sup>“A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the air devoured it. <sup>6</sup>And some fell on the rock, and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. <sup>7</sup>And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up with it and choked it. <sup>8</sup>And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold.” As he said these things, he called out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

<sup>9</sup>And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, <sup>10</sup>he said, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God, but for others they are in parables, so that ‘seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.’ <sup>11</sup>Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. <sup>12</sup>The ones along the path are those who have heard. Then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. <sup>13</sup>And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away. <sup>14</sup>And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. <sup>15</sup>As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.

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

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

# HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Cole Camp, Missouri

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**WELCOME FRIEND.** Greetings and a warm welcome to you as we come to worship together today. We pray that the Holy Spirit would grant you a rewarding spiritual experience through today's service.

**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 service next Sunday. 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.

### **CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of February 24 to March 3**

TODAY: HOLY COMMUNION

Easter Cantata Practice at Trinity, 5:00-6:30 p.m.

MON.: Sedalia Circuit Professional Church Worker Conference at St. John's, 10am

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

Financial Peace University at Trinity's Fellowship Hall, 7PM

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))

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

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.

**HOLY CROSS ACOLYTES:** Feb 24—Destiny Kestner; Mar 3—Skylar Mummert; Mar 10—Dylana Stoppel; Mar 17—Emily Burdick.

**HOLY CROSS COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** Feb. 24 – Randy Meyer /Jim Goosen.  
Mar. 3 – Jim Goosen / Randy Harms.

**HOLY CROSS GREETER:** March – Jeff Kullman.

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Eileen Brandes, Ethelene Jagels, Alice Borchers, Thomas Eckhoff, Lavera Harms, Lora Harms, Gayle Hayden, Bill Talbott, Bonnie Fitzpatrick, Greg Ives, and members and loved ones in nursing homes or restricted to their homes.

**THE L.W.M.L. SEDALIA ZONE SPRING RALLY** will be held on Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at Heit's Point with Registration and Social Time beginning at 9:00 a.m. Host societies are St. John's, Holy Cross, Mt. Hulda, and St. Paul, Stover. Save the date, more details later!

**SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS AT HOLY CROSS:** The elders have set the dates for a few important things concerning the new addition to Holy Cross. We will be opening the time capsule that is in the old cornerstone following the church service on Sunday, March 10th. The dedication service for the new addition will be part of our Sunday morning service on Sunday, April 28th. Please join us for these celebration events!

**THE HOLY CROSS BUDGET FOR 2019** is \$13042.50 per month. January contributions were \$9,668. February contributions for the first two weeks are \$2775.96. Amount owed the bank is \$28,700.

**THE FIRST EASTER CANTATA REHEARSAL** will be this afternoon at Trinity, beginning at 5:00. If you enjoy singing, please join in! The Cantata will be held on Sunday, April 28.

**TRINITY IS PRIVILEGED** to be hosting Lutheran High School of Kansas City on Thursday evening, March 7<sup>th</sup> for the initial concert on its spring tour. The Concert Band, Concert Choir, and Resounding Joy Handbell Choir will be performing, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The group consists of 50 students which will need to be housed that evening. They will be paired up and will simply need to be given a place to sleep and breakfast in the morning. Myra Case (cell: 816-805-2061 and email: [mcase@embargmail.com](mailto:mcase@embargmail.com)) is the contact person for volunteers to house the Lutheran High School musicians after the concert on March 7. If you would like to host a couple of Lutheran high school musicians, please contact Myra and let her know. Or, if you have extra room, and could take 4 or more, let her know that too!

**TAX SEASON IS UPON US!** The "Tax Cuts and Jobs Act" has brought about significant changes and created tax opportunities you might be unaware of. Thrivent Financial is offering a free 30-minute tax seminar to help you understand these changes, and how they can affect you. Please join us on Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. at the Thrivent Office, located at 120 S Maple St in Cole Camp. Seating is limited, so please RSVP as soon as possible. Contacting Michael Bauer at 660-221-7025. Drinks & snacks provided!  
**A BABY SHOWER** is being planned for Katie and Baby Grace Poppen on Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 2:00 p.m. All ladies of the Dual Parish are invited to attend. The shower will be held in the basement at St. John's. (Just a note...Grace already has plenty of blankets!)

**THIS AFTERNOON**, beginning at 2:00, all are invited to an afternoon of speaking (or listening to) Low German. This will be at the German Table. There's NO meeting and NO PRESSURE TO JOIN ANYTHING—just an afternoon of relaxation and fun. Even if you don't speak or understand Low German, it might be fun for you to listen to some of the "older folks" share stories about their childhood and growing up!

**TELL THE NEXT GENERATION:** A Family Ministry Conference will be held on March 9, 2019 at Zion Lutheran Church, St. Charles, MO. Cost is \$10 per person (lunch included) Learn what's working for others in our district and how people are overcoming the same challenges you're facing. Please register by March 1, 2019. Learn more: [mo.lcms.org](http://mo.lcms.org) (look under the EVENTS tab)

**THE CCHS CLASS OF 2022** will be hosting their freshman class dinner TODAY, February 24<sup>th</sup> from 11-1pm. The menu will include pork, posh potatoes, green beans, hot roll, salad, dessert, and drink. Tickets are \$7 for adult and \$4 for ages 5-12.

**MEN'S CLUB DINNER:** - The Trinity Men's Club will be serving a German Style dinner on Sunday, March 10, 2019, with serving from 11:30am until 1:00pm. A free will offering will be taken, with all proceeds used to provide financial aid to seminary students and students at Concordia colleges. Please come and enjoy good food and fellowship and help support these students.

**SPLHS SERVANTS OF THE SAINTS SPRING RUMMAGE SALE** will be held on Thursday March 14, 6am-7pm; Friday March 15, 8am-7pm; and Saturday March 16, 8am-noon (\$5.00 Bag Sale) at the SPLHS Annex/West Side of Gymnasium located at 205 Main Street in Concordia, MO.

## **Today's Service**

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***Divine Service Setting Three***

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**Hymn of Invocation: 577**

"Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast"

**The Introit**

(Printed on the back of the bulletin)

**The Collect of the Day**

☞ Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ☩ Amen. (sung)

**The Readings:**

Isaiah 55:10-13—God's Word accomplishes its purposes  
Hebrews 4:9-13—Sabbath rest and the Word of God  
Luke 8:4-15—Parable of the Sower

**Hymn of the Day: 586**

"Preach You the Word"

**Sermon**

Text: Hebrews 4:9-13

Title: "Sabbath Rest and God's Word"

**Distribution Hymns**

578, "Thy Strong Word"  
700, "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"  
585, "Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide"

**Closing Hymn: 660**

"Sand Up, Stand Up, for Jesus"