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Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me!

For you are my rock and my fortress; and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me.

In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me!

Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress; my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and my body also.

Make your face shine on your servant; save me in your steadfast love!

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 35:3-7

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees.

Say to those who have an anxious heart,

"Be strong; fear not!

Behold, your God

will come with vengeance.

with the recompense of God.

He will come and save you."

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

then shall the lame man leap like a deer,

and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.

For waters break forth in the wilderness,

and streams in the desert;

the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water;

in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

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

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love. I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

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Holy Gospel: Luke 18:31-43

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

Taking the twelve, [Jesus] said to them, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished.

For he will be delivered over to the Gentiles and will be mocked and shamefully treated and spit upon.

And after flogging him, they will kill him, and on the third day he will rise." But they understood none of these things. This saying was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said.

As he drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. And hearing a crowd going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." And he cried out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped and commanded him to be brought to him. And when he came near, he asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me recover my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Recover your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him, glorifying God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

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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.

THOSE USING THE MEANS OF GRACE LAST SUNDAY

Worship Service: 97; Visitors: 2; Holy Communion: 72;

Adult Bible Class: 10; Sunday School: 12.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of March 3 to March 10

TODAY: HOLY COMMUNION

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

CCRM High School Youth at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.

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

Ash Wednesday pre-service Soup Supper at St. John's, 6:00 p.m.

Dual Parish Ash Wednesday Worship with Communion at St. John's, 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)

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

Kansas City Lutheran High School Spring concert at Trinity, 7:00 p.m.

Evening Worship with Communion at Trinity, 6:30 pm; Bible Class at 7:30 SAT.:

NEXT SUN.: Daylight Savings Time Begins (move clocks one hour ahead)

Worship Service with Holy Communion 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.

Open the Cornerstone Time Capsule after the worship service

Men's Club German Dinner, 11:30 am – 1pm at Trinity

HOLY CROSS ACOLYTES: Mar 3—Skylar Mummert; Mar 10—Dylana Stoppel;

Mar 17—Emily Burdick; Mar 24—Gage Cross; Mar 31—Gentry Dieckman.

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

HOLY CROSS GREETER: March – Jeff Kullman.

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

SPRING CONCERT TOUR begins at Trinity, Cole Camp, this Thursday evening, March 7, for Lutheran High School of Kansas City. 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) is the contact person for volunteers to house the Lutheran High School musicians after the concert on March 7.

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 our worship service next 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! 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. PLEASE NOTE!! There will be an Ezra/Nehemiah meeting tonight, March 3, in our church basement, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

LENT BEGINS THIS WEEK on Ash Wednesday, March 6, with a Communion service for our dual parish at St. John's, beginning at 7:00 p.m. "Behold the Man!" is the Lenten Series for this year with the focus for this week on "A God Who Hungers.". Before the service, beginning at 6:00 p.m., the ladies of St. John's will be serving a variety of soups for supper. Please join us for food, fellowship, and worship.

JUST AS CHRIST PUT HIS LOVE FOR US INTO ACTION. by His suffering and death for our sins, the CCRM is giving us the chance to put our love in action with our Lenten door offerings to "New Beginnings Women's Center" of Warrensburg, MO. Learn about this worthwhile cause by checking out their web site at www.nbwburg.org. They offer Real Options. Real Help. Their mission is to reach out to women and men in an unplanned pregnancy and empower them to choose life for their child. They are dedicated to advancing the sanctity of human life and sexual purity. Your prayers, gifts. talents, time and finances can be invested in the lives of many--an investment in eternity. HOLY CROSS BUDGET for 2019 is \$13042.50 per month. January contributions were \$9,668. February contributions are \$10,493.96. Amount owed the bank is \$29,200. A BABY SHOWER is being planned for Katie and Baby Grace Poppen on Sunday. March 17th, beginning at 2:00 p.m. in St. John's basement. All ladies of the Dual Parish are invited to attend. (Just a note...Grace already has plenty of blankets!) THE L.W.M.L. SEDALIA ZONE SPRING RALLY will be held on Tuesday. April 2nd 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. The theme for the rally will be "Walking in His Marvelous Light" with Chaplain Craig G. Muehler, Capt, CHC, USN (ret), director of LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces as our speaker, as well as Whitney Cromley from Cancer Perks. There will be a general offering, a love offering for "Ministry of the Armed Forces", and an ingathering for Cancer Perks. Cost of the noon lunch will be \$9.00. Please plan to attend this inspirational rally – see you at Heit's Point on Apr 2! MEN'S CLUB DINNER: - The Trinity Men's Club will be serving a German Style dinner next 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, 8amnoon (\$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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Hymn of Invocation: 573

"Lord, "Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee"

The Introit

(Printed on the back of the bulletin)

The Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully hear our prayers and having set us free from the bonds of our sins deliver us from every evil; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Readings:

Isaiah 35:3-7—The Great Reversal 1 Cor. 13:1-13—The Love Chapter Luke 18:31-43—Jesus predicts His death

Hymn of the Day: 849

"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

Sermon

Text: Luke 18:31-43 Title: "Predicting What's to Come"

Distribution Hymns

411, "I Want to Walk as a Child" 744, "Amazing Grace" 797, "Praise the Almighty"

Closing Hymn: 417

"Alleluia, Song of Gladness"