

## **Introit for The Epiphany of our Lord**

I will cause your name to be remembered in all generations;  
therefore nations will praise you forever and ever.

**Your throne, O God, is forever and ever. The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of uprightness;  
you have loved righteousness and hated wickedness.**

Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions;  
your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and aloes and cassia.

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therefore nations will praise you forever and ever.**

## **Old Testament Reading - Isaiah 60:1–6**

<sup>1</sup>Arise, shine, for your light has come,  
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

<sup>2</sup>For behold, darkness shall cover the earth,  
and thick darkness the peoples;  
but the LORD will arise upon you,  
and his glory will be seen upon you.

<sup>3</sup>And nations shall come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your rising.

<sup>4</sup>Lift up your eyes all around, and see;  
they all gather together, they come to you;  
your sons shall come from afar,  
and your daughters shall be carried on the hip.

<sup>5</sup>Then you shall see and be radiant;  
your heart shall thrill and exult,  
because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you,  
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

<sup>6</sup>A multitude of camels shall cover you,  
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;  
all those from Sheba shall come.  
They shall bring gold and frankincense,  
and shall bring good news, the praises of the LORD.

## **The Epistle - Ephesians 3:1–12**

<sup>1</sup>For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles— <sup>2</sup>assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God’s grace that was given to me for you, <sup>3</sup>show the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. <sup>4</sup>When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ, <sup>5</sup>which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to

his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit. <sup>6</sup>This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

<sup>7</sup>Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God’s grace, which was given me by the working of his power. <sup>8</sup>To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, <sup>9</sup>and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things, <sup>10</sup>so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. <sup>11</sup>This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, <sup>12</sup>in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.

## **Holy Gospel – Matthew 2:1–12**

<sup>1</sup>Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup>saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.” <sup>3</sup>When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; <sup>4</sup>and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. <sup>5</sup>They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

<sup>6</sup>“And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,  
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;  
for from you shall come a ruler  
who will shepherd my people Israel.”

<sup>7</sup>Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. <sup>7</sup> And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him.” <sup>9</sup>After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup>When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. <sup>11</sup>And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. <sup>12</sup>And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

# **HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**Cole Camp, Missouri**

*The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod*

*The Epiphany of our Lord Sunday*  
January 8, 2017



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**WELCOME!** As the holy family welcomed the Wise Men, this family called Holy Cross welcomes you. As they came to worship the Christ, so have you. And, as Christ was present for the Wise Men, so He is present for you and us. Welcome!

**THOSE USING THE MEANS OF GRACE LAST WEEK:**

Worship Service: 90; Holy Communion: 61; Visitors: 11;  
Bible Class: 9; Sunday School: 12.

**CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of January 8 to January 15**

TODAY: Quarterly Voters' Meeting following our worship service  
Jr. Youth Gathering at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.  
MON.: 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' Basketball Tournament at Tipton (Jan. 9, 10, 13, 14)  
WED.: LSA Chapel Service at Trinity, 8:05 a.m. (All are invited!)  
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 Care Center, 2:30 p.m.  
Basketball at LSA vs Alma, First game begins at 4:30 p.m.  
CCRM Men's Club Epiphany Dinner, 7:00 p.m. at Trinity  
FRI-SAT: 7/8 Boys' Basketball Tournament at Jefferson City  
SAT.: Saturday evening worship service at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.  
NEXT SUN.: Worship Service at St. John's, 8:00 a.m.  
Sunday School and Bible Class, 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.  
Holy Cross Couples' Club Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

**HOLY CROSS GREETER:** January – Marvin Dieckman.

**HOLY CROSS ACOLYTES:** January 8—Gage Cross; January 15—Jenna Harms;  
January 22—Tyler Hickman; Jan 29—Destiny Kestner.

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** January 22 – Randy Meyer and Randy Harms.

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** Matthew Kurz; members and loved ones in nursing homes or restricted to their homes, including Wilbert Meyer, Marge Burdick, Helen Harms.

**THE QUARTERLY VOTERS' MEETING** will be held TODAY, following the worship service.

**WHILE PASTOR HERTWIG IS ON VACATION** from Jan. 8 thru on or around Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>, Pastor Leonard Poppe will be on call for any emergencies or hospital visits. You can call him @ home 660-547-3399 or cell 660-287-6176.

**LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS** are again \$15.96. Please make checks to Holy Cross. You can use the LW envelope from your offering box or speak to Wanda or Vickie by Jan. 22 for a renewal or a new subscription.

**SECRETARIES OF ALL ORGANIZATIONS** are asked to submit an article of the happenings and events of their group for the past three months for the Quarterly Newsletter. Please email your article to karen.oelrichs@gmail.com, regular mail to Karen Oelrichs, 711 S Oak St, Cole Camp, MO 65325 or call 668-2425 by Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Thanks for your help!

**2017 CHURCH DIRECTORY** will be printed at the end of January. If your address, phone number, cell phone number or email address need to be included or updated for the new directory, please send Karen an email at karen.oelrichs@gmail.com or give her a call at 660-668-2425. Please leave a message!

**THE BLACK KNIGHTS** play basketball against Alma on their home court at the L.C. Schnell Auditorium at LSA on Thursday evening, January 12<sup>th</sup>. The 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade Girls' game begins at 4:30 p.m., followed by the 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Boys at 5:30. At 6:30, the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade girls will take on the Alma girls and 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade Boys game will begin at 7:30 p.m. Come on out the LSA and enjoy an evening of basketball!

**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.

**SOUPER BOWL:** The Food Pantry would like to challenge churches and organizations in the Cole Camp area to compete in the 2nd annual SOUPER Bowl collection! Whoever collects the most cans of soup or boxes of crackers will win the coveted traveling trophy and bragging rights for the coming year. But everyone who participates will know that you will be helping to fight hunger in our area. The final tally on food collected will happen on the day of the big game, Sunday, February 5. To participate or if you have questions, contact Pastor Stephen Zeller (668-3537 or StephenPZeller@gmail.com).

**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. Enjoy!

**Today's Service**

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**Hymn of Invocation: 396**  
"Arise and Shine in Splendor"

**The Introit**  
(Printed on the back of the bulletin)

**The Readings:**  
Isaiah 60:1-6  
Ephesians 3:1-12  
Matthew 2:1-12

**Hymn of the Day: 394**  
"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

**The Sermon**  
Theme: "We Have Come  
to Worship Him"  
Text: Matthew 2:1-6

**Closing Hymn: 393**  
"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"