

Old Testament Reading - Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18 1And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, 2“Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them, You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.

9“When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. 10And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the LORD your God.

11“You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another. 12You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the LORD.

13“You shall not oppress your neighbor or rob him. The wages of a hired servant shall not remain with you all night until the morning. 14You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the LORD.

15“You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. 16You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

17“You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. 18You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

The Epistle - 1 Corinthians 3:10-23

10According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care how he builds upon it. 11For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. 12Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw— 13each one’s work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. 14If the work

that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. 15If anyone’s work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire.

16Do you not know that you are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you? 17If anyone destroys God’s temple, God will destroy him. For God’s temple is holy, and you are that temple.

18Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you thinks that he is wise in this age, let him become a fool that he may become wise. 19For the wisdom of this world is folly with God. For it is written, “He catches the wise in their craftiness,” 20and again, “The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile.” 21So let no one boast in men. For all things are yours, 22whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all are yours, 23and you are Christ’s, and Christ is God’s.

Holy Gospel - Matthew 5:38-48

38 [Jesus said:] “You have heard that it was said, ‘An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.’

39 But I say to you, Do not resist the one who is evil. But if anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also. 40 And if anyone would sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. 41 And if anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. 42 Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you.

43 “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ 44 But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, 45 so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. 46 For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? 47 And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? 48 You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

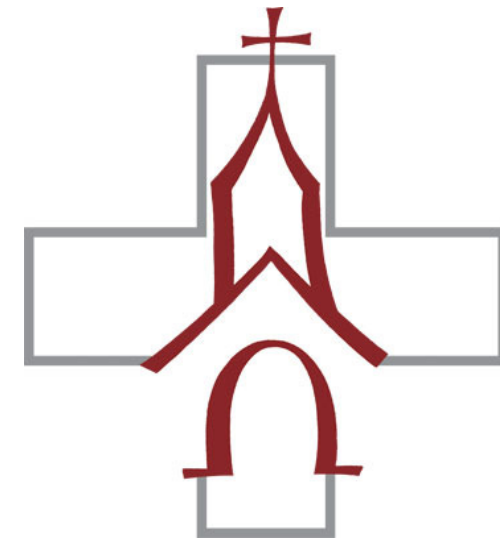
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WE WELCOME YOU to our celebration of faith and praise! In a world of confusion and turmoil, our lives are built on our God who is mighty and everlasting and sure, and so we come together in thanksgiving and joy.

WE WILL BE CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER 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 USING THE MEANS OF GRACE:

Worship Service: 82; Visitors: 5; Sunday School: 12

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of February 19 to February 26

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

CCRM Easter Cantata Practice at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.

MON.: President's Day – No School at LSA

TUE.: LSA Basketball at Clinton Christian, 5/6 Girls – 4:30pm 5/6 Boys—5:30pm,
7/8 Girls—6:30pm; 7/8 Boys—7:30pm

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.

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

Basketball at LSA vs. St. Paul, Concordia, 7/8 Girls—5PM; 7/8 Boys—6PM

Cole Camp Regional Ministry Team Meeting at Trinity, 7:00 p.m.

FRI.: LSAM Basketball Tournament

SAT.: LSAM Basketball Tournament

Saturday evening worship with Holy Communion at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.

NEXT SUN.: Worship Service with Holy Communion 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 with Holy Communion at Holy Cross, 10:30 a.m.

LSAM Basketball Tournament

GREETERS: February – Janet Mummert

HOLY CROSS ACOLYTES: Feb 19—Brooklyn Cross; Feb. 26—Gage Cross; Mar 5—Jenna Harms; Mar 12—Tyler Hickman; Mar 19—Destiny Kestner; Mar 26—Grant Louiselle.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: February 26 – Marvin Dieckman & Randy Meyer
March 5 – Randy Meyer and Randy Harms.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Rev. Karl Gibbs, as he considers the Divine Call to St. John's and Holy Cross; Matthew Kurz; members and loved ones in nursing homes or restricted to their homes, including, Marge Burdick, Helen Harms, Wilbert Meyer and Leland Bahrenburg.

EASTER CANTATA practices are being held on Sunday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the balcony at Trinity. We will be performing "We Were There", a dramatic choral experience for Easter by Peter Choplin. If you like to sing, please come and join us!

THE MONTHLY MEETING of the Cole Camp Regional Ministry Team will be held this Thursday evening, February 23rd at Trinity, beginning at 7:00 p.m. If you have ideas for the Regional Ministry or would just like to see what's going on, please feel free to attend! **IT IS VERY IMPORTANT** that the "Call Reach" phone number list is accurate and up-to-date. If you have dropped your land line or changed your cell phone number, please let Wanda Meyer (660-668-3976 or 660-221-9763) know as soon as possible. The church is charged on a "per number" basis so we don't want to have unnecessary numbers being called if the wrong person, or no one at all, is receiving the call. Thank you for your help in getting our list up-to-date!

LENT BEGINS with our Ash Wednesday service on Wednesday evening, March 1. The theme for our meditation for this Lenten season will be "Behold My Servant." The Cole Camp Regional Ministry churches will once again be worshipping together on the six Wednesday evenings during Lent, with the following schedule:

March 1st at Trinity March 8th at St. John's March 15 at Mt. Hulda

March 22nd at Holy Cross March 29th at Trinity April 5th at St. John's.

All services will begin at 7:00 p.m.

ASH WEDNESDAY SUPPER: The Trinity Circle Plan will host the Ash Wednesday Supper on March 1, with serving beginning at 5 PM in Trinity's fellowship hall.

The menu includes pulled pork sandwiches, chips, sides, desserts and beverages. There will be a free will donation.

LSA BASKETBALL THIS WEEK: On Tuesday evening, Feb 21, all LSA teams will journey to Clinton Christian with the first game (5/6 girls) at 4:30 p.m, 5/6 boys at 5:30, 7/8 girls at 6:30 and the final game (7/8 boys) at 8:30 p.m. On Thursday, Feb. 23, the 7/8 Girls and Boys teams will play on their home court at LSA against St. Paul of Concordia. The girls play at 5, followed by the boys at 6PM.

St. Paul Servants of the Saints Rummage Sale: The SOS Spring Rummage Sale will be March 9-11 at the Weis Gym Annex on the campus of St. Paul High School. On Saturday, all remaining items will be sold \$5.00/grocery bag, and large items will be marked half price. The next collection day for donations is April 3 at 210 Main in Concordia, but furniture will be accepted February 27-March 3 at the Annex. If you have questions, please contact Cheryl (660) 229-3923 or Beth (660) 909-4009, and feel free to check out our Facebook group for updates (Servants of the Saints Rummage Sale).

ATTENTION JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH!!! The Missouri District Junior High Youth Gathering will be held at Camp Windemere on March 31st-April 2nd. The theme is "Rescued" and will focus on baptism. The youth will engage in a multi-session Bible study based on the theme, games, fellowship, team building, a talent show, worship, and a "Saturday Night Fun Fest". It is for youth in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. The cost will be \$60 per youth. If you are interested in attending, please contact Brian MacLean (660-287-2885) or Kim Horstman (816-519-1835). The registration deadline is March 12th. Join us for a great experience. Your assistance is greatly appreciated!

Today's Service

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Hymn of Invocation: 913
"O Holy Spirit, Enter In"

Psalm 119:33-40

Office Hymn: 820

"My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker"

The Readings:

Leviticus 19:1-2,9-18

1 Corinthians 3:10-23

Matthew 5:38-48

The Sermon

Theme: "Be Ye Perfect"

Text: Matthew 5:46-48

Hymn 940

(in place of TE DEUM)

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

Closing Hymn: 919

"Abide, O Dearest Jesus "