

Introit for The Holy Trinity

Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity.

Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mercy to us.

I have set the LORD always before me;

because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;
my flesh also dwells secure.

**For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,
or let your holy one see corruption.**

You make known to me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are
pleasures forevermore.

**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 Proverbs 8:1–4, 22–31

¹Does not wisdom call?

Does not understanding raise her voice?

²On the heights beside the way,

at the crossroads she takes her stand;

³beside the gates in front of the town,

at the entrance of the portals she cries aloud:

⁴“To you, O men, I call,

and my cry is to the children of man.

²²“The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of old.

²³Ages ago I was set up,

at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth,

when there were no springs abounding with water.

²⁵Before the mountains had been shaped,

before the hills, I was brought forth,

²⁶before he had made the earth with its fields,

or the first of the dust of the world.

²⁷When he established the heavens, I was there;

when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,

²⁸when he made firm the skies above,

when he established the fountains of the deep,

²⁹when he assigned to the sea its limit,

so that the waters might not transgress his command,

when he marked out the foundations of the earth,

³⁰then I was beside him, like a master workman,

and I was daily his delight,

rejoicing before him always,

³¹rejoicing in his inhabited world

and delighting in the children of man.”

The Epistle - Acts 2:14a, 22–36

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.

²²“Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— ²³this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ²⁵For David says concerning him, “‘I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; ²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. ²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption. ²⁸You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

²⁹“Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. ³⁴For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, “‘The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, ³⁵until I make your enemies your footstool.’ ³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

Holy Gospel - John 8:48–59

⁴⁸The Jews answered him, “Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?” ⁴⁹Jesus answered, “I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. ⁵⁰Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. ⁵¹Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death.” ⁵²The Jews said to him, “Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, ‘If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.’ ⁵³Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?” ⁵⁴Jesus answered, “‘If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, ‘He is our God.’ ⁵⁵But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. ⁵⁶Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad.” ⁵⁷So the Jews said to him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?” ⁵⁸Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.” ⁵⁹So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

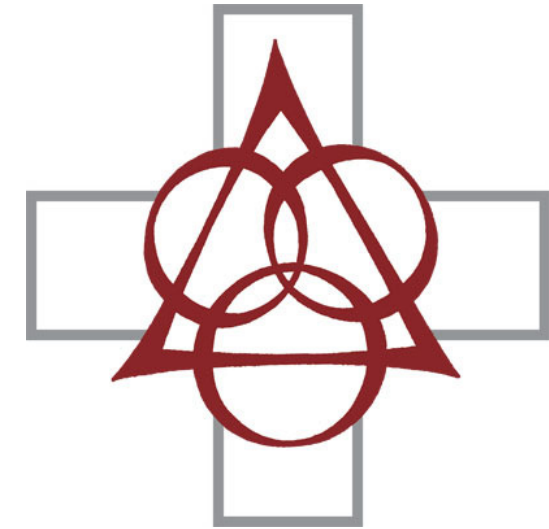
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A WARM WELCOME TO ALL! May God our Father and our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ give you grace and peace, and may the Holy Spirit bless your worship here today.

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 WEEK:

Worship Service: 92; Communion: 63; Visitors: 5; Bible Class: 8; Sun. School: 19

HOLY CROSS CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of May 22 – May 29

TODAY: HOLY COMMUNION

THUR.: Men's Bible Study at Classic, 7AM
Women's Bible Study at Trinity, 9:30 a.m.
Bulletin deadline to Karen O., 12:00 noon
Communion at Good Samaritan, 2:30 p.m.
CCRM Team Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at Trinity

SAT.: Saturday Evening Worship at Trinity, 6:30 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.
Sunday School and Bible Class at St. John's, 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service with Holy Communion at St. John's, 10:30 a.m.

GREETERS: May - Leticia Harms. June - Randy Harms.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: May 22 – Charles Cordes and Randy Meyer.
June 5 - Randy Meyer and Marvin Dieckman.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Matthew Kurz; members and loved ones in nursing homes or restricted to their homes, including Wilbert Meyer, Marge Burdick, LaRuth Vajen, Helen Harms. If any other members are sick or shut-in, please let the elders or the pastor know. Thank you.

ACOLYTES: May 22—Destiny Kestner; May 29—Grant Louiselle; June 5—Morgan Mummert; June 12—Brooklyn Cross; June 19—Jenna Harms; June 26—Tyler Hickman.

“THE PURPOSE of the Cole Camp Regional Ministry is to find and create opportunities for members of Holy Cross, Mt. Hulda, St. John's and Trinity Lutheran Churches to partner in sharing the love of Christ.”—this is our Mission Statement. A Cole Camp Regional Ministry Meeting is held at Trinity each month on the 4th Thursday, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Our next meeting will be this Thursday evening, May 26th - anyone can join in and share ideas! Please come—we'd love to have you! Also, please take the time to visit the CCRM website at <http://colecampregionalministry.org>

ALTAR FLOWERS: May 22—Eileen Brandes; May 29—Evelyn Brandes; June 5—Carolyn Dieckman; June 12—Brenda Fischer; June 19—Ellen Goosen; June 26—Jesse Hagen.

FINANCIAL STANDINGS: 2016 monthly budgeted expenses \$10,615.00
April offerings \$ 8,599.00
April deficit \$ 2,016.00

TLC PRE-SCHOOL is currently taking applications for enrollment in their 2 day and 3 day programs. For children who will be three years old before 8/1/2016, we offer a 2 day program which is in session from 8 AM until 11 AM on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For children who will be four years old by 8/1/2016, we offer a 3 day program which is in session from 8 AM until 11:30 AM on Monday-Wednesday-Friday. Please contact the Trinity Lutheran Church office at 668-2364 for more information or for an enrollment packet. Enroll early because space is limited! We would love to be part of your child's first school experience.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! Smoked Pork Drive-thru/Dine-in Supper: A smoked pork supper will be held at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, JJ Highway, Cole Camp, on Saturday, June 20 from 4:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Proceeds will benefit children's ministry projects. You can drive-thru: order right from your car and take your meal home or to the workers in the fields, etc... Or you can dine-in: eat in the basement buffet style. All drive-thru orders are **adult portion/price** and include pork, baked beans, corn & homemade bread; choose from plain or posh mashed potatoes, coleslaw, or applesauce, and a variety of pie. Advance tickets are \$8 and are available at the Cole Camp Pharmacy and the main bank at the 4-way: or by contacting [660-287-5728](tel:660-287-5728). Adult tickets will be \$9 day of dinner; children ages 5-12 can dine-in for \$5.

IT IS V.B.S. TIME AGAIN! VBS is July 17-22 from 6:00-8:30 each night. VBS is for kids 3 years old to the 6th grade. The theme this year is that of a rock concert and the Bible Studies follow the 10 commandments. Our VBS has been a very successful program that is a meaningful experience for the kids as well as the adult helpers. We will be needing a lot of help to keep our VBS going. We will have several stations including Bible Study, games, snacks, songs, and crafts. We will need adult leaders for the individual stations as well as group leaders. If you can help every night, or only one night, we have a job for you! Many people have thought that they are not qualified to help with VBS, but I can tell you that the only skill required is a willing attitude. So, I would encourage anyone who is willing to help serve the young people of our churches in this unique way! We will be having several planning meetings over the course of the next few months. If you can help, please contact Brian MacLean at [660-287-2885](tel:660-287-2885) and be a part of something special!

2016 L.W.M.L. MISSOURI DISTRICT CONVENTION will be held June 3 – 5, 2016 at the Osage Center in Cape Girardeau, MO. The theme for this convention will be “God's Love Spans the Centuries,” based on Matthew 28:20b: “And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”



Today's Service
Divine Service Setting Four
on page 203

Hymn of Invocation: 795
“Voices Raised to You We Offer”

Introit
(Printed on the back of the bulletin)

The Hymn of the Day: 802
“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

The Readings:
Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31
Acts 2:14a, 22-36
John 8:48-59

The Sermon:
Theme: “Confess the Mystery of God”
Text: Proverbs 8:22-23

Distribution Hymn: 798
“The God of Abraham Praise”

Closing Hymn: 923
“Almighty Father, Bless the Word”