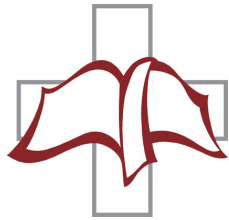


Old Testament Reading Genesis 18:1–10a

¹The LORD appeared to [Abraham] by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth ³and said, “O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, ⁵while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” ⁶And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, “Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes.” ⁷And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. ⁸Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

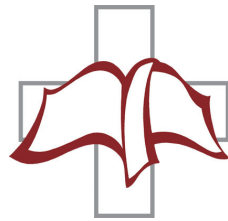
⁹They said to him, “Where is Sarah your wife?” And he said, “She is in the tent.” ¹⁰The LORD said, “I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him.



The Epistle Colossians 1:21–29

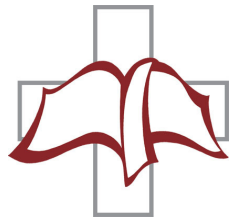
²¹You, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, ²³if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

²⁴Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ’s afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, ²⁵of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. ²⁹For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.



Holy Gospel Luke 10:38–42

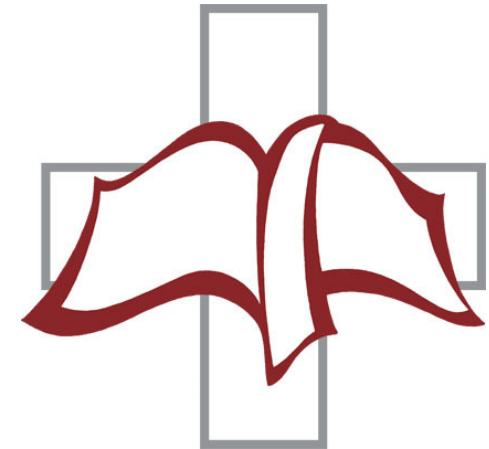
³⁸Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. ³⁹And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet and listened to his teaching. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me.” ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, “Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, ⁴²but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her.”



HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH Cole Camp, Missouri

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WELCOME! We, the members of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, worshipping here this morning, are honored to have you with us, and hope that your being here will prove helpful to your spiritual life. Please come and worship with us again.

WE WILL BE CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER during our worship service next Sunday. Please fill out a communion 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 LAST WEEK:

Worship Service: 94; Visitors: 1; No Bible Class – Voters' Mtg held; Sun School: 10.

HOLY CROSS CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of July 17 – July 24

TODAY: CCRM Vacation Bible School Registration, 5:30 at Trinity; VBS begins at 6PM
Couples' Club Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

MON.: Quarterly Newsletter Deadline, Call or send to Karen by 12:00 noon
CCRM Vacation Bible School at Trinity, 6:00 p.m.

MON-FRI: P.I.E. Float Work at LSA, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

TUES.: CCRM Vacation Bible School at Trinity, 6:00 p.m.

WED.: CCRM Vacation Bible School at Trinity, 6:00 p.m.

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
CCRM Vacation Bible School at Trinity, 6:00 p.m.

FRI.: VBS Closing Program, 6:00 p.m.

SAT.: Saturday Evening Worship at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.

NEXT SUN.: Worship Service with Holy Communion 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.
Madagascar Mission Opportunity at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.

GREETERS: July - Eileen Brandes; August - Scott Brandes.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: July 24 – 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: July 17—Morgan Mummert; July 24—Brooklyn Cross; July 31—Jenna Harms; Aug 7—Tyler Hickman; Aug 14—Destiny Kestner; Aug 21—Grant Louiselle.

ALTAR FLOWERS: July 17—Elsie Harms; July 24—Lavera Harms; July 31—CCRM Mission Festival at Trinity; August 7—Sharon Harms; August 14—Marilyn Heimsoth; August 21—Ruby Heimsoth; August 28—Gayla Hickman; Sept. 4—Florine Hobein.

POOL PARTY! The Holy Cross Board of Education is sponsoring a pool party for all Holy Cross children on Monday July 25th from 6 to 8 p.m.. You may each bring two guests! This event is being funded by the proceeds from the drive thru dinner.

P.I.E. WILL BE WORKING ON THEIR FLOAT during VBS every night this week. Please stop by! We are working in the downstairs LSA classroom. Even if you've never worked on a float before, we can still use your help!

VBS STARTS TONIGHT! Registration starts tonight at 5:30 in the narthex of Trinity and the program begins at 6:00. VBS will be from 6:00- 8:30 Sunday through Thursday. The closing program will be at 6:00 on Friday. We have a great experience in store for any child 3 years old to the 6th grade. Join us for a time of Bible study, games, karaoke, crafts, and much more! If you are helping, please plan on being at the church no later than 5:00 pm. We look forward to seeing you there! VBS will be collecting school supplies this year. They will be distributed to kids in Benton County who cannot afford to purchase their own. Any donations can be dropped off in the narthex of Trinity anytime this week. Please consider helping out the kids in our area!

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 or call 660-668-2425 (please leave message) by TOMORROW, July 18th. Thanks for your help!

OUR MISSION FESTIVAL, sponsored by the Cole Camp Regional Ministry is being planned for Sunday, July 31. It will be a joint worship service of the four Regional Ministry churches to be held at Trinity in Cole Camp, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Our focus will be on the work of Lutheran Bible Translators. Leading the morning worship service will be Rev. Richard Rudowske, LBT Director International Program Ministries. A potluck brunch will follow the service in the church basement, which will then be followed by a LBT presentation by Dr. Mike Rodewald. Please bring ONE brunch or breakfast dish to share. Invite your friends and plan to learn about the exciting mission work of Lutheran Bible Translators at Trinity on July 31st!

MISSION OPPORTUNITY! Rev. Jeffrey Kuddes will make a presentation about the mission opportunity in Madagascar next Sunday evening, July 24, at 6:30 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church. Pr. Kuddes has accepted a call to be the first LCMS Missionary to that country. He will talk about the needs of the people there and the work that he will be involved in. Come and hear about this mission opportunity.

REMINDER! Undies Sunday, sponsored by the Ministerial Alliance is July 24 AND July 31st. Please bring new socks and/or underwear for pre-school to high school students for the Church Alliance Back-to-School Clothing Sale on Aug. 6 at St. Paul's, Cole Camp. Many area families utilize this clothing sale to supplement the clothing needs for their children. Look for the donation receptacle for your donations here at church, or at Trinity at our Mission Festival on the 31st or contact Vicki Miller for more details. Thank you!!

CELEBRATE THE 500TH ANNIVERSARY of the Reformation in 2017 by joining Missouri District President, Dr. Lee Hagan and 1st Vice-President Rev. Bill Marler on a tour of Germany and Czech Republic. The 11-day tour will visit all of the major Luther sites such as Wittenberg, Eisleben, Erfurt and the Wartburg and Coburg Castles, as well as the cities of Berlin, Prague, Leipzig, and Dresden. The tour includes 9 nights of first class hotel accommodations (with private bath), air-conditioned motor coach, professional tour manager, a dinner cruise on the Elbe River as well as five dinners, one lunch and breakfast daily. For more information go to www.luthertours.com or call 1-866-777-1517 or email President Hagan at lee.hagan@mo.lcms.org Come join us as we explore our Lutheran Heritage and celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation!

Today's Service

Matins

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Hymn of Invocation: 909

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

PSALM 27

The Hymn of the Day: 536

“One Thing's Needful”

The Readings:

Genesis 18:1-14
Colossians 1:21-29
Luke 18:38-42

The Sermon:

Theme: “Be Holy & Perfect”
Text: Colossians 1:21-23

Closing Hymn: 528

“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”