Introit for The Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

I lift up my eves to the hills.

From where does my help come?

My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

The LORD is your keeper;

the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and 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. Heaven and earth will pass away,

but my words will not pass away.

Old Testament Reading - Malachi 4:1-6

1 "For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. 2But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. 3And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

4"Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

5"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. 6And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction."

The Epistle 2 Thessalonians 3:6–13

6Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. 7For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, 8nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. 9It was not

because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. 10For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. 11For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. 12Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

13As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good 13But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. 14To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. 15So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter.

16Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, 17comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

Holy Gospel Luke 21:15-28

15for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. 16You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. 17You will be hated by all for my name's sake. 18But not a hair of your head will perish. 19By your endurance you will gain your lives.

20"But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. 21Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, 22for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. 23Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. 24They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

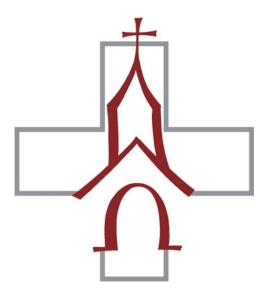
25"And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, 26people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 27And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. 28Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

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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 is mighty and everlasting and sure, and so we come together in thanksgiving and joy.

THOSE USING THE MEANS OF GRACE LAST WEEK:

Worship Service: 102; Holy Communion: 71; Visitors: 7; Adult Bible Class: 10; Sunday School: 17

HOLY CROSS CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK of November 13 to November 20

TODAY: CCRM Men's Club Chili and Soup Dinner 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Trinity CCRM Junior Youth Gathering at Trinity, 6:30 p.m.

WED.: LSA Mid-week Chapel Service, 8:05 a.m. at Trinity (ALL are invited!)

PIE Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at LSA

CCRM Christmas Cantata Practice at Trinity's balcony, 7:00 p.m.

THUR.: Men's Bible Study at Classic, 7AM

Women's Bible Study at Trinity, 9:30 a.m.

SAT.: Mt. Hulda's Cookie Booth at Christbaumfest, at LSA Gvm. 9AM-4PM

Saturday Evening Worship Service 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 at St. John's, 10:30 a.m. Couples' Club Meeting at Holy Cross

GREETERS: November – Randy Harms.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Nov. 27 – Charles Cordes and Randy Meyer Dec. 4 – Randy Meyer and Marvin Dieckman

ACOLYTES: Nov. 13—Grant Louiselle; Nov. 20—Morgan Mummert; Nov. 27— Brooklyn Cross; Dec. 4—Jenna Harms; Dec. 11—Tyler Hickman; Dec. 18—Destiny Kestner: Dec. 24—Grant Louiselle.

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.

THE HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE is as follows:

**Wednesday, November 23—CCRM Thanksgiving Eve service, 7PM at Holy Cross;

Thursday, November 24—CCRM Thanksgiving Day service, 9AM at Trinity;

*Wednesday evenings, November 30th, December 7th, December 14th, Mid-week Advent Services 7PM at Trinity:

Saturday, December 24—Joint Dual Parish Sunday School Christmas Eve Program, 7PM at Holy Cross: and

Sunday, December 25—Dual Parish Joint Christmas Day Holy Communion Service, 9AM at St. John's.

OUR ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE for the Cole Camp Food Pantry is sponsored by the Cole Camp Regional Ministry. Please plan to bring your non-perishable food items to our Thanksgiving Eve or Thanksgiving Day Worship Services. Some suggested items include canned fruits and vegetables, flour and sugar in small bags, soups, rice, mac & cheese, paper products, pancake mix and syrup.

COME. LET US SING to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation. Let us come to him with thanksgiving. Let us sing psalms of praise to him. Ps 95 1-2 It's time to lift our voices and make a joyful noise! Calling all singers, Cantata practice is Wednesday evening 7:00 pm at Trinity. We will be performing Fantasia Noel and all voices are needed! Come join us and be part of a great Christmas Event. Under

the direction of Barbara Schnakenberg, Amanda Poindexter and Sam Cole. Performance will be after Dec. 25th. Date to be announced.

HOLY CROSS AND ST. JOHN'S CHRISTMAS EVE PROGRAM: We would like to get a number of children participating in the Christmas Eve Program as soon as possible. There is a Facebook page that has been created to hopefully assist all parents keeping in touch on this: Holy Cross & St John's Christmas Eve Program 2016. Please let Sandra Osburn (660-221-4271) or Janet Mummert (660-553-7976) know by phone, text, or Facebook by Sunday, November 20th if your child plans to participate. We welcome you to invite any children that would like to join in with us. Thank you and we hope to have a great turn out this year!

CONGRATULATIONS to the following Dual Parish members who attend the Lutheran School Association for their achievements in the 1st guarter of this school year! Principal's list: 8th Grade, Dayton Oelrichs; 6th Grade, Skylar Mummert and Dylan Stoppel: 5th Grade, Emily Burdick, Gentry Dieckman, and Tyler Howard. "A" honor roll: 5th Grade, Jason Dieckman; 4th Grade, Bailey Stoppel; 3rd Grade, Colton Dieckman, Deborah Green. Perfect school attendance: Dayton Oelrichs, Skylar Mummert, Tyler Howard, Jason Dieckman, Gentry Dieckman, Emily Burdick, Bailey Stoppel, Colton Dieckman, Andrea Dieckman, Blake Abey, Aspen Meyer, Brett Burdick, Serena Bahrenburg. Perfect Church Attendance: Emily Burdick, Bailey Stoppel, Rylyn Stoppel. Way to go!!! Good job!!!

IF YOU HAVE NOT YET HEARD, by the grace of God, Trinity Lutheran Church of Clinton and Door of Hope are partnering to start a shelter for homeless, pregnant young ladies. Plans are to house 2 ladies (ages 16-24) with a house mom in a home on Rogers street in Clinton. One of the things the Lord put on our hearts early on, was to start a timeline of how God has moved with this home. if you'd like you can view that here: https://edu.hstry.co/timeline/the-lord-gave-us-a-home. The home is a blank slate and in need of basic furnishings so we decided to throw a House Shower on November 20th! The shower will be at 2, you are also invited to a free turkey lunch at 1 pm. This is a home for pregnant, homeless, young women. It is planned to be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, Clinton, to furnish the house and to provide info on the project. There is a registry at Wal-Mart.com - Search: Emily Stocking, List title: Well of Hope. Also appreciated: cleaning, paper, and hygiene supplies; visa gift cards.

HOME-MADE CHILI AND SOUP DINNER, sponsored by Trinity Men's Club is being held TODAY, in the Trinity Fellowship Hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There will be a free will donation.

LASAGNA DINNER or Spaghetti, with salad, garlic bread, dessert and drink is being held today by the Seniors of North Benton County at the Cole Camp Senior Center (Lion's Building) TODAY. Serving is from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and there will be a free-will donation taken. Thank you for your support!

Today's Service

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Hymn of Invocation: 948 "All Glory Be to God Alone"

The Introit

(Printed on the back of the bulletin)

The Readings:

Malachi 4:1-6 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Luke 21:15-28

The Hymn of the Day: 515 "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"

The Sermon

Text: Luke 19:11-26 Theme: "The Most Special Gifts"

> Closing Hymn: 919 "Abide. O Dearest Jesus"