

**Cannon River & Cross of Christ**  
**Lutheran Churches ELCA**  
*Faithful Through Generations*  
**January 7, 2018**

PRELUDE

Organist: Jeff Rudi

Welcome and Announcements

**\*OPENING HYMN**

*“Dearest Jesus, We Are Here”*

**ELW #443**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**ELW p. 94**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.** (*Silence for reflection and self-examination*)

P: Most merciful God, **C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

**GREETING & KYRIE**

**ELW p. 98**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the wellbeing of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **C: Amen, amen.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE** **“This Is The Feast”** **ELW p.101**

*Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

1. **Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God.  
Power and riches, wisdom and strength,  
and honor and blessing and glory are his.** *Refrain*

2. **Sing with all the people of God,  
and join in the hymn of all creation:  
Blessing and honor, glory and might  
be to God and the Lamb forever.** *Amen. Refrain*

3. **For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.  
Alleluia.** *Refrain*

PRAYER OF THE DAY: *(Bulletin Insert)*

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

**THE FIRST READING** *(Bulletin Insert)*

**Genesis 1:1-5**

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**THE SECOND READING** *(Bulletin Insert)*

**Acts 19:1-7**

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p.102

**C: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

\***THE GOSPEL** *(Bulletin Insert)*

**Mark 1:4-11**

\***Glory to you, O Lord.**

\*The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

**Pastor Mickey Dobbins**

**\*THE APOSTLE’S CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.)**

**\*The Peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.**

## OFFERING

**\*OFFERTORY HYMN***“We Are an Offering”***ELW #692**

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.**

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

ELW p.107

**P: Let us pray. C: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**\*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

ELW p.107

**P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.**

**P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.**

**P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.**

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**\*THE PREFACE**

**\*THE SANCTUS**

**ELW p. 108**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

**\*WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**LAMB OF GOD**

**ELW p. 112**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

**COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

**HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION-CC**

**ELW #442, #455, #446**

**\*P:** God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

**\*BENEDICTION:** May God bless you and keep you. May God's face shine on you and be gracious to you. May God look on you with favor and give you peace. **C: Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**

***"Baptized in Water"***

**ELW #456**

**\*P:** Go in Peace. Serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

***(\*Please Stand)***

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Tuesday	6:30PM	Council Meeting-CC
Wednesday	7:00PM	WELCA Meeting-CC
Thursday	12-6:00PM	Blood Drive-CC
	7:00PM	Council Meeting-CR
Saturday	9:00AM	Men's Bible Study-CC
	5:30PM	Dinner & Game-CC

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### Blood Drive

The next **Red Cross Blood Drive** will be Thursday, **January 11<sup>th</sup>** from 12-6 pm. Helpers are needed to serve lunch, bring some goodies, help from 12-3 and from 3-6.

### Women's Retreat

Program: "Loving Each Other as Unique Expressions of the Face of God" Dana & Kris. The 2018 Women's Retreat will once again be held at Cedar Valley Resort in Whalen, MN, on **January 19-21**. We will have a great program, good food, wonderful fellowship, crafts, Music and other activities. Please let Julie, Tracy or Jean know if you are planning to attend or have any questions/concerns. Cost is \$125 per person. Family, friends and relatives are welcome to attend.

### Buck Hill Tubing

Join us for an afternoon of fun tubing at Buck Hill on Sunday **January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018** at 12PM. Cost is \$5/person. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board by Daheln Hall.

### Dinner and a Game

Please join us for an evening of fun playing Bunco on Saturday, **January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018** at 5:30PM. Bunco is an easy dice game for all ages to play with plenty of time to visit. Extend an invitation to neighbors or friends. It works best to have two hosts for each month to prepare the meal. Please sign up to co-host any of these tentative dates by contacting Janet Daley 388-4556.

### Cannon River Annual Meeting

Cannon River's annual meeting will be held **Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>**, immediately following worship. Please bring a treat to share for coffee fellowship.

### Kwik Trip Cards

Help support our Building Maintenance Fund by buying Kwik Trip cards. The cards can be used to purchase anything at Kwik Trip from gas, groceries and car washes to anything else they sell. Available in **\$10, \$20, \$25, \$50 and \$100**. You pay the amount of the card being purchased; the church makes 5% of the sales and another 10% for non-fuel purchases made with the cards. Contact Julie Schreifels to purchase at [hjschreif@live.com](mailto:hjschreif@live.com) or 651-388-2326. The **next order** will be put in on **Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>** and will be available during church on Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>. Thank you to those who have ordered Kwik Trip Cards.

### **Econo Foods and Family Fare Receipt Collection**

*Please* continue to save your Econo Foods receipts from the Red Wing stores and Family Fare receipts in Cannon Falls! Both Cross of Christ and Cannon River churches are collecting receipts and participating in this great mission outreach.

*When* the receipts total \$150,000; **we are currently at \$143,000!!** Then we will receive a check for \$1,000 which will go to Feed My Starving Children. We have already reached this goal one time, and are now on our second collection. It's amazing! **Shop, bring your receipt to church** and we will support children who are hungry! *Thank you,* the Mission Committee

### **Cross of Christ Pew Record Books**

Please remember to fill out the record books located in the pew every Sunday. Members only need to update contact information if there are changes. Thank you!

### **Attention Cross of Christ Lectors**

Our list of lector readers is dwindling down. Many of you read quite often already, but if you are wishing to pick up another Sunday please let Deanna in the office know. Also if any new readers would like to join the list please let Deanna know, it's nice to see someone new doing the readings. As always if a Sunday does not work out for you, please find an alternative. Thank you!!

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