

**Cannon River & Cross of Christ
Lutheran Churches ELCA
Faithful Through Generations
March 2, 2014**

PRELUDE
Welcome and Announcements

Organist: Jeff Rudi

***OPENING HYMN** *“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”* **ELW #834**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C: Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.** (*Silence for reflection and self-examination*)

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **C: Thanks be to God!**

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.**

KYRIE ELEISON (Lord, have mercy)

ELW p.184

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way. Kyrie eleison, ev'ryday. For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way. Kyrie eleison, ev'ryday. That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way. Kyrie eleison, ev'ryday. For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way. Kyrie eleison, ev'ryday. For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way. Kyrie eleison, ev'ryday.

HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW p. 187

This is the feast of vict'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of vict'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of vict'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY: (*Bulletin Insert*)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

The First Reading (*Bulletin Insert*)

Exodus 24:12-18

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

The Second Reading (*Bulletin Insert*)

2 Peter 1:16-21

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

***C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

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

Matthew 17:1-9

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

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

SERMON

Pastor Bob Berthold

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Beautiful Savior”

ELW #838

***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, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. 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 “CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART” ELW #185**

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER: God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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 God thanks and praise.

***THE PREFACE**

***HOLY**

ELW p. 190

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

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LAMB OF GOD

ELW P. 191

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, Lamb of God.

HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION-CC

ELW #671, #308, #318

***SENDING HYMN “For The Bread Which You Have Broken” ELW #494**

For the bread which you have broken, for the wine which you have poured, for the words which you have spoken, now we give you thanks O Lord. *By the promise that you love us, by your gift of peace restored, by your call to heav’n above us, hallow all our lives, O Lord. With the saints who now adore you, seated at the heavenly board, may the church still waiting for you, keep loves tie unbroken, Lord. In your service, Lord defend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward; in the world to which you send us, let your kingdom come, O Lord.*

***P:** We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake 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.**

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

POSTLUDE

*(*Please Stand)*

Apple juice and gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request during Communion at Cross of Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday	10:30AM	Bible Study-CF
	5:30PM	Soup Supper-CC
	7:00PM	Ash Wednesday Service-CC
	8:00PM	Finance Committee Meeting-CC
Saturday	9:00AM	Men's Bible Study-CC

Lent

Lenten soup suppers will begin on Ash Wednesday, March 5th at 5:30 p.m., with worship at 7:00 p.m. at Cross of Christ. The soup supper and Lenten service on March 12th will be held at Cannon River. March 19th and 26th and April 2nd and 9th will be held at Cross of Christ. In an effort to reduce waste and curb costs, please bring your own bowls, plates and silverware.

Wool Mittens and Fleece Hats Sewing Day

Cross of Christ WELCA will be hosting a sewing day on Saturday, March 8th from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. in Dahlen Hall. Please bring a scissors and a sewing machine if you have one. We will be cutting out patterns, deconstructing sweaters, and sewing hats out of fleece and wool mittens. We will have a light lunch for those staying all day. Bring a snack to share if you wish. There is a signup sheet between Dahlen Hall and the church. Any questions: call Mary Fjetland at 651-480-8110 or Millie Niebeling at 651-388-4616

Mission: St. Louis 2014

Once again we will be partnering with Living Water in Cameron, WI for a mission trip to St. Louis. We will be working on various mission projects with a church in St. Louis. Brochures with more information are available in Dahlen Hall. If you are interested in going, please contact Jeff or Rhonda Meyer at 651-385-8578 or jrjnmeyer@msn.com

WELCA Bible Study

WELCA Morning Bible Study will be Tuesday, March 11th at 9:00 a.m. at the Plaza. Harriet Jackson will be hostess. Please meet at Cross of Christ at 8:30 a.m. to carpool with Pr. Bob. Please read chapter 10.

Baskets of Promise

Please see the enclosed Baskets of Promise flyer. Each week a different item will be collected to assemble Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief.

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