

Cannon River & Cross of Christ
Lutheran Churches ELCA
Faithful Through Generations
March 3, 2019

PRELUDE

Organist: Jeff Rudi

Welcome and Announcements

***OPENING HYMN**

“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”

ELW #553

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

ELW p. 94

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

L: 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*)

L: 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.

L: 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!**

GREETING & KYRIE

ELW p. 98

L: 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.**

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

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: 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.**

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

L: 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)*

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

THE FIRST READING *(Bulletin Insert)*

Exodus 34:29-35

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

PSALM *(Bulletin Insert)*

Psalm 99

THE SECOND READING *(Bulletin Insert)*

2 Corinthians 3:12—4:2

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

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p.102

C: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

Luke 9:28-36 (37-43a)

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

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

SERMON

Deacon Todd Portinga

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, 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

L: 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

L: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

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

L: 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

***L:** 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

"On Our Way Rejoicing"

ELW #537

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

POSTLUDE

(*Please Stand)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today	After Service 11:45AM	Choir Practice-CC Confirmation-CC
Monday	7:00PM	WELCA Meeting-CC
Wednesday	5:30PM 6:15PM 7:00PM	Soup Supper-CC Finance Meeting-CC Ash Wednesday Service-CC
Saturday	9:00AM 5:30PM	Men's Bible Study-CC Bunco-CC

Lent Soup Suppers

March 6th, 2019 will be our first Wednesday of soup suppers. Supper will start at 5:30PM, with service at 7PM. Once again, in an effort to decrease waste, congregational members are asked to bring their own soup bowls and silverware. We need volunteers to sign up to host, the sheet to do so is on the bulletin board by Dahlen Hall. Thank you!!

Bunco

Join us on **Saturday March 9, 2019** at **5:30PM** to share a meal and play Bunco together. Bunco is an easy dice game for all ages to play with plenty of time to visit. Let's roll into spring with some winter fun and maybe win a prize!

WELCA Bible Study

WELCA will meet at The Plaza in Red Wing- **Tuesday March 12th**. Meet at Shirley Hanson's apartment #417. Leave Cross of Christ at 8:30 to carpool to Red Wing. Read chapter 25 on Nehemiah- pages 140-152 in Old Testament for Christians book. Todd will lead bible study. Jean Kehren is hostess.

Kwik Trip Cards

The **next order** will be put in on **Tuesday, March 12th** and will be available during church on Sunday, March 17th. Contact Julie Schreifels to purchase at hjschreif@live.com or 651-388-2326. Thank you to those who have ordered Kwik Trip Cards.

Lenten Worship & Soup Supper at Cannon River

Cannon River will be hosting the Lenten worship service and soup supper on Wednesday, **March 13th** at 5:30pm. Help is needed with serving and clean up. Please contact Ellen Hartman if you are able to help or provide food. Thank you!

Spring Salad Luncheon

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, April 6th at 11:00 am**. Paulette Hanson (Today Magazine) has agreed to be our speaker. We have some of the musical entertainment lined up and will work on the dessert and other details. Come join us and women from Cross of Christ please bring a salad for the luncheon. If you have any questions or would like to RSVP, please contact Julie Schreifels.

Annual Garage Sale

Cross of Christ will hold its annual garage sale **April 25-27th, 2019**. Start setting aside items to be donated for the sale. Both helpers are needed to set up and to work on the sale dates. Contact Lynette Hanson for more information at 651-388-7378.

Family Fare Store Receipt Collection

Please continue to save your Family Fare store receipts! Both Cross of Christ and Cannon River churches are collecting receipts and participating in this great mission outreach. Remember that only the store receipts are valid; no e-receipts.

To date, our collection totals \$53,000!!

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

March Minnesota Food Share

This March, we join food shelves, faith communities, businesses, and organizations across Minnesota in acting to end hunger and food insecurity. Please bring nonperishable items for our local food shelf and/or monetary donations throughout March. Together, we can ensure #FoodForAllMN.

Taking Action Against Hunger in Minnesota

- Over 3,000,000 visits are made to Minnesota food shelves each year.
- 1 in 8 children in Minnesota struggle with hunger.
- More than 500,000 Minnesotans experience food insecurity.
- Local food shelves can often stretch your \$1 into enough food for 2 or more meals.
- The 2018 March Campaign raised more than 5.5 million pounds of food and \$8.1 million for Minnesota food shelves.
- 100% of financial contributions to Minnesota FoodShare via the March Campaign go to participating food shelves.

When you pick the food of your land at gathering time, do not pick all the way to the corners of your field. And do not gather the food left on the ground there after you have picked. Do not gather what is left among your vines, or gather the grapes that have fallen. Leave them for those in need and for the stranger. – Leviticus 19:9-10

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