

**Cannon River & Cross of Christ
Lutheran Churches ELCA
Faithful Through Generations
April 16, 2017**

PRELUDE

Organist: Jeff Rudi

Welcome and Announcements

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain! Alleluia!

C: He gives us new life and hope through his resurrection! Alleluia!

P: Rejoice then, even in your distress.

C: We shall be counted worthy when Christ appears.

P: God has claimed us as his own.

C: God has called us from our darkness into the light of his day.

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ has risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Christ is alive! Alleluia! **C: Amen!**

***OPENING HYMN**

“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”

ELW #367

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. 203

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.**

**1. Have mercy on us, Lord,
and hear our solemn prayer.
We come to hear your living word;
it saves us from despair.**

**3. Have mercy on us, Lord;
make sin and shame depart.
Renew us with your saving pow'r;
create in us new hearts!**

**2. Have mercy on us, Christ,
and wash away our sin.
Pour out your grace and make us whole
that new life may begin.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

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**1. Come, let us join our cheerful songs
with angels round the throne; ten
thousand thousand are their tongues,
but all their joys are one.**

**3. Jesus is worthy to receive
honor and pow'r divine;
and blessings, more than we can give,
be, Lord, forever thine.**

**2. "Worthy the Lamb that died,"
they cry, "to be exalted thus!"
"Worthy the Lamb," our lips reply,
"for he was slain for us!"**

**4. Let all creation join in one
to bless the sacred name
of God who sits upon the throne,
and to adore the Lamb.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY: (*Bulletin Insert*)

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

SPECIAL MUSIC

*"He Lives"
"Crown Him with Many Crowns"*

Adult Choir-CC
Cannon River Singers

THE FIRST READING (*Bulletin Insert*)

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

Acts 10:34-43

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Christ Arose"

Adult Choir-CC

THE SECOND READING (*Bulletin Insert*)

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

Colossians 3:1-14

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

ELW p.205

**C: Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word. Let it burn like fire within us;
speak until our hearts are stirred. Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.**

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

Matthew 28:1-10

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

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

SERMON

Pastor Robert Berthold

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

ELW #365

***NICENE CREED: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. 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

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Were You There”

Bob Wasti-CC

***OFFERTORY HYMN**

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”

ELW #186

**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.**

***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.**

***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.**

***CLOSING HYMN**

“Thine Is the Glory”

ELW #376

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

POSTLUDE

(Please Stand)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Saturday

9:00AM

Men's Bible Study-CC

11:00AM

Spring Salad Luncheon-CC

Spring Salad Luncheon

April 22, 2017 at 11:00 a.m., Lois Burnes will be presenting "Golden Memories" about the popular and enduring Little Golden Books. *Do you still have some Golden Books from your childhood or from your children? Bring them, or just share the name of your favorite little book and learn about the history of this publishing phenomenon.*

Help Wanted

Cross of Christ and Cannon River are in need of a secretary and Cross of Christ is looking for a custodian. Both positions are part-time and have flexible hours. Please see Dennis Martin, Jim Hill, Jean Kehren or a Cannon River council member if you want to apply.

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