

Cannon River & Cross of Christ
Lutheran Churches ELCA
Faithful Through Generations
July 9, 2017

PRELUDE

Organist: Jeff Rudi

Welcome and Announcements

***OPENING HYMN**

“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

ELW #756

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.**

Refrain: **Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way. Kyrie eleison, ev'ryday.**

1. 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. *Refrain*

3. 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. *Refrain*

2. 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. *Refrain*

4. 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. *Refrain*

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain: **This is the feast of vict'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.**

1. 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. *Refrain*

2. 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. *Refrain*

PRAYER OF THE DAY: (*Bulletin Insert*)

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

The First Reading (*Bulletin Insert*)

Zechariah 9:9-12

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

The Second Reading (*Bulletin Insert*)

Romans 7:15-25a

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 11:16-19, 25-30

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

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

SERMON

Pr. Robert Berthold

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me”

ELW #755

***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 “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.

***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.**

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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

***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.**

SENDING HYMN

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

ELW #545

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

POSTLUDE

(*Please Stand)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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| Today | 1:00 PM | GEV Confirmation Camp |
| Tuesday | 9:00 AM | WELCA Bible Study-CC |
| Saturday | 9:00AM | Men's Bible Study-CC |

Good Earth Village-Confirmation Camp

The following youth are going to Good Earth Village for Confirmation Camp. Pastor Bob will be leaving with the group from Cross of Christ Church at **1:00 pm** today.

Kailyn Peterson, Kristina Lincoln, Corden Jaenke,
Emma Dinndorf, Morgen Intihar and Kayla Klippen

Ice Cream Sundae Sunday

Cannon River and Cross of Christ members are invited to have ice cream and strawberries after worship at Cannon River on **Sunday, July 16th**. All are welcome to our new version of the Strawberry Social. Come for worship and stay for ice cream. Proceeds raised will help send students to confirmation camp at Good Earth Village

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 or 651-388-2326. The **next order** will be put in on **Tuesday**, and **July 11th** and will be available during church on Sunday, July 16th. Thank you to those who have ordered Kwik Trip Cards.

Worship & Music

The Worship & Music Committee will recognize the people going on the Colorado Mission trip on **Sunday July 23rd** during church. There will be a pie and ice cream social in Dahlen Hall before church starting at 9:30AM. Offering taken during the coffee hour will be donated to the mission trip attendees.

Church Scholarship Program

Do you know of a Cross of Christ member that plans to go a Christian college this fall? Is so, tell them about our church scholarship, which has an application deadline of **August 1, 2017**. Please ask our Church secretary, Deanna, for the 1- page application.

Most Christian colleges offer a matching grant to a Church scholarship. We have been doing this with Gustavus Adolphus for decades now, but other Christian colleges have asked us to do a more formal program, and the Council approved that at our last meeting.

Taste of Welch

Anyone wishing to donate an item for our 2017 Taste of Welch or would like to sell or purchase raffle tickets please contact Millie Niebling at 651-388-4616 or Kelly Mittelsteadt at 651-764-9889. Raffle items must be in by **August 13th**, since the tickets will be printed by the end of August for September distribution. Taste of Welch will be held on **October 14, 2017**

Econo Food Receipt Collection

Please continue to save your Econo Foods Receipts from the Red Wing and Cannon Falls stores! Both Cross of Christ and Cannon River churches are collecting receipts.

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 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

South Sudan Relief

Right now, more than seven million people need humanitarian assistance in South Sudan. The ELCA is poised to respond to this need. Through our long-standing relationships in the region, we are prepared to accompany communities through food distribution, water and sanitation, and psychosocial support. Your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response are critical to implementing this work. Together, we can provide life-saving aid to our brothers and sisters in South Sudan when they need it most.

The Mission Committee is responding to the need in South Sudan by sending \$300 to Lutheran Disaster Response. We hope that you will consider making a donation. Help us bring hope and healing to our neighbors in need. Gifts designated for South Sudan Relief will be used in full (100%) to assist our response.

Make checks payable to Cross of Christ Lutheran Church.

Write "South Sudan Relief" on your check's memo line.

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