

Cannon River & Cross of Christ
Lutheran Churches ELCA
Faithful Through Generations
August 11, 2013

PRELUDE
Welcome and Announcements

Organist: Jeff Rudi

* **OPENING HYMN** *“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”* **ELW #632**

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**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (*Silence for reflection and self-examination*).

P: Most merciful God, **C: we confess that we are in bondage 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 you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ God gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen

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 **ELW p. 147**

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 well-being 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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE **ELW p. 149**

P: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

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

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY (*Bulletin Insert*)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

The First Reading (*Bulletin Insert*) **Genesis 15:1-6**

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

The Second Reading (*Bulletin Insert*) **Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16**

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

* **C: Alleluia, alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.** **ELW p. 151**

***THE GOSPEL** (*Bulletin Insert*) **Luke 12:32-40**

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

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

SERMON Pastor Bob Berthold

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Have No Fear, Little Flock”

ELW #764

***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: P:** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

(Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**)

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

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

OFFERING

***OFFERTORY HYMN**

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER: P:** Merciful Father, **C:** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. **Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW p. 152

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. 153

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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**

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LAMB OF GOD

ELW p. 154

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.

P: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life, and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love for each other, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

***BENEDICTION: P:** Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

***SENDING HYMN “Thank the Lord and Sing His Praise”**

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev’ryone what he has done. Let ev’ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

***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

Tuesday	9:00AM	WELCA Bible Study-CC
	5:15PM	Twins Game-leave from CC
	6:30PM	Learning & Youth Committee Mtg-CC
Wednesday	1:00PM	4-6 Grade Kayaking-Welch
	5:00PM	Work Night-CC Cemetery
	6:30PM	Friends in Faith
	7:00PM	WELCA Mtg-CC
Saturday	9:00AM	Men's Bible Study-CC

Twins Game

All members of Cannon River and Cross of Christ are invited to attend the Twins game on Tuesday, August 13th. The bus will leave from Cross of Christ at 5:15 p.m. The cost is \$27 which includes the bus ride and parking, your ticket, and a hot dog and a pop. There are about twenty tickets remaining. Students pay half price. Please call Duke Bjorklund right away to reserve your spot at 651-301-1888.

Taste of Welch

Cross of Christ WELCA will be hosting their annual Taste of Welch on the 12th of October. If you would like to make a donation for the **raffle** please contact Kelley Mittelsteadt at cell 651-764-9889 or e-mail mittelsteadtk@yahoo.com. All donations are needed by August 16th.

WELCA Bible Study

WELCA Bible Study will be held Tuesday, August 13th at 9:00 a.m. in Dahlen Hall. Janelle Lahr will be the hostess. Anyone needing a ride from Red Wing should call Millie Niebeling at 651-388-4616. Please read chapter five in "The Parables of Jesus Through Peasant Eyes." Pastor Bob will be leading us. Questions for the chapter were handed out at the last meeting; contact Millie Niebeling to get a copy. Everyone is welcome to come. Bring a friend!

Kayaking Events

The 4th, 5th and 6th graders are invited to go kayaking on the Cannon River on Wednesday, August 14th at 1:00 p.m. We will meet at the Welch Mill Canoeing and Tubing. The cost is \$10. It takes about 3 hours to kayak the 12 miles. The 7th, 8th, and 9th grade students are invited to go kayaking Thursday, August 20th at 1:00 p.m., also meeting in Welch and the cost is \$10.

Valleyfair

All members are invited to go to Valleyfair on Tuesday, August 27th. The van will leave from the Cross of Christ parking lot at 9:00 a.m. and return at 6:00 p.m. All ages are welcome. The cost is \$15.

WELCA Evening Bible Study

Attention all ladies—the first meeting of the New WELCA Evening Bible Study will be Thursday, August 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in Dahlen Hall. A signup sheet for the New WELCA Evening Bible Study is located at the back of church. Millie Niebeling has details on this, so speak with her or call her at 651-388-4616. We are looking forward to getting this new group started. Pastor Bob will be leading the study.

Cross of Christ Garage Sale

When: Friday, August 23rd from noon until 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 24th from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Item Drop Off: August 19th-22nd from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. or by appointment

Set-Up: Friday, August 23rd from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

Fundraising Opportunity-Serve Lunch

Please contact Lynette Hanson at 651-388-7378 or lynronfarmer@yahoo.com or Julie Schreifels at 651-388-2326 or hjschreif@live.com with questions or to help.

Habitat for Humanity

Mark your calendars for the Habitat for Humanity work day in Cannon Falls. Cannon River and Cross of Christ members are invited to help with the Habitat House on Saturday, August 31st. More details to follow.

Welch Community Picnic

The 2nd Annual Welch Community Picnic will be held at Cross of Christ on Saturday, September 7th, starting at 4:00 p.m. Please bring a potluck dish to share, as well as your own lawn chair. There will be music, games for all ages and a bounce house for the kids. If you are willing to showcase your antique tractor, please contact Rebecca Peterson at 651-388-7112, or contact Janet Daley for more info at 651-388-4556.

Kwik Trip Cards

Help support the Cross of Christ Building Maintenance Fund by buying Kwik Trip scrip cards. The cards can be used to purchase anything at Kwik Trip and are available in \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50 and \$100; the church makes 10% of the sales. Contact Julie Schreifels to purchase at hjschreif@live.com or 651-388-2326. The next order will be put in on **Tuesday, August 13th** and will be available during church on Sunday, August 18th.

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