

**Cannon River & Cross of Christ**  
**Lutheran Churches ELCA**  
*Faithful Through Generations*  
**September 18, 2016**

PRELUDE

Organist: Jeff Rudi

Welcome and Announcements

**\*OPENING HYMN**

*“Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”*

**ELW #527**

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**

**ELW p.204**

1. Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.  
Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:  
we exult you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

2. Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above;  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.

3. Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call;  
Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:  
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright.  
For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY: *(Bulletin Insert)*

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

THE FIRST READING *(Bulletin Insert)*

**Amos 8:4-7**

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

THE SECOND READING *(Bulletin Insert)*

**1 Timothy 2:1-7**

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

### **\*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*)

**Luke 16:1-13**

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

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

**SERMON**

**Pastor Bob Berthold**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

***“Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace”***

**ELW #716**

**\*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 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.**

**\*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**

***“O Christ, Our Hope”***

**ELW #604**

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

**POSTLUDE**

**(\* Please Stand)**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Today	11:30AM	Anniversary Celebration-CC
	11:30AM	Contemporary Service Practice-CC
	6:00PM	Confirmation Orientation-CC
Saturday	9:00AM	Men's Bible Study-CC

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### Third Grade Bibles

Third grade students receiving Bibles today are: Gabriel Dorham, Isabelle Hanson, Camden Peterson and Max Tilderquist. Congratulations!

### Anniversary Celebration

Ken and Joan Slingsby are celebrating their 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary today and invite you to celebrate with them after church with pie and ice cream in Dahlen Hall.

### Confirmation

Confirmation Orientation will be today at 6:00 p.m. at Cross of Christ for all 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students from both Cannon River and Cross of Christ and their parents. Regular classes will start on September 25<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you!

### Lefse-Change of Plan

For Cross of Christ WELCA members who were planning to make lefse at church on Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, we will not be doing the activity in the church basement due to the remodeling project (kitchen needs a thorough cleaning). Individuals or groups should still plan to make lefse but at home at your convenience.

### Cannon River September Birthday Celebration

Cake will be served after worship at Cannon River in celebration of all September birthdays on Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome!

### Community Supper

The Community Supper will be held on September 25<sup>th</sup> at the Methodist Church in Red Wing. Cross of Christ will be serving this dinner. Set up will start at 3:45, dinner will be at 5:00 and clean up after the meal. If you would be able to help serve please contact Joan Slingsby at 507-263-3715 or jslin@frontiernet.net

### Van Trip for Lutefisk

On Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> we are planning a van trip to a Lutefisk Dinner at Vang Lutheran Church near Kenyon. Pastor Bob has his trusty "VANMOBILE" all ready to go, so let's fill it up with LUTEFISK LOVERS! We will leave Cross of Christ at 11:30 a.m. and then make a stop at Cannon River Church if necessary. We have reservations for eating so there will be no waiting; but LOTZA fun! Menu is lutefisk, meatballs, lefse, fruit soup, Scandinavian bakings, and other side dishes. Cost is \$ 17.00 (remember there is no tax or tip added to that). If you need a ride to church, we can help with that. Call Janice Hinsch 651-388-8740 or sign up on the bulletin board by Dahlen Hall.

### Taste of Welch Raffle Tickets

Raffle packets will be available today and will need to be turned in by Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. There is a display in the back of the church.

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