

**Cannon River & Cross of Christ
Lutheran Churches ELCA
Faithful Through Generations
October 30, 2016**

PRELUDE

Organist: Jeff Rudi

Welcome and Announcements

***OPENING HYMN**

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

ELW #504

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)*

Jeremiah 31:31-34

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

THE SECOND READING *(Bulletin Insert)*

Romans 3:19-28

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*)

John 8:31-36

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

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

SERMON

Pastor Bob Berthold

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

ELW #517

***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**

“Built on a Rock”

ELW #652

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

POSTLUDE

(* Please Stand)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today	Noon 7:00PM	Harvest Festival-CR Confirmation-CC
Wednesday	7:00PM 7:00PM	Finance Meeting-CC WELCA Meeting-CC
Saturday	9:00AM	Men's Bible Study-CC

Lutheran Disaster Response-Hurricane Matthew

Cross of Christ will be collecting funds throughout November for Lutheran Disaster Response. Please make your check payable to Cross of Christ and write "Hurricane Matthew" in the memo.

Thanksgiving Food Collection-Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who donated food items during the month of October for the Thanksgiving food collection. All the items donated will go to Hastings Family Service to support families in need.

WELCA Bible Study

WELCA Bible Study will be held Tuesday, November 8th at 9:00 a.m. in Dahlen Hall. Please read Chapter 4 on Joseph in our new book, The Old Testament for Christians, pages 26-32. Harriet Jackson will be hostess and Pastor Bob will lead Bible study.

Blood Drive

Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at Cross of Christ on Wednesday, November 9th from noon-6pm. Please visit redcrossblood.org for more information.

Harvest Festival

Cross of Christ will have its Harvest Festival on Sunday, November 13th, immediately following worship. Please bring a dish for the meal. Use the special envelope for your harvest offering.

Kwik Trip Cards

Help support our Building Maintenance Fund by buying Kwik Trip scrip cards. Contact Julie Schreifels to purchase at hjschreif@live.com or 651-388-2326. The next order will be put in on Tuesday, November 15th and will be available during church on Sunday, November 20th. Thank you!

Thanksgiving Eve Service

Thanksgiving Eve Worship will be held at Cross of Christ on Wednesday, November 23rd at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

FMSC Mobile Packing Event November 19th at Cannon Falls High School

Hope you can help us out this year by volunteering and donating. Please send donations to: Val Dockett, CCIC/FMSC, 206 Ridgecrest Drive, Cannon Falls, MN 55009. Please make checks payable to CCIC. If you have any questions, please contact Lori Jackson. ltjackson0785@gmail.com

Time & Talent Sheet

All Cross of Christ members, youth on up, should fill out a Time & Talent sheet. They are located at the back of the church. Please return them to the offering plate. Thank you.

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