

**Cannon River & Cross of Christ
Lutheran Churches ELCA
Faithful Through Generations
November 17, 2013**

PRELUDE
Welcome and Announcements

Organist: Jeff Rudi

***OPENING HYMN** *"We Praise You, O God"* **ELW #870**

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.**

KYRIE ELEISON (Lord, have mercy) **ELW p.184**
Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way. Kyrie eleison, ev'ryday. *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.* Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way. Kyrie eleison, ev'ryday. *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.* Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way. Kyrie eleison, ev'ryday. *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.* Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way. Kyrie eleison, ev'ryday. *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.* Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way. Kyrie eleison, ev'ryday.

GLORY TO GOD **ELW p. 185**
Glory to God in the highest, the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Glory to God in the highest, the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. Glory to God in the highest, the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Amen. Amen. Glory to God in the highest, the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Glory to God in the highest, the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY: (*Bulletin Insert*)

ANTHEM

Sunday School Children-CC

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

The First Reading (*Bulletin Insert*)

Malachi 5:1-2a

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

The Second Reading (*Bulletin Insert*)

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

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*)

Luke 21:5-19

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

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

SERMON

Pastor Bob Berthold

HYMN OF THE DAY

“O God of Love, O God of Peace”

ELW #749

***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 (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 #185**

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. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER: Merciful God, everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

***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**

“Soon and Very Soon”

ELW #439

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

POSTLUDE

*(*Please Stand)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday	7:00PM	Contemporary Service Practice-CC
Wednesday	10:30AM	Bible Study-Stonehouse Apts.
	6:30PM	Adult Choir-CC
	7:00PM	Confirmation
	7:30PM	Friends in Faith
Thursday	7:00PM	Evening WELCA Bible Study-CC
Saturday	9:00AM	Men's Bible Study-CC

Church Christmas Smorgasbord

The Cross of Christ annual Christmas dinner will be held on Sunday, December 8th, in Dahlen Hall. Please arrive at 5:30 p.m. and bring a dish to pass; beverages and tableware will be provided. Lynette Hanson will once again prepare our lutefisk! Please let Sue Hill or Jackie Martin know if you have a talent that you're willing to share during the program after dinner. Both children and adults are encouraged to share a talent!

WELCA Winter Retreat

WELCA winter retreat is scheduled for Jan 24-26 at Cedar Valley Resort near Lanesboro. The invitation is open to all Cross of Christ and Cannon River ladies and friends as well. Cost for the 2 nights and 3 days is \$125.00. Early registration: pay in full by November 30th and receive a \$10.00 discount. Please contact Kris Portinga or Mary Fjetland to register or if you have questions.

Thank You Cross of Christ Members

THANK YOU! Harvest Festival was a great time of fellowship and sharing of God's blessings. Your amazing response during Harvest Festival has put our budget in the black and back on track. Thank you everyone for all that you do for our church community here at Cross of Christ.

Pie Auction

You are invited to bid on homemade Thanksgiving pies on November 24th during coffee fellowship at Cross of Christ. All money raised will be used to send Tracy Harth to the Woman of the ELCA Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina. Pies are needed for this event. Please call Tracy Harth at 651-212-6045 if you can bring a pie or two. Thank you!

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