

**Cannon River & Cross of Christ
Lutheran Churches ELCA
Faithful Through Generations
November 17, 2019**

PRELUDE

Organist: Jeff Rudi

Welcome and Announcements

***OPENING HYMN**

"Earth and All Stars!"

ELW #731

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

ELW p. 94

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **C: Amen.**

L: Come, let us acknowledge our sin and seek God's face, so that we may live.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

L: Holy God,

C: We confess that we have turned away from you and from our neighbors, and in toward ourselves. We have sought security in possessions and the place of power in relationships. In your mercy, forgive our sinfulness and cleanse us from guilt and shame. Guide us on the path of freedom that is your gift to us in Christ our Lord. Amen.

L: Hear for yourselves: there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. In the waters of baptism grace abounds for you and for all. God turns to you in love and puts away every sin, every wrong turn, for the sake of Jesus, the one whom God sent to save the world.

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.**

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)*

Malachi 4:1-2a

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

PSALM *(Bulletin Insert)*

Psalm 98

THE SECOND READING *(Bulletin Insert)*

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

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

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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**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 21:5-19

***The Holy Gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.**

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

SERMON

Deacon Todd Portinga

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand"

ELW #441

***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.**

***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 “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” ELW #547**

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

POSTLUDE

(Please Stand)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today	After Service	Contemporary Practice-CC
Wednesday	7:00PM	Confirmation-CC
Saturday	9:00AM	Men's Bible Study-CC

Cannon Falls Feed My Starving Children Mobile Pack Event

Event will be on **Saturday, November 23**, at Cannon Falls High School. **We are still looking for over volunteers to pack meals and raise money.** Packing shift times will be at 8:00 and 10:30. Donations can be collected at church just write FMSC in the memo line.

Once again, Storm Creek is partnering with this event.

Shop for a cause and check out their sales in **Hastings (Nov 29/30)**. They will donate a portion of your sale back to FMSC - Cannon Falls. To find more information on their warehouse sale, check out <https://stormcreek.com/warehouse-sale/>

Music Jam Session

Please join us as we have another Music Jam Session on **Sunday November 24th** at 11:45am at Cross of Christ. All are welcome to join!!

That's My Pan Sale

Personalized pans and many other items. Great for bringing items to events. They also make fantastic presents: weddings, showers, birthdays, other special events and of course Christmas!! *Take orders from friends and family* either using the Fundraiser Order Form or Better have them go to **our** web site www.thatsmypan.biz/WELCA2019

We will send in a bulk order on Dec. 1

Poinsettia Plants

Order forms for Christmas poinsettia plants are located on the table at the back of the church at Cross of Christ. Order forms can be placed in the offering plate or by mail and need to be received by **Sunday December 1st**. You may pick up your plants after the Christmas Eve worship service.

Christmas Smorgasbord Come and Celebrate the Season!

Our annual Christmas Smorgasbord will be held on **Sunday, December 8th**, in Dahlen Hall. Please arrive at 5:30pm and bring a dish to pass; beverages and tableware will be provided. Lynette and Ron Hanson will once again prepare the Lutefisk!!

After dinner, we will celebrate the season! We'd like to share your many talents during a program after dinner. **Please let Sue or Jackie know if you have a talent that you're willing to share – children and adults!** We'd love to hear from you!

We'll also play a game and you have a chance to win a prize!

So, bring the whole family, invite a friend, and enjoy a wonderful evening of holiday celebration.

Christmas Shoebox Project for Hope Coalition

Helping families in crisis rebuild their lives.

Please join our Sunday School children in remembering others this Christmas!

The mission committee is sponsoring our annual Christmas Shoebox Project for Hope Coalition.

Hope Coalition provides assistance to individuals and families who are homeless or struggling with housing. This holiday season we are going to help people in Red Wing find a little happiness on Christmas.

Please help them by filling a Christmas shoebox and reminding them that there are people who care for them. **(The greatest need this year is for men.)**

There is a display in the back of the church with forms that you can use. The instructions are on it!! Feel free to take a plastic container for your shoebox, or you can cover a shoebox with wrapping paper, if you wish.

Please return your shoebox and place it in the back of the church by December 8th!

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