

**Cannon River & Cross of Christ**  
**Lutheran Churches ELCA**  
*Faithful Through Generations*  
**February 19, 2017**

PRELUDE

Organist: Jeff Rudi

Welcome and Announcements

**\*OPENING HYMN**

*“Built on a Rock”*

**ELW #652**

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

**Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18**

**THE SECOND READING** *(Bulletin Insert)*  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23**

## **\*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)*

**Matthew 5:38-48**

**\*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”-CR  
“Borning Cry”-CC*

**ELW #716  
ELW #732**

**HOLY BAPTISM-CC**

**\*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.**

**(Cross of Christ) C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share. Join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God’s creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

**\*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**

*“Be Thou My Vision”*

**ELW #793**

**\*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	Vocal Practice-CC
	7:00PM	Confirmation-CC
Tuesday	7:00PM	Learning & Youth Meeting-CC
Friday	5:30PM	Dinner and a Game-CC
Saturday	9:00AM	Men's Bible Study-CC

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### Holy Baptism

Today we welcome Paul Tony Backes and Lucas James Pflaum to Cross of Christ through Holy Baptism. Paul's parents are Julie and Tony Backes and his sponsors are Kim Riley and Josh Bueckler. Lucas' parents are Donald and Sarah Pflaum and his sponsors are Mark & Jessica Pflaum and Sonja Cunningham. Congratulations!

### Dinner and a Game

There was a lot of dice shaking going on as 16 people battled for "head table" on Bunco Game Night. There were a total of 24 in attendance. Some came and enjoyed the meal and headed off to other commitments. For everyone it was a great time of fellowship. We hope to have even more people join us in February. The game is easy for all ages to play. The next meal and Bunco game night is Friday February 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. We will meet in Dahlen Hall. Hope to see you there.

### Lenten Soup Supper

Please sign up to host a Lenten Soup Supper. The sheet is on the Dahlen Hall bulletin board. Ash Wednesday is March 1<sup>st</sup>. Please bring your own bowls and tableware to reduce cost and waste.

### Stewardship Meeting

Cross of Christ Stewardship Committee will meet after worship on Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>.

### Accessibility Committee

Cross of Christ is forming an Accessibility Committee. Please contact Julie Schreifels to join.

### Fundraiser

Pizza, pizza, pizza... Order Heggies pizzas from the Women of the ELCA. We will be taking orders from Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> – March 5<sup>th</sup>. We will be taking orders before and after church, also during coffee fellowship. We are raising money to help all the women and girls who decide to attend the Tenth Triennial Gathering of the Women of the ELCA. It will be held in Minneapolis July 13-17.

### Cross of Christ Survey

Thank you to those who have already filled out the survey. If you have not already done so, please fill one out and give it to a council member. All member input is valuable and needed. Thank you.

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