

Cannon River and Cross of Christ Lutheran Churches ELCA
Faithful Through Generations
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Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Awesome God

Our God is an awesome God
He reigns from heaven above
With wisdom pow'r and love
Our God is an awesome God
(Repeat)
(Instrumental)
(Repeat-2x)

Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Savior
Lord there is none like You
All of my days, I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort, my Shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath, all that I am
Never cease to worship You

Shout to the Lord all the earth let us sing
Power and majesty, praise to the King
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in You
(Repeat all)

Let the Peace of God Reign

Verse 1

Father of life draw me closer
Lord, my heart is set on You
Let me run the race of time
With Your life enfolding mine
And let the peace of God
Let it reign

Verse 2

Oh Holy Spirit, You're my comfort
Strengthen me hold my head up high
And I'll stand upon Your truth
Bringing glory unto You
And let the peace of God
Let it reign

Chorus

Oh Lord I hunger, for more of You
Rise up within me
Let me know Your truth
Oh Holy Spirit, saturate my soul
And let the life of God
Fill me now
Let Your healing power
Breathe life and make me whole
And let the peace of God
Let it reign
(Repeat Verse 1)

Word

First Reading **Isaiah 4 4:6-8**
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading **Romans 8:12-25**
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God
Fall afresh on me
Spirit of the living God
Fall afresh on me
Fill me anew
Fill me anew
Spirit of the Lord
Fall afresh on me
(Repeat)

Gospel **Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43**
Glory to you, O Lord.

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

Sermon Pr. Bob Berthold

Thy Word

Chorus

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

When I feel afraid
And I think I've lost my way
Still You're there right beside me
Nothing will I fear
As long as You are near
Please be near me to the end
(Chorus)

I will not forget
Your love for me and yet
My heart forever is wandering
Jesus be my guide
And hold me to Your side
I will love You to the end
(Chorus)

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.**

Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering

“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.

Sending

The 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.

Blessing

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. **Amen**

Shine Jesus Shine

ELW #671

Chorus

Shine, Jesus shine, fill this land with
the Father's glory

Blaze, Spirit blaze, set our hearts on fire
Flow, river flow, flood the nations
with grace and mercy

Send forth Your Word, Lord,
and let there be light

Lord, the light of Your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness shining
Jesus, Light of the world shine upon us
Set us free by the truth You now bring us
Shine on me, shine on me
(Chorus)

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
So our faces display Your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story
Shine on me, shine on me
(Chorus)

Dismissal

Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday	Morning	Colorado Mission Trip-CC
Saturday	9:00AM	Men's Bible Study-CC

Colorado Mission Trip

Before service today the Worship and Music Committee recognized the following who are leaving for the Colorado Mission trip on Monday July 24th.

Jeff, Rhonda and Nick Meyer,
Kailyn Peterson, Kelsey and Kayleen Dinndorf and Zachary Becker

Church Scholarship Program

Do you know of a Cross of Christ member that plans to go a Christian college this fall? Is so, tell them about our church scholarship, which has an application deadline of **August 1, 2017**. Please ask our Church secretary, Deanna, for the 1- page application.

Most Christian colleges offer a matching grant to a Church scholarship. We have been doing this with Gustavus Adolphus for decades now, but other Christian colleges have asked us to do a more formal program, and the Council approved that at our last meeting.

Taste of Welch

Anyone wishing to donate an item for our 2017 Taste of Welch or would like to sell or purchase raffle tickets please contact Millie Niebling at 651-388-4616 or Kelly Mittelsteadt at 651-764-9889. Raffle items must be in by **August 13th**, since the tickets will be printed by the end of August for September distribution. Taste of Welch will be held on **October 14, 2017**

Econo Food Receipt Collection

Please continue to save your Econo Foods Receipts from the Red Wing and Cannon Falls stores! Both Cross of Christ and Cannon River churches are collecting receipts. *When* the receipts total \$150,000, we will receive a check for \$1,000 which will go to Feed My Starving Children. We have already reached this goal one time, and are now on our second collection. It's amazing! **Shop, bring your receipt to church** and we will support children who are hungry!

Thank you, the Mission Committee.

South Sudan Relief

Right now, more than seven million people need humanitarian assistance in South Sudan. The ELCA is poised to respond to this need. Through our long-standing relationships in the region, we are prepared to accompany communities through food distribution, water and sanitation, and psychosocial support. Your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response are critical to implementing this work. Together, we can provide life-saving aid to our brothers and sisters in South Sudan when they need it most. The Mission Committee is responding to the need in South Sudan by sending \$300 to Lutheran Disaster Response. We hope that you will consider making a donation.

Help us bring hope and healing to our neighbors in need.

Gifts designated for *South Sudan Relief* will be used in full (100%) to assist our response.

Make checks payable to: Cross of Christ Lutheran Church.

Write "South Sudan Relief" on your check's memo line

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