

**Cannon River & Cross of Christ**  
**Lutheran Churches ELCA**  
*Faithful Through Generations*  
**April 2, 2017**

PRELUDE

Organist: Jeff Rudi

Welcome and Announcements

**\*OPENING HYMN**

*“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”*

**ELW #886**

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. 98

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.**

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the wellbeing of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **C: Amen, amen.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE**

**“Glory to God”**

**ELW p.99**

**Glory to God in 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.  
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.  
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.**

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY: *(Bulletin Insert)*

P: The Lord be with you. C: **And also with you.**

**THE FIRST READING** *(Announcement Insert)*

**Ezekiel 37:1-14**

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

**THE SECOND READING** *(Announcement Insert)*

**Romans 8:6-11**

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

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p.102

**C: Let your steadfast love come to us, O Lord. Save us as you promised; we will trust your word.**

\*THE GOSPEL

**John 11:1-45**

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

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

SERMON

**Pastor Robert Berthold**

HYMN OF THE DAY

**“What Wondrous Love Is This”**

**ELW #666**

## 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**

*"We Are an Offering"*

**ELW #692**

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.**

#### **\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

ELW p.107

**P: Let us pray. C: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

#### **\*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

ELW p.107

**P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.**

**P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.**

**P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.**

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

\*THE PREFACE

**\*THE SANCTUS**

**ELW p. 108**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

\*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

\*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.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

**LAMB OF GOD**

**ELW p. 112**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION-CC

**ELW #732, #767, #764**

\*P: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **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.**

SENDING HYMN

*"Abide with Me"*

**ELW #629**

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

POSTLUDE

*(\*Please Stand)*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Today	7:00PM	Confirmation-CC
Tuesday	6:30PM	WELCA Meeting-CC
	7:00PM	Accessibility Committee-CC
Wednesday	5:30PM	Soup Supper-CC
	7:00PM	Lenten Service-CC
	7:30PM	Finance Meeting-CC
Saturday	9:00AM	Men's Bible Study-CC

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### **Holy Baptism**

Today Cross of Christ welcomes into membership through Holy Baptism Paisley Grace Gehloff. Paisley's parents are Wayne and Deanna Gehloff and her sponsors are David Gehloff and Cody Muenser. Congratulations!

### **Thank you!**

**Our thanks to you . . .** the Mission Committee would like to thank everyone for your generous donations of food to support the collection for Minnesota Food Share. We appreciate the help of the Sunday school youth who helped box up the donations. These food items and our Lenten offerings will be sent to the food shelf in Red Wing. This is a significant and direct way of caring for families in our community. One more way we can share the love of God and help those in need. **Thank you for helping to squash hunger!!**

### **Palm Sunday, Holy Week, Easter**

Confirmation students will be serving breakfast on Palm Sunday after worship. All are welcome! Maundy Thursday will be held at Cannon River at 7:00 p.m. on April 13<sup>th</sup> and Good Friday will be at Cross of Christ at 7:00 p.m. Sunrise Service will be at 7:00 a.m. at Cross of Christ on Easter, with Easter worship at Cannon River at 9:00 a.m. and Cross of Christ at 10:30 a.m. on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **WELCA Bible Study**

WELCA Bible Study will be held on April 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at Cross of Christ. Read Chapter 8 on Samson in The Old Testament for Christians, pgs. 55-59. Harriet Jackson will be hostess and Pastor Bob will lead Bible study.

### **Kwik Trip Cards**

Help support our Building Maintenance Fund by buying Kwik Trip scrip cards. The cards can be used to purchase anything at Kwik Trip from gas, groceries and car washes to anything else they sell. Available in \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50 and \$100. You pay the amount of the card being purchased; the church makes 5% of the sales and another 10% for non-fuel purchases made with the cards. Contact Julie Schreifels to purchase at [hjschreif@live.com](mailto:hjschreif@live.com) or 651-388-2326. The next order will be put in on Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> and will be available during church on Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to those who have ordered Kwik Trip Cards.

### **Adult Choir Practice**

Adult Choir will practice on Palm Sunday to get ready for the Easter worship service.

### **Joint Council Meeting**

A joint council meeting will be held at Cross of Christ on Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

## **Buck-a-Chick**

During Lent the Sunday School students will be selling paper “chicks” for a buck. The Buck-a-Chick fundraiser will provide a chick per buck raised for families in impoverished areas of the world. They will be purchased through the ELCA Good Gifts program. ELCA World Hunger responds to the root causes of hunger with work in 60 countries around the world.

## **Spring Salad Luncheon**

April 22, 2017 11:00 am. Lois Burnes will be presenting "Golden Memories" about the popular and enduring Little Golden Books. *Do you still have some Golden Books from your childhood or from your children? Bring them, or just share the name of your favorite little book and learn about the history of this publishing phenomenon.*

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