

Cannon River and Cross of Christ Lutheran Churches ELCA  
*Faithful Through Generations*  
March 23, 2014

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**Gathering**

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**Welcome and Announcements**

***Holy Is The Lord***

We stand and lift up our hands  
For the joy of the Lord is our strength  
We bow down and worship Him now  
How great, how awesome is He

**Chorus**  
And together we sing  
Ev'ryone sing

Holy is the Lord God Almighty  
The earth is filled with His glory  
Holy is the Lord God Almighty  
The earth is filled with His glory  
The earth is filled with His glory  
*(Repeat all)*

It is rising up all around  
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown  
It's rising up all around  
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown  
*(Chorus)*

***My Life Is In You***

**Chorus**  
My life is in You, Lord  
My strength is in You, Lord  
My hope is in You, Lord  
In You, it's in You  
My life is in You, Lord  
My strength is in You, Lord  
My hope is in You, Lord  
In You, it's in You  
*(Repeat Chorus)*

**Verse**  
I will praise You  
With all of my life  
I will praise You  
With all of my strength  
With all of my life  
With all of my strength  
All of my hope is in You  
*(Chorus – 2x)*

***Amazing Grace***  
***(My Chains Are Gone)***

Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now I'm found  
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

**Chorus**  
My chains are gone, I've been set free  
My God, my Savior, has ransomed me  
And like a flood, His mercy reigns  
Unending love, amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures  
*(Chorus – 2x)*

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow  
The sun forbear to shine  
But God who called me here below  
Will be forever mine  
Will be forever mine  
You are forever mine

**Prayer of the Day**

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**Children's Message**

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**Word**

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**First Reading**

**Exodus 17:1-7**

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

**Second Reading**

**Romans 5:1-11**

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,<sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.<sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance,<sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,<sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup>But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup>Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup>For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup>But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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

## **Breathe**

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This is the air I breathe  
This is the air I breathe  
Your holy presence living in me  
This is my daily bread  
This is my daily bread  
Your very word spoken to me

And I I'm desperate for You  
And I I'm lost without You  
(Repeat)

And I I'm desperate for You  
And I I'm lost without You  
I'm lost without You  
I'm lost without You  
This is the air I breathe  
This is the air I breathe

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

John 4:5-42

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

## **Sermon**

Pastor Bob Berthold

## **All Who Are Thirsty**

All who are thirsty  
All who are weak  
Come to the fountain  
Dip your heart in the stream of life  
Let the pain and the sorrow  
Be washed away  
In the waves of His mercy  
As deep cries out to deep  
We sing

## **Chorus**

Come, Lord Jesus, come  
Come, Lord Jesus, come  
Come, Lord Jesus, come  
Come, Lord Jesus, come  
(Repeat All)

Holy Spirit, come  
Holy Spirit, come  
Holy Spirit, come  
Holy Spirit, come

## **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.**

## **Peace**

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

## **Offering**

**Special Music** Friends in Faith  
**"Let Us Adore"**

## **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.

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## **Sending**

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## **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**

## **Your Grace Is Enough**

Great is Your faithfulness, O God of Jacob  
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart  
You lead me by still waters into mercy  
Where nothing can keep us apart

## **Chorus**

So remember Your people  
Remember Your children  
Remember Your promise, O God  
For Your grace is enough  
Yeah, Your grace is enough  
Yeah, Your grace is enough  
Yeah, Your grace is enough for me

Great is Your love and justice,  
God of Jacob  
You use the weak to lead the strong  
You lead us in the song of heaven's victory  
And all Your people sing along  
(Chorus – 2x)

## **Dismissal**

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

## **Postlude**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Tuesday	6:30PM	Friends in Faith
Wednesday	10:30AM	Bible Study-CF
	5:30PM	Soup Supper-CC
	7:00PM	Lenten Service-CC
Saturday	9:00AM	Men's Bible Study-CC

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### Lent

Lenten soup supper and worship service will be held at Cross of Christ on Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. Serving will begin at 5:30 p.m. with worship at 7:00 p.m. Please bring your own tableware to deduce costs and curb waste. Thank you!

### Wool Mittens and Fleece Hat Sewing Day

WELCA ladies are invited to another Wool Mittens and Fleece Hat Day sewing session on Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Come for a half a day or a whole day. A signup sheet is posted between the church and Dahlen Hall. Bring a sewing machine or just come to help cut out patterns. Everyone please bring a scissors. We will have an extra sewing machine available. A light lunch will be served; bring a snack if you wish. Any questions call Mary Fjetland at 651-480-8110 or Millie Niebeling at 651-388-4616.

### Cross of Christ Baskets of Promise

Please see the enclosed Baskets of Promise flyer. Each week a different item will be collected to assemble Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief.

### March is Food Share Month

Cannon River is collecting donations for the Cannon Falls Food Shelf during the month of March. Please consider giving a monetary donation or a gift of non-perishable food.

### Learning & Youth Committee

The Learning & Youth Committee will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **IMPORTANT REMINDER!! Directing your Thrivent Choice Dollars**

If you are a Thrivent member and purchase products from them, you are given "Choice Dollars" to direct throughout the year. You may direct that those choice dollars to Cross of Christ Church or Cannon River by visiting [www.thrivent.com](http://www.thrivent.com) or calling them at 800-847-4836. Choice Dollars can be directed once they have been designated to you in your account and this can be as often as monthly. The easiest and optimal way to ensure that all of your designated Choice Dollars are directed to your chosen organization is to direct them once between 1/1 and 3/31 of the current year for the whole preceding year's accrual. Designated dollars that have accrued for your account in 2013 can still be directed until **3/31/14**. If you have a question regarding this, please don't hesitate to ask a council or finance committee member. Choice Dollars from Thrivent Financial have earned Cross of Christ over \$15,800. Cannon River has also benefited greatly from Thrivent Choice Dollars. Thank you!

### Mission: St. Louis 2014

Once again we will be partnering with Living Water in Cameron, WI for a mission trip to St. Louis. We will be working on various mission projects with a church in St. Louis. Brochures with more information are available in Dahlen Hall. If you are interested in going, please contact Jeff or Rhonda Meyer at 651-385-8578 or [jrjnmeyer@msn.com](mailto:jrjnmeyer@msn.com)

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