

**Cannon River & Cross of Christ
Lutheran Churches ELCA
Faithful Through Generations
September 8, 2013**

PRELUDE
Welcome and Announcements

Organist: Jeff Rudi

* **OPENING HYMN** *“Son of God, Eternal Savior”* **ELW #655**

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**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (*Silence for reflection and self-examination*).

P: Most merciful God, **C: we confess that we are in bondage 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 you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ God gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen

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.**

KYRIE **ELW p. 147**

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 well-being 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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE **ELW p. 149**

P: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

C: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY (*Bulletin Insert*)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

The First Reading (*Bulletin Insert*) **Deuteronomy 30:15-20**

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

The Second Reading (*Bulletin Insert*) **Philemon 1-21**

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

* **C: Alleluia, alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.** **ELW p. 151**

***THE GOSPEL** (*Bulletin Insert*) **Luke 14:25-33**

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

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

SERMON Pastor Bob Berthold

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”

ELW #802

***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: P:** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

(Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**)

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

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

OFFERING

***OFFERTORY HYMN**

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER: P:** Merciful Father, **C:** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. **Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW p. 152

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 God thanks and praise.**

THE PREFACE

HOLY

ELW p. 153

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

LAMB OF GOD

ELW p. 154

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.

P: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life, and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love for each other, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

***BENEDICTION: P:** Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

***SENDING HYMN “Thank the Lord and Sing His Praise”**

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev’ryone what he has done. Let ev’ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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

POSTLUDE

*(*Please Stand)*

Apple juice and gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request during Communion at Cross of Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday	9:00AM	WELCA Bible Study-CC
Wednesday	6:30PM	Friends in Faith
Thursday	7:00PM	Joint Council Meeting-CR
Saturday	8:00AM	Habitat for Humanity
	9:00AM	Men's Bible Study-CC
	9:00AM	Mitten/Craft Day-CC
Next Sunday	3:00PM	Loaves & Fishes in Red Wing-CC

Habitat for Humanity-Second Chance

Cannon River and Cross of Christ are schedule to work on the Habitat for Humanity house in Cannon Falls on Saturday, September 14th. If you missed the last work day, here is your chance to come and help. Please meet at the job site in Cannon Falls at 600 St. Clair Street at 8:00 a.m. Call Ellen Hartman at 507-263-7205 if you would like to help with the lunch.

Loaves and Fishes

Please mark your calendars for September 15th. Cross of Christ is scheduled to serve supper for Loaves and Fishes in Red Wing. Serving starts at 5:00 p.m. and help is needed starting at 3:00 p.m. If anyone can help, please call Joan Slingsby at 507-263-3715.

Third Grade Bibles and Confirmation

Third graders will receive their Bibles on September 15th during worship. Also, confirmation will resume Wednesday, September 18th. Parents and students should meet for confirmation orientation at 7:00 p.m. at Cross of Christ on the 18th.

Kwik Trip Cards

Help support the Cross of Christ 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 10% of the sales. Contact Julie Schreifels to purchase at hjschreif@live.com or 651-388-2326. The **next order** will be put in on **Tuesday, September 10th** and will be available during church on Sunday, September 15th. Thank you to those who have ordered Kwik Trip Cards.

Taste of Welch Volunteers Needed

The Taste of Welch will be on October 12th from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. We need help with setup, serving, selling, cleanup and selling on Sunday after church. Donations of crafts and baked goods are needed. Donations for lunch of soup (hamburger and chicken wild rice), sloppy joes, buns, chips, and deserts are also needed. Please contact Julie Schreifels or any of the committee members to let them know how you will be able to help. Thank you for helping with our biggest fundraiser!!

WELCA Morning Bible Study

WELCA morning Bible Study group will meet Tuesday, September 10th at Cross of Christ in Dahlen Hall. Sonja Munson will be hostess. Please read Chapter 6 in "The Parables of Jesus." Anyone needing a ride from Red Wing should let Millie Niebeling know at 651-388-4616. Bring a friend or just come if you haven't attended before. Pastor Bob will be leading the bible study.

Mitten/Craft Day

Mitten/Craft Day will be Saturday, September 14th, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00p.m. Bring a scissors and a sewing machine. We are going to cut out and sew more mittens for Taste of Welch. Please bring your own unfinished craft items to work on for the Taste of Welch as well. A light lunch will be served. A signup sheet is located on big bulletin board by Pastor's office.

WELCA Evening Bible Study

WELCA Evening Bible Study will meet on Thursday, September 19th in Dahlen Hall at 7:00 p.m. All women from Cross of Christ and Cannon River are invited to attend this monthly Bible study. Read chapter 6 of "The Parables of Jesus" for this month. Mary Fjetland will be hostess and Pastor Bob will be leading the bible study.

Taste of Welch Craft and Sewing Day

You are invited Saturday, September 28th at 1:00 p.m. to July Meyer's home at 24491 County 7 Blvd. Come sort through projects, patterns and fabrics to finish or make for the Taste sale. Bring a sewing machine or other tools and spend the afternoon. We will have a fun afternoon, hope you can come! If not, call to make another time that works for you. Judy's is the first place on the right, after Cross of Christ on #7. Call 651-388-4847.

Science Museum Trip

Pastor Bob will be taking the youth, 4th grade and older, to the Science Museum on Sunday, September 22nd to see the exhibit on the ancient Maya. The van will leave from the Cross of Christ parking lot at noon and return approximately at 6:00 p.m. Cost \$10.

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