

Cannon River & Cross of Christ
Lutheran Churches ELCA
Faithful Through Generations
June 14, 2015

PRELUDE
Welcome and Announcements

Organist: Jeff Rudi

***OPENING HYMN** *“Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”* **ELW #527**

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.**

Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer. We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair.

Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin. Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.

Have mercy on us, Lord; make sin and shame depart. Renew us with your saving power; create in us new hearts!

HYMN OF PRAISE **ELW p.204**

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth. Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth: we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

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.

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!

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY *(Bulletin Insert)*

ANTHEM *“My Anchor Holds”* CC Special Music

THE FIRST READING *(Bulletin Insert)* **Ezekiel 17:22-24**

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

THE SECOND READING *(Bulletin Insert)* **2 Corinthians 5:6-10 [11-13] 14-17**

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

***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** **Mark 4:26-34**

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

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

SERMON Pastor Bob Berthold

HYMN OF THE DAY

“We Walk by Faith”

ELW #635

***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.)**

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

OFFERING

***OFFERTORY HYMN “We Give Thee But Thine Own” ELW #686**

We give thee but thine own, what e're the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee. May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive, and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first fruits give. The captive to release, to God the lost to bring, to teach the way of life and peace: it is a Christ like thing. And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be: what e're we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

***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.206**

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. 207

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. 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.

LAMB OF GOD

ELW p. 208

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away: eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

***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.**

***SENDING HYMN “Rise, Shine, You People!” ELW #665**

***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.**

***Go in Peace. Serve the Lord. 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

Monday	8:30PM	Adult Softball-RW
Tuesday	9:00AM	WELCA Bible Study-CC
Saturday	9:00AM	Men's Bible Study-CC

Contemporary Service Vocal Practice

Contemporary Service Vocal Practice will be Monday, June 22nd at 7:00 p.m. at Cross of Christ. We will be practicing all songs for the three summer months. We invite and encourage everyone to attend.

Cross of Christ Garage Sale

Cleaning things out? Save it for the Church Garage Sale! **Friday, June 26th from noon-3:00 p.m. and Saturday June 27th from 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.** Proceeds will go toward the Steeple Repair Project. Nick Mittelsteadt will be serving/selling lunch items to help fund his trip to the National Youth Gathering in Detroit. Contact Lynette Hanson lynronfarmer@yahoo.com or Julie Schreifels hjschreif@live.com if you would like to help out.

Cannon River Ice Cream Social

The Ice Cream Social will be Sunday, June 28th from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Worship that day will be at 10:00 a.m. (Regular worship schedule at Cross of Christ.) Please start gathering garage sale items and bake sale items are needed as well. We will plan on cleaning strawberries on Saturday, June 27 at 10:00 a.m. Thanks!

Learning & Youth Committee Meeting

The Learning & Youth Committee will be meeting on Monday, June 29th at 7:00 p.m. at Cross of Christ. Please plan on attending this meeting to prepare for VBS in August and Sunday School in the fall.

Missionary Visit

SAVE the date . . . July 19th! We are excited about a visit from **Karen Anderson** on the 19th during the worship service at Cross of Christ. Karen is the missionary who we support through our missionary sponsorship for her work in Chile. Also, that day we will have a **sendoff for our Mission group** who will be heading to Cincinnati, OH on July 25th.

Flooding Victims Need Your Help

Lutheran Disaster Response is working to assist those who are most affected by flooding in the Southwest. We know that this will be a long road to recovery, and we will be there to assist those who have been affected through every phase of this disaster recovery process. Your gifts are needed to bring help and hope to those in need. Please make your check payable to Cross of Christ, and in the memo, write "US Spring Storm." Our donations will be sent to Lutheran Disaster Response to help these people in need.

Steeple Repair

Work on the upper steeple restoration is scheduled to begin June 15th and will last several weeks. Ron Hanson and Bob Luhman are the designated Cross of Christ members to lead any decision-making for any issues that come up during work (Thanks Bob and Ron!). For safety reasons, please avoid the area while there are workmen up above.

Join in the Parade

Cross of Christ will create a walking float for the Vasa Parade on the 4th of July, 2015. Everyone is encouraged to participate and wear a red, white or blue shirt to show our patriotic colors. Our church group will gather at the parade starting point at 15235 Norelius Rd. at the Vasa Community Center parking lot at 2:30 p.m. The parade begins at 3:00 p.m. The parade travels approximately ¼ of a mile and then returns on the same route. Invite your friends; anyone can be in our float!

Blood Drive

The Red Cross will be sponsoring a blood drive on Wednesday, June 17th from 1-7 p.m. and Thursday, June 18th from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. at First Lutheran Church in Red Wing. For appointments, please call 1-800- RED CROSS.

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