

# Cross of Christ and Cannon River Lutheran Churches

*Faithful Through Generations*

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Though we sometimes doubt and often resist God's desire to protect and save us, our God persists. In holy baptism, God's people have been called and gathered into a God-initiated relationship that will endure. Lent provides the church with a time and a tradition in which to seek God's face again. Lent provides another occasion to behold the God of our salvation in the face of the Blessed One who "comes in the name of the Lord."

PRELUDE

Organist: Jeff Rudi

Welcome and Announcements

OPENING HYMN

*"Healer of Our Every Ill"*

ELW #612

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

L: In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage. **C: Amen.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**L: Holy One, we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.**

L: Beloved in Christ, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God shall be saved. In Jesus, God comes to you again and again and gathers you under wings of love. In Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven. God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love. **C: Amen.**

## **GREETING**

L: 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.**

*Refrain: Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way. Kyrie eleison, ev'ryday.*

1. For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain*

3. For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain*

2. That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain*

4. For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain*

L: The Lord be with you. And also with you.

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

God of the covenant, in the mystery of the cross you promise everlasting life to the world. Gather all peoples into your arms, and shelter us with your mercy, that we may rejoice in the life we share in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ANTHEM

*"This Little Light of Mine"*

Sunday School-CC

**THE FIRST READING** *(Bulletin Insert)*

**Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18**

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

**THE SECOND READING** *(Bulletin Insert)*

**Philippians 3:17--4:1**

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

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

\* The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus,] “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” <sup>32</sup>He said to them, “Go and tell that fox for me, ‘Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. <sup>33</sup>Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.’ <sup>34</sup>Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! <sup>35</sup>See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, ‘Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.’ ”

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

**SERMON**

*"Imitate Me"*

Pastor Dan Nordin

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling”*

**ELW#608**

**\*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.)**

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

**\*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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

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

**L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**\*THE PREFACE**

## **\*THE SANCTUS**

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

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**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, Lamb of God.**

## **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

**\*L: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.****

## **\*BENEDICTION**

## **SENDING HYMN**

***“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”***

**ELW#733**

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

## **POSTLUDE**

***(\*Please Stand)***