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"Home of Friend-Ship Preschool"

May 11 & 12, 2024

5:30 PM & 9:00 AM



7th Sunday of Easter

INTRODUCTION

The gospel for Easter's seventh Sunday is always taken from the long prayer Jesus prays for his followers in John's gospel on the night before his death, and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This oneness is not mere doctrinal agreement or institutional unity, but mutual abiding, interpenetrating life, mutual love, and joy. This oneness is the work of the Spirit whom we have received but also await. Come, Holy Spirit!

ANNOUNCEMENTS - Assisting Minister – please use your own words

- Welcome to Worship – we are glad you are here! Please sign and pass the fellowship pads to your neighbor
- The Announcements and Ministry Opportunities are on the insert in your bulletin. Feel free to take this home. For those of you joining us online, you can find these at the bottom of the worship plan.
- Please welcome Carol Davies who is here to speak about our Piecemakers Quilting Group

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

GATHERING SONG *I Know That My Redeemer Lives (vs. 1,2,8)* **Hymn 619**

1 I know that my Redeemer lives!
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
he lives, my ever-living head!

2 He lives triumphant from the grave;
he lives eternally to save;
he lives exalted, throned above;
he lives to rule his church in love.

8 He lives, all glory to his name!
He lives, my Savior, still the same;
what joy this blest assurance gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the wellspring of grace,
our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Most merciful God,
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.

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.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy 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.**

READING: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶“Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” ²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.” ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

UNCLE ZIPPY AND FRIENDS WITH MONA

GOSPEL: John 17:6-19

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus prayed:] ⁶“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not

belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON: “Jesus is Still Praying” - Pastor Paul J Erdal, Interim Pastor

SONG OF THE DAY

Song of God, Eternal Savior

Hymn 655

1 Son of God, eternal Savior,
source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
hallows all our human race,
you our head, who, throned in glory,
for your own will ever plead:
fill us with your love and pity,
heal our wrong, and help our need.

2 As you, Lord, have lived for others,
so may we for others live.
Freely have your gifts been granted;
freely may your servants give.
Yours the gold and yours the silver,
yours the wealth of land and sea;
we but stewards of your bounty
held in solemn trust will be.

3 Come, O Christ, and reign among us,
King of love and Prince of peace;
hush the storm of strife and passion,
bid its cruel discords cease.
By your patient years of toiling,
by your silent hours of pain,
quench our fevered thirst of pleasure,
stem our selfish greed of gain.

4 Son of God, eternal Savior,
source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
hallows all our human race:
by your praying, by your willing
that your people should be one,
grant, oh, grant our hope's fruition:
here on earth your will be done.

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 to the dead.
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 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 INTERCESSION

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

You sanctify us in your truth; your word is truth. Send your church out into the world to spread your love and joy. Embolden all bishops, pastors, and deacons to be faithful ministers of your word and sacraments. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Your creation groans under the strain of pollution. Preserve melting glaciers and dwindling forests. Bolster those who work for climate justice and help us all to be good and faithful stewards of your creation. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Your people seek wisdom, understanding, and peace. Guide all those who govern and inspire them to work on behalf of the most vulnerable in our midst. Keep safe first responders, those serving in the military, and those whose duty it is to protect others. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Your children need your loving care. Protect them from all harm. Comfort those with any illness, (especially Jordie, Darold, Glenyce, Carolyn, Nell, David, and Roxanna). Support those who grieve and bring solace to those near death. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Your Spirit lives within us here. Inspire the work of this congregation and unite us as one. Bless all the mothers in our midst, console those for whom this day is difficult, and gather us all under the care of your loving wings. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Your saints dwell with you in light. Keep us ever thankful for those who have gone before us in faith, especially Ralph Rauert. Inspire us by their witness. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERING RESPONSE *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing (v. 4)* **Hymn 385**

Your name we bless, O risen Lord,
and sing today with one accord,
the life laid down, the life restored:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

OFFERING PRAYER

Risen One,
you call us to believe and bear fruit.
May the gifts that we offer here
be signs of your abiding love.
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,
through Jesus Christ, our true vine.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places

give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY
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.

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.
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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

We have gluten-free wafers available, please just let me know and I will get that for you.
There is white grape juice available in the center of the communion tray. Red wine is in the outer rows of the tray. Please cross your arms over your chest if you wish to only receive a blessing. For those who are unable to come forward, please let an usher know and we will bring communion to you.
Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
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.**

COMMUNION SONG

Here is Bread

Hymn 483

1 Here is bread here is wine
Christ is with us He is with us
Break the bread drink the wine
Christ is with us here

Chorus

In this bread there is healing
In this cup there's life forever
In this moment by the spirit
Christ is with us here

2 Here is grace here is peace
Christ is with us He is with us
Know His grace find His peace
Feast on Jesus here **Chorus**

3 Here we are joined in one
Christ is with us He is with us
We'll proclaim 'til He comes
Jesus crucified **Chorus**

COMMUNION SONG

As the Deer

CCLI 1431

1 As the deer panteth for the water
So my soul longeth after Thee
You alone are my heart's desire

And I long to worship Thee

Chorus

You alone are my strength my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee

2 You're my friend and You are my brother
Even though You are a King
I love You more than any other
So much more than anything **Chorus**

3 I want You more than gold or silver
Only You can satisfy
You alone are the real joy-giver
And the apple of my eye **Chorus**

COMMUNION SONG

O Jesus, I Have Promised (vs. 1,4)

Hymn 810

1 O Jesus, I have promised
to serve you to the end;
remain forever near me,
my master and my friend.
I shall not fear the battle
if you are by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if you will be my guide.

4 O Jesus, you have promised
to all who follow you
that where you are in glory
your servant shall be too.
And Jesus, I have promised
to serve you to the end;
oh, give me grace to follow,
my master and my friend.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Shepherding God,
you have prepared a table before us
and nourished us with your love.
Send us forth from this banquet
to proclaim your goodness
and share the abundant mercy of Jesus,
our redeemer and friend. **Amen**

SENDING SONG

Alleluia! Jesus is Risen (vs. 3,5)

Hymn 377

3 Jesus the vine, we are the branches;
life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;
heaven to earth, Christ to the people,
gift of the future now flowing to me.

Refrain

Jesus is risen and we shall arise.
Give God the glory! Alleluia!

5 City of God, Easter forever,
golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,
river of life, saints and archangels,
sing with creation to God the I AM! **Refrain**

BLESSING

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: The God of resurrection power,
the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope
bless you now and always. **Amen**

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES



Register now for Vacation Bible School

Camp Firelight
A SUMMER CAMP Psalm 56:3
ADVENTURE WITH GOD

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

JUNE 17th-20th

Call 605-343-4887

Ministry of the Month

LUTHERANS OUTDOORS

Outlaw Ranch

LOAD SUMMER 2024
CREATED TO BE
IN THE HILLS ON THE PLAINS, AT THE WATER

SEMI-ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday
May 19,
10:00 AM

There will be
caramel rolls
to buy

SOUTH CANYON LUTHERAN CHURCH
NEW EVENT: PUB THEOLOGY

You're Invited!

- Sunday, May 19, 5-6:30 PM
- Zymurcracy Beer Co
- Good beer, amazing company, and thought-provoking conversation
- Fried Chicken, Chips and Cookies
- Sign up by May 15th

ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND STAFF
Free Lunch for Finals @ South Canyon Lutheran Church

May 22 & 23 11:30-12:30

Grilled Burgers & Brats, Mac' N Cheese
Tossed Salad, Nachos, Veggie Trays & Desserts (Gluten-free available)

Freshmen Welcome

Tom Pfeifle Memorial
2024 5k Run/Walk

Saturday, June 22, 2024

Raider Park
8:30am Race Time

Register May 4 & 5 in the Koinonia Kafe

PANCHEROS MEXICAN GRILL

Have dinner and raise funds for SCLC Youth!

Youth Fundraisers
Mondays, May 13th & June 17
4-8 pm

We get 20% back!

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Welcome to worship at South Canyon! We are very glad you are worshipping with us today and hope you find us a welcoming and caring faith community. If you have any questions, please ask our interim Pastor, Paul Erdal or find a staff member with a silver name tag. We also invite you to call the church office at 605-344-4887 for more information.

Holy Communion is served on the 2nd, 4th, and 5th Sundays, and the prior Saturdays of every month. Everyone is welcome at The Lord’s Table to either partake in the elements or receive a blessing. Further instructions are given during the service.

Please be advised that we live stream Sunday Services and that pictures taken during worship may appear on Facebook or in the Newsletter. If you are sensitive about having your image, or the image of a child, being seen online, please sit in the back three rows of the sanctuary, and use caution during the Children’s Message and time with Gizzy and Friends. Communion can always be brought to you.

Children are always welcome in the worship service. We have activity packets for kids on the entry table next to the coat racks. There is also a “Pray Ground” area in the narthex reserved just for you and your children if you need a little more space to move around during the service. We have a professionally staffed nursery located up the steps and across from the office in the Koinonia Kafe if needed.

There are *Christ in Our Home* devotionals available for you to take home on the entry table next to the coat racks.

Restrooms are located up the ramp from the Koinonia Kafe and on the left.

Please let one of the ushers know if there is anything else you need.

Monday, May 13: 4:00 pm – Pancheros Youth Fundraiser	Sunday May 19: Pentecost 9:00 am – Worship (live streamed) Bella Voce Sings in Service
Tuesday, May 14: 1:30 pm – Eunice Circle	10:00 am –Semi-Annual Meeting
Wednesday, May 15:	10:00 am – Caramel Roll Sale (Youth Fundraiser)
Thursday May 16: 9:00 am – Piecemakers	Monday, May 20:
Friday May 17:	Tuesday, May 21:
Saturday May 18: 5:30 pm – Worship	7:00 pm – Priscilla Circle

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Jordie Storm

Darold Watters

Glenyce Nordmeyer

Carolyn Jacobs and Nell Olds, sisters of Barbara Bacon
David, friend of Drolc and Wellendorf families
Roxana Uttermark, sister-in-law of Gina Nelson

Prayer requests: be sure to call the church office or contact Info@sclc-rc.org by Thursday to have names added to prayers during worship. Names will be posted for two weeks unless requested otherwise.

Thank you for your weekly offerings received last week totaling \$14, 401.01

WORSHIP MINISTRY

5:30 PM

music – Marsha Mertes
assisting minister –
reader –
communion – Karla Lipp
ushers –
slide operator – Bob Jensen

9:00 AM

music – Justin Matters
assisting minister – Luther Busching
reader – Jennifer Mallet
communion – Tammy Richards & Joleen Wilson
ushers – Barb & Dave Nelson
ushers – Ed & Gina Nelson
slide operator – Butch Bowman
streaming – Phil Busching

Use this code to give electronically:



See, Grow, and Serve to the Glory of God!

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