

# South Canyon Lutheran Church

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*“Home of Friend-Ship Preschool”*

**January 18 & 19, 2025**

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany*

**5:30 pm & 9:00 am**



## *Welcome to Worship*

### **(9 am) PRELUDE**

**Beach Spring**

**Kenneth Kosche**

*Please take a moment to sign the friendship pads at the end of the pew by the aisle. Pass them down the aisle and send them back again. Thank you.*

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Note: Pastor Deb will end announcements with something like *“Let us take a moment to breath in and breath out as we center our hearts and minds for worship.”*

### **\*INVOCATION**

*We gather for worship in the name of the Triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.*

### **\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.*

**Amen.**

*Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.*

Silence is kept for reflection.

*Merciful God,*

**you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ’s ways. Amen.**

*God proclaims these words of assurance: “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine.” In Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God. Amen.*

- 1 **O God beyond all praising, we worship you today  
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;  
for we can only wonder at ev'ry gift you send,  
at blessings without number and mercies without end:  
we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word,  
we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.**
  
- 2 **The flow'r of earthly splendor in time must surely die,  
its fragile bloom surrender to you, the Lord most high;  
but hidden from all nature the eternal seed is sown—  
though small in mortal stature, to heaven's garden grown:  
for Christ, your gift from heaven, from death has set us free,  
and we through him are given the final victory.**
  
- 3 **Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,  
that we who know your favor may serve you as our King;  
and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,  
we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:  
to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,  
and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.**

**\*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.**

*Let us pray*

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*Lord God, source of every blessing,*

**you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

**1 Corinthians 12:1-11 (Pew Bible pg 877)**

*Turn to page 877 in the pew Bible for our first reading - 1 Corinthians, chapter 12, beginning with the first verse.*

Now, dear brothers and sisters, regarding your question about the special abilities the Spirit gives us. I don't want you to misunderstand this. You know that when you were still pagans, you were led astray and swept along in worshiping speechless idols. So I want you to know that no one speaking by the Spirit of God will curse Jesus, and no one can say Jesus is Lord, except by the Holy Spirit.

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all. There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord. God works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us.

A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other. To one person the Spirit gives the ability to give wise advice; to another the same Spirit gives a message of special knowledge. The same Spirit gives great faith to another, and to someone else the one Spirit gives the gift of healing. He gives one person the power to perform miracles, and another the ability to prophesy. He gives someone else the ability to discern whether a message is from the Spirit of God or from another spirit. Still another person is given the ability to speak in unknown languages, while another is given the ability to interpret what is being said. It is the one and only Spirit who distributes all these gifts. He alone decides which gift each person should have.

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

## SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 62:1-8

*Let us read responsively Psalm 62, verses 1-8.*

*I wait quietly before God, for my victory comes from him.*

**He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress where I will never be shaken.**

*So many enemies against one man— all of them trying to kill me. To them I'm just a broken-down wall or a tottering fence.*

**They plan to topple me from my high position. They delight in telling lies about me.**

**They praise me to my face but curse me in their hearts.**

*Let all that I am wait quietly before God, for my hope is in him.*

**He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress where I will not be shaken.**

*My victory and honor come from God alone. He is my refuge, a rock where no enemy can reach me.*

**O my people, trust in him at all times. Pour out your heart to him, for God is our refuge.**

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

## SCRIPTURE READING

John 2:1-11 (Pew Bible pg 810)

*Turn to page 810 in the pew Bible for our Gospel reading – John 2, chapter 2, beginning with the first verse.*

The next day there was a wedding celebration in the village of Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the celebration. The wine supply ran out during the festivities, so Jesus' mother told him, "They have no more wine."

"Dear woman, that's not our problem," Jesus replied. "My time has not yet come."

But his mother told the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

Standing nearby were six stone water jars, used for Jewish ceremonial washing. Each could hold twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus told the servants, "Fill the jars with water." When the jars had been filled, he said, "Now dip some out, and take it to the master of ceremonies." So the servants followed his instructions.

When the master of ceremonies tasted the water that was now wine, not knowing where it had come from (though, of course, the servants knew), he called the bridegroom over. "A host always serves the best wine first," he said. "Then, when everyone has had a lot to drink, he brings out the less expensive wine. But you have kept the best until now!"

This miraculous sign at Cana in Galilee was the first time Jesus revealed his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

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

## (9 am) GIZZY TIME

### SERMON

Pastor Deb Grismer

### SONG OF THE DAY

*Take My Life, That I May Be*

ELW 685 vs 1,2,6

**Vs 1: Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**Lead me Lord, lead me in Your righteousness. Make Your way plain for us to see.**

**Vs 2: Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love;  
take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.**

**Lead me Lord, lead me in Your righteousness. Make Your way plain for us to see.**

**Vs 6: Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store;  
take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.**

**Lead me Lord, lead me in Your righteousness. Make Your way plain for us to see.**

### \*APOSTLES' CREED

*Please rise.*

*Journeying together with trust and hope, we confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' 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 Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the 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 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.**

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*The peace of Christ be with you all. And also with you.*

*Let us share a sign of God's peace with one another.*

**(9 am) OFFERING** *Assisting Minister hands out offering plates*

*As you are seated, we will gather our offering. Thank you for the generous ways you support the mission of this congregation as well as our Ministry of the Month – the Abbott House through your gifts of time, talents and resources.*

**(9 am) OFFERTORY**

**Simple Gifts**

**Kenneth Kosche**

**(9 am) OFFERING RESPONSE** *Assisting Minister receives offering plates and places them on the communion table.*

**Holy Spirit, Root of Life**

**ELW 399 vs 3**

**O holy Wisdom, soaring pow'r, encompass us with wings unfurled,  
and carry us, encircling all above, below, and through the world.**

**OFFERING PRAYER**

*Let us pray...*

*God of grace,*

**your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas.**

**Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.**

**Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.*

**A brief silence.**

*Giver of gifts, you form each member of the church to serve. Inspire us to boldly use gifts of welcome and healing, service and teaching, leading and preaching, for the sake of your work in our community and beyond. We pray for neighboring congregations and ministry sites. Nurture our shared commitment to embody Jesus' love, justice, and healing.*

*God of grace, hear our prayer.*

*Voice of the oppressed, you call prophets throughout time. We remember the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a voice for racial and economic justice and for peace. Guide our nation in continuing to heed your prophetic call.*

*God of grace, hear our prayer.*

*God of steadfast love, as Jesus celebrated at Cana, nurture marriages and relationships in mutual care; in times of separation or divorce hold tenderly broken hearts and broken dreams. Be present to all who are sick, grieving or in any need, including*

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*God of grace, hear our prayer.*

*Father God, we pray for our children, no matter their origin of birth. We pray for those who are students, especially those returning to school after winter break. We pray for those guiding and loving our children, including school staff. We pray for children who have been abused and for the people who are helping, including all involved with the Abbott House. Help all to know they are children of God and they are loved.*

*God of grace, hear our prayer.*

*Wellspring of life, in living and dying we trust in you. We give thanks for the saints. Be with those who are grieving loss of any kind, including the family and friends of \_\_\_\_\_ as well as those who are devastated by disasters such as fire, floods, earthquakes and wars. Bring us comfort and strength. Guide us in our living until, at last, we rest in you.*

*God of grace, hear our prayer.*

*We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us to pray...*

## **LORDS 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**

*Please rise for the blessing.*

*The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

## **\*SENDING SONG**

### **The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve**

**ELW 551, vs 1-3**

**Vs 1: The Spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus' name to bring glad tidings to the poor, God's favor to proclaim.**

**Vs 2: We go to comfort those who mourn and set the burdened free; where hope is dim, to share a dream and help the blind to see.**

**Vs 3: We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed and, all our days, to cherish life, to do the loving deed.**

## **\*DISMISSAL**

*Go in peace to love your neighbor and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

## **(9 am) POSTLUDE**

**Dove of Peace**

**Kenneth Kosche**

*\*Please stand in body or spirit.*

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***Thank you to our worship servers for your ministry.***

## **Saturday/Sunday, January 18 & 19**

Musicians: Marsha Mertes (Sat)/Parker Knox (Sun)

Assisting Minister: Jona Hagen

Reader: Carrie Churchill

Slides: Owen Mertes (Sat)/Butch Bowman (Sun)

Streaming: Phil Busching

Ushers/Greeters: Jeff and Carrie Churchill, Dave and Barb Nelson, Deb Watson, Terry Fuller

## **Saturday/Sunday, January 25 & 26**

Musicians: Joyful Noise

Assisting Minister: Dan Cavanaugh

Reader: Deb Watson

Slides: Owen Mertes (Sat)/Butch Bowman (Sun)

Streaming: Bob Thompson

Ushers/Greeters: Terry Fuller and Deb Watson

Communion Assistants: Dan and Julie Cavanaugh

Altar Care: Dan and Julie Cavanaugh