## South Canyon Lutheran Church

See, Grow, Serve To the Glory of God 700 44th Street Rapid City, SD 57702 Phone: 605.343.4887 www.sclc-rc.org "Home of Friend-Ship Preschool"

June 14 & 15, 2025 5:30 pm & 9:00 am

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost



# Welcome to Worship

(9 am) PRELUDE

### Prelude for a Sunday Morning

Theodore Beck

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

#### \*INVOCATION

Please rise.

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, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

#### Amen.

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.

#### Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

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.

\*GATHERING SONG

This is My Father's World

**ELW 824** 

### \*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

Gracious God,

you created the world and all that exists, you created a people out of a promise to an elderly childless couple, you freed your people from bondage, and brought them to the land you promised to our ancestor Abraham. As we read the Bible and hear the stories of your love and salvation, grant us faith to face our own worries, fears, and doubts. Through Jesus Christ, the fulfillment of all your promises and the source of our eternal salvation, we pray. Amen.

Please be seated.

### SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 12:1-3

The Lord had said to Abram, "Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father's family, and go to the land that I will show you. I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be blessed through you."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Genesis 15:1-6

Some time later, the Lord spoke to Abram in a vision and said to him, "Do not be afraid, Abram, for I will protect you, and your reward will be great."

But Abram replied, "O Sovereign Lord, what good are all your blessings when I don't even have a son? Since you've given me no children, Eliezer of Damascus, a servant in my household, will inherit all my wealth. You have given me no descendants of my own, so one of my servants will be my heir."

Then the Lord said to him, "No, your servant will not be your heir, for you will have a son of your own who will be your heir." Then the Lord took Abram outside and said to him, "Look up into the sky and count the stars if you can. That's how many descendants you will have!"

And Abram believed the Lord, and the Lord counted him as righteous because of his faith.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Genesis 22:1-14

Some time later, God tested Abraham's faith. "Abraham!" God called.

"Yes," he replied. "Here I am."

"Take your son, your only son—yes, Isaac, whom you love so much—and go to the land of Moriah. Go and sacrifice him as a burnt offering on one of the mountains, which I will show you."

The next morning Abraham got up early. He saddled his donkey and took two of his servants with him, along with his son, Isaac. Then he chopped wood for a fire for a burnt offering and set out for the place God had told him about. On the third day of their journey, Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. "Stay here with the donkey," Abraham told the servants. "The boy and I will travel a little farther. We will worship there, and then we will come right back."

So Abraham placed the wood for the burnt offering on Isaac's shoulders, while he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them walked on together, <sup>7</sup> Isaac turned to Abraham and said, "Father?"

"Yes, my son?" Abraham replied.

"We have the fire and the wood," the boy said, "but where is the sheep for the burnt offering?

"God will provide a sheep for the burnt offering, my son," Abraham answered. And they both walked on together. When they arrived at the place where God had told him to go, Abraham built an altar and arranged the wood on it. Then he tied his son, Isaac, and laid him on the altar on top of the wood. And Abraham picked up the knife to kill his son as a sacrifice. At that moment the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, "Abraham! Abraham!"

"Yes," Abraham replied. "Here I am!" "Don't lay a hand on the boy!" the angel said. "Do not hurt him in any way, for now I know that you truly fear God. You have not withheld from me even your son, your only son." Then Abraham looked

up and saw a ram caught by its horns in a thicket. So he took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering in place of his son. Abraham named the place Yahweh-Yireh (which means "the Lord will provide"). To this day, people still use that name as a proverb: "On the mountain of the Lord it will be provided."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

### (9 am) GIZZY TIME WITH FRIENDS

SERMON "On the Journey of Faith, are you due for a faith-lift?"

**Pastor Deb Grismer** 

**HYMN OF THE DAY** 

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

**ELW 733** 

### **RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

[Names of new members] have come to us from other congregations and desire to transfer their membership into our community of faith.

Journeying together in hope and trust, let us all confess our faith which binds us together as siblings in Christ, 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 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 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.

In baptism, we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God. We are called to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

Siblings in Christ, do you intend to continue in the covenant of your baptism among God's people in this place? New Members: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to welcome, support and pray for these new members as they join this congregation? We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

We welcome these sisters and brothers in Christ into this community of faith at South Canyon Lutheran Church.

We are grateful for your presence among us as we celebrate your gifts and welcome you to our community of faith.

Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

Let us pray:

Almighty God, by the love of Jesus Christ you draw people to yourself and welcome them into the household of faith. May we show your joy by embracing new siblings in Christ as we bear your creative and redeeming word to all the world. Keep us close together in your Spirit, in the breaking of bread and the prayers, and in service to others, following the example of Jesus Christ, our servant and Lord. Amen.

Let us welcome our new members with a round of applause.

#### \*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 – Chapel in the Hills - through your gifts of time, talents and resources.

(9 am) OFFERTORY

### **Precious Memories**

Franklin Ritter

(9 am) OFFERING RESPONSE

Pastor Deb will collect the offering plates

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

**ELW 182** 

#### **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

This summer instead of using the pre-written Prayers of Intercession, the congregation is invited to share their joys and concerns. Pastor Deb will then lead the congregation in prayer.

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation...

...Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who taught us to pray...

### THE 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.

#### \*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

Faith of Our Fathers

ELW 812 1,3

### **DISMISSAL**

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

### (9 am) POSTLUDE

### **Crown Him with Many Crowns**

John Troutman

\*Please stand in body or spirit.

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# Thank you to our worship servers for your ministry.

Saturday/Sunday, June 14 & 15

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

Assisting Minister: Dan Cavanaugh

Reader: Gary Evensen

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

Streaming: Janet Carter Ushers/Greeters: Mark Team