



## South Canyon Lutheran Church

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Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs: 9:00am- 4:00 pm

Fridays: 9:00am-12:00pm

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## How to Get Connected

### Social Media:



facebook.com/south canyon lutheran

<https://onrealm.org/SouthCanyonLuth>

## Services Online

We are live on Sundays at 9:00 am here:



South Canyon Lutheran YouTube



facebook.com/south canyon lutheran

# IN THE NEWS

## February 2026

### Worship Service Times

- Wednesdays at 6:00 pm
- Saturdays at 5:30 pm
- Sundays at 9:00 am
- Communion is offered on the 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays & prior Saturday nights

### Get Text & Email Alerts:

Call the church office to get set up with our app-based platform so you can receive text. Let us know if you have an email where you would like to receive newsletters and other information, including SCLC Connections.

### Download our Realm App:

We have a wonderful app for downloading. Call the church office to learn how!

### Call or Email our Main Office:

Main Office: 605.343.4887

info@sclc-rc.org

### NEED TO CATCH UP?

Catch all the livestream and videos on our website or on YouTube at any time. Go to our website: [sclc-rc.org](http://sclc-rc.org) and click on box to join us online.

Services are archived for viewing.

*Coming soon to SCLC*

## The Season of Lent

*Beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 18*



Lent is a 40-day season of prayer, fasting, and repentance leading up to Easter. It symbolizes Jesus' 40 days in the wilderness. During this time we focus on spiritual renewal, self-examination, and preparation for celebrating Christ's resurrection through practices like giving up luxuries, almsgiving, and deeper devotion to God. During this Lenten season, we offer a Wednesday service at noon followed by a soup dinner, along with our Wednesday evening and weekend services. Our Wednesday noon services begin on Ash Wednesday, February 18 where our noon and 6:00 service will include communion and imposition of ashes. Read below for more information about our mid-week and weekend worship series.



### *All In - Weekend Worship Series*

*Beginning Ash Wednesday, February 18 &  
Saturday, Feb. 21 & Sunday, Feb. 22*

*Have you ever decided to go all in for something?*

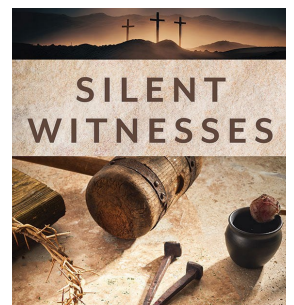
*Jesus shows what it is like to be all in for the reign of God. It means being fully invested, deeply committed. There are no backup options. Everything is on the line. As Christians, God calls us to a life of commitment and caring for our neighbors and our world, even when the cultures around us view our caring as naïve and our commitment as pointless. But God calls us to deep engagement.*

*This Lent, as we learn about God's own commitment, we'll explore how the elements of our liturgy prepare us for active engagement in the world God so loves. Our preaching, prayer, and devotional time help connect us to our neighbors, to the planet we share, and to God. This Lent, God is all in for us. Let's go all in for God's love, too.*

### *Silent Witnesses - Midweek Worship Series*

*Beginning February 25 - Noon and 6 pm*

*The robe, the nails, the spear, the shroud, the stone- if these things could speak, what might they tell us? Silent Witnesses is a series for Lent in which the chief speaker each week takes the role of one of the things associated with our Lord's suffering and death, describing and interpreting the events and their meaning from that object's point of view. Our faith will grow as we open our minds to experience Jesus' story from different points of view.*



**"SOUPER"  
BOWL SUNDAY**



### **Saturday, February 7 & Sunday, February 8**

In honor of Super Bowl LX, all worshipers are encouraged to bring one or more cans of soup to worship to give as part of your offering and to use to vote for which team you think will win the Super Bowl. All soup will be donated to Church Response. Let's have a little fun while supporting a great ministry!



## January 26, 2026 Council Meeting

Present: Nancy Busching, Jona Hagen, Halima Kringen, Gregg Brower, Nichole Morse, Gary Johnson, Kelly Whiting, PJ Haar, Debra Watson, Ken Bauman, Pastor Deb Grismer

*\*Highlights not mentioned elsewhere in Newsletter*

### **Ministry Mission Plan Updates:** (Highlights of Team/Committee Meetings & other ministries)

#### **Education**

Second graders are still working through ABC Bible verses. Thank you notes have been received by scholarship recipients. VBS will be July 20-23. We will not be hosting an LO Day Camp this year. The schedule for the remainder of the education year was reviewed. A SparkHouse curriculum is being used for 8th grade Confirmation and middle school will be doing monthly service projects instead of prayer journals.

#### **Property Committee**

Moved memorial plaque and took down wooden bench as part of the Playground Makeover. Adjusted some doors. Added door handle to preschool door by dumpster. Patched walls by downstairs piano. Hung sensory boards on the walls. Could use a skidsteer to move shed if we want it back in original spot. The windstorm in December moved the shed about 2 feet. Trailer needs to be moved.

#### **Worship**

The worship teams joined forces to greet, usher and provide communion to roughly 800 faithfuls for the 3 services on Christmas Eve. Christmas Eve services went well.

#### **Outreach**

Feeding SD will be shortening shifts from 2 hours to 90 minutes since the busiest time is during the beginning. Tim and Cheryl are in conversation about taking boxes to a couple of the low income high rises. No decision has been made yet. 139 boxes distributed in January.

#### **Community Care**

The Grief Group and Care Giver Support Group gatherings have been suspended.

#### **Fellowship Committee**

The pizza party and tour of lights went well in December. The Third Saturday Suppers are going well. In March we are going to host bingo following the Third Saturday Supper.

#### **Pastor Deb's Report**

I am attending the Bear Butte Conference Leaders Retreat the afternoon of Feb 1 – morning of Feb 3. I will be on vacation the afternoon of February 15 – 17. Gareth is finishing another rug for the church which will hang downstairs in the fellowship hall. It is titled “Window of Creation” and was inspired by part of the Creation window.

#### **Treasurer's Report & Financial Mission Plan Update:**

The statement of activity for January - December, 2025 was reviewed. Our general operating income for 2025 was \$678,661.22. Our operating expenses were \$675,630.56. These expenses were about \$40,000 under the expenses approved in the 2025 financial mission plan. As of January 16, 2026, the balances in the bank accounts were: General operating checking - \$73,299.99, General MM - \$154,549.66, Savings - \$41,523.42, Savings MM - \$63,327.40, Building Fund - \$56,033.73, Memorial Fund - \$77,838.84, Food Certificates - \$8,618.92, Pastor's Discretionary Fund - \$2,039.71

#### **Other Discussion/Decisions:**

\*A wall is being built to replace the grey dividers in the sanctuary. This area will continue to house the Feeding SD Supplies.

\*Two old furnaces will be replaced. They are furnaces which heat some of the downstairs classrooms.

\*The Call Committee will be conducting a second interview with a candidate.

\*The terms of nine council members will be completed in May, 2026. Pastor Deb will be speaking with these members individually to see if they would like to be nominated for re-election in May. Nominating Committee includes Gary Johnson, Carrie Churchill, Brent Ziegler, Carol Stiles and Diane Tschetter.

#### **Next Council Meeting - March 2 at 6 pm.**

*If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to reach out to a member of Council.*



## Ministry of the Month – Church Response

Church Response is a Christian outreach organization that is housed in downtown Rapid City, next to the Cornerstone Rescue Mission.

In February we are collecting cans of soup. Can you help fill the shopping cart in the entryway?

Another way to support Church Response and SCLC throughout the year is through Church Response's grocery gift card program. Through this program you can purchase gift cards through the church office to use at local stores like Family Fare, Safeway, or Walmart. It's an easy way to shop, give, and make a difference all at once! Stop by the church office to get your gift cards today.

Donations can be made through the Globe Offering during worship services, Realm (church online giving), offering envelopes or mailed directly to 30 Main Street, Rapid City, SD 57701.



Church Response began after the Black Hills Flood of 1972, bringing local churches together to serve neighbors in need. Today, they continue that mission by providing food assistance, help with essential documents like IDs and birth certificates, and other emergency support for individuals and families in the Rapid City community.

Through faith, compassion, and collaboration, Church Response offers a helping hand—and hope—when it's needed most. Together, we can care for our neighbors!

## Feeding South Dakota



Feeding South Dakota box distribution continues to make a difference monthly to seniors in our community. There are a variety of tasks and skills to suit all who would like to volunteer. Thanks to the continued leadership of Tim Shirley, this ministry is becoming a well oiled machine. Please choose a shift and time to suit your schedule February 14 or 15, and lend a hand. Simply sign up, and your shift will be confirmed. Training is available at church for first time volunteers on the Thursday prior to distribution at 6:30 pm. (Feb. 12) It's another way to get to know those you worship with. The entire operation takes place in our church parking lot.



## KSLT Friday Morning Coffee Break

Thank you Teri B. for nominating the staff at South Canyon Lutheran Church for the 107.1 KSLT Friday Morning Coffee Break. Thank you, Mead Lumber of Rapid City, for sponsoring the break. The staff thoroughly enjoyed the coffee and treats!



# WHAT'S HAPPENING



## Staffed Nursery Update

Beginning February 1, 2026, our nursery will be staffed during Wednesday night and Sunday morning worship services only. The nursery is available for parents and children at all times. However, SCLC will only staff the nursery for the two worship services. If you have any questions or concerns, please visit with Pastor Deb. Thank you.

## God's Work ... Our Hands

Is God calling you to serve? Donate? Do you have an hour a week or a month? Check out the information on the wall on the way into the coffee bar. There is much need in our community where little things make a big difference. Can you help?



## Intersection: Faith and Life

Adult Discussion Group  
Sundays following worship  
Reformation Room at SCLC

Facilitated by Craig Alberty

All are welcome to be a part of  
the conversations!

## Free Lunch

The next Free Lunch date is scheduled for Tuesday, February 24. Would you like to be involved with this ministry to high school youth? Last fall, 1895 meals were served to our neighbors. That's an increase of

310 appreciative high school students and staff over the previous fall. Wow! Thank you for volunteering to bake, prep, serve and cleanup. This outreach ministry is successful because of you. We are also very grateful for

the support of Thrivent Action grants, which help defray the cost of this ministry. We always welcome new faces to participate in this outreach. You can find the sign up sheet in the Koinonia Room. You may also email Diane to help.

([bdtschet@gmail.com](mailto:bdtschet@gmail.com))



## Caregiver Support Group

Are you looking for support in your role as a caregiver? We are willing to facilitate a Caregiver Support Group at SCLC.

The purpose of this group is to provide support to those who are presently or have been a caregiver to a family member or friend.



If you are interested in more information or participating please call:

Gladys Storm: 605-415-3185 or

Gary Johnson: 605-391-5915

## Wednesday Meals

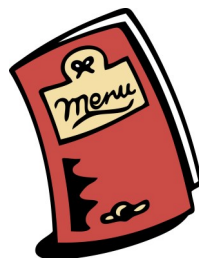
5:00-5:55pm

February 4– Baked Potato Bar

February 11– Broccoli and Cheese  
Casserole

February 18– Chicken Parmesan  
Sliders

February 25– Cheesy Chicken Penne



## The Ongoing Book Nook

Our Book Nook is always full of something for everyone—fiction and non-fiction, great reads for adults, teen and children's books, inspirational titles, mysteries, and more!



Have books to share? We gladly accept book donations of all kinds so we can keep a wide variety available for everyone. Proceeds benefit the youth and family ministries.

This has become an easy and joyful way to support the church—because really... who doesn't love books? And we so appreciate your support!

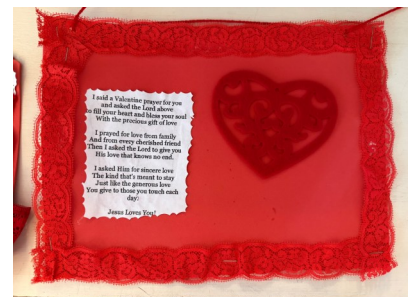
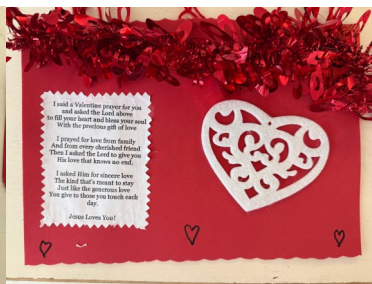
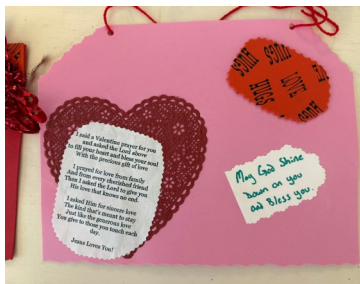




# Baptisms



The sixth and seventh grade youth made valentine decorations for the assisted living facility at St. Martin as part of their monthly service commitment.





# Director of Worship



Ellen Shirley  
ellen@sclc-rc.org

Thank you to our Inter-Generational Band for their musical leadership in worship Sunday, Feb. 1. We appreciate your collective gifts and willingness to use them to lead our music on Sunday! Thank you for being a blessing!!!

Sadly, Joyful Noise does not lead worship in February, BUT they will be back with a bang in March! We'll have a bluegrass Sunday, March 8 and regular Joyful Noise the weekend of March 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. Stay tuned!

Just a few reminders -

Wednesday, February 18 is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.

Early start time for Kid's Choir Friday, the 6<sup>th</sup> - 1:45. And, no Kid's Choir Friday, February 13.

## Fellowship Committee



*What a fantastic turnout for our January Saturday Night Supper. We had 35 people enjoy food and fellowship. Thank you to all who brought food for the event.*

**February 21 - Third Saturday Supper @ 6:15 pm**  
**Koinonia Room**

**Menu: Baked Potato Bar**

The Fellowship Committee is seeking volunteers to bring desserts and potato toppings.

Committee members will provide baked potatoes.

Please let the church office know if you are willing to bring something for the meal. Even if you don't attend Saturday Night worship we would love for you to join us for supper.

### ***Come bowling with us!***

The Fellowship Committee invites all of God's children of all ages to an afternoon of bowling and fellowship.

No experience necessary!!

**When: Sunday, March 1 at 3:00 pm**

**Where: Meadowood Lanes**

**2809 Sturgis Road, Rapid City**

**Cost: \$5.00 (+ money for snacks, if desired)**

*Please contact the front office if you are planning on coming so we have enough lanes reserved.*  
**605-343-4887 or**  
**info@sclc-rc.org**







# Children, Youth, & Family Ministries

## February Activities



Mona Droic  
mona@scfc-rc.org  
605-343-4887

### Spark Sunday: 10:05 - 10:45am

Pre-K (4-5 yr. olds) to 5th Grade

**February:** 1st-The Beatitudes

8th-Salt and Light

15th-The Transfiguration

22nd-The First Sin

### Whirly Wednesday: 6:40 - 7:15pm

Pre-K (4-5 yr. olds) to 5th Grade

**February:** 4th-The Beatitudes

11th-Worship and Justice

18th-**NO CLASS ASH WEDNESDAY**

25th-Adam and Eve



### Milestones for February

mark your calendars

~ Sunday & Wednesday,  
February 1st & 4th  
**10th Grade**  
Serving

~ Sunday & Wednesday,  
February 22nd & 25th  
**3 yr. Olds**  
Prayer Pillows

### March Milestones

~ Sunday & Wednesday,  
March 1st & 4th  
**11th Grade**  
Vocation

~ Sunday & Wednesday,  
March 15th & 18th  
**5th Grade**  
Apostles' Creed



### Middle School Youth Group: 6:40 - 7:15pm Wednesday

6th to 8th Grade

**February:**

4th-Faith Formation

11th-Caring Conversation

18th-**NO CLASS ASH WEDNESDAY**

25th-Service Project

### High School Youth Group: 6:40 - 7:15pm Wednesday

9th to 12th Grade

**February:**

4th-Bible Study

11th-Caring Conversations

18th-**NO CLASS ASH WEDNESDAY**

25th-Bible Study



### Confirmation: 6:40 - 7:15pm Wednesday

8th & 9th Grade

**NOTE THE CHANGE 8th Grade!!**

**February:**

4th-Confirmation - For Both 8th & 9th

11th-Youth Group

18th-**NO CLASS ASH WEDNESDAY**

25th-**8th Grade Confirmation**/9th Grade Mentor Night

### Upcoming Events: Take Note and Mark your Calendars

**FAITH FEST in Sioux Falls** ~ 6th-8th Middle School Trip February 6th-8th

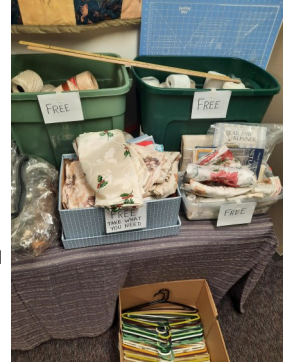
**NO WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES - February 18th - ASH WEDNESDAY**

**First Communion Instruction and Bread Making w/Brunch - March 21-22**



# Pieces of Us

Just like many of you, we found the new year begging us to clean and organize. As we dug in to all of the many wonderful donations, we found hidden treasures and unknown excesses. We use most everything we receive and donate items that can be used by other organizations. And now, we want to share our abundance with you. On the table at the bottom of the stairs, we have several items in totes and boxes for you to take, use, and share. New items will be added as we continue to organize our spaces. As always, we are still accepting and deeply appreciate all of your donations so we may continue in our service to those in need. With February, a month that rings of love, we would like you to know that love can be as simple as sharing a part of yourself, your time, your talents; gifts God has shared with you. 2026 needs you. Show up with your love and help make this world a little bit kinder.



## Thank You



**Thank you, family of faith, for your ongoing support and faithful giving year after year. Our Christmas Servant Event was truly a blessing to The Circle / Family Connection!**

The Giving Tree overflowed with blankets and quilts, socks, caps, scarves, and gloves. In addition, members generously purchased **forty-three \$25 gift cards** to be used for essential needs for individual clients. A total of **\$2921.14** was also collected.

Because these gift cards were purchased through the **WeCare Gift Card Program**, both **Church Response and South Canyon** will receive a percentage of the sales as well—extending the impact of your generosity even further.

**The Circle** serves homeless, unaccompanied youth ages **18–24**, providing housing, assistance with job searches, budgeting and basic cooking skills, counseling, and many other forms of support as these young adults work to get their lives back on track.



## The Gospel—Reaching Far and Wide

Social media (Facebook) opens new ways to share the Good News—reaching not only our local community, but people around the globe. Our church Facebook page is a safe and welcoming space to find daily devotions or prayers to begin your day, uplifting and inspiring messages, and meaningful connections. Missed worship? Check our website or YouTube to catch up.

By liking, commenting, and especially sharing posts, you help extend that message of hope beyond our walls. A simple share may place God's Word in front of someone who truly needs it. We can reach thousands with a single click!

Stay connected and informed about:

- Church events
- Wednesday meals
- Weekend worship
- Fellowship
- Outreach and service



Take a moment to check in, scroll, be encouraged—and help spread the Good News by sharing.

Together, we are sharing the Gospel **one post at a time**.



# South Canyon Lutheran Church

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

*Happy February Community of Faith!*

*The end of January is a time when all kinds of fun mail arrives in your mailbox, like papers needed to complete your taxes and giving statements for 2025. Many of you have or will receive your giving statement from SCLC in your email or USPS mailbox. The following letter will be attached. In case you don't receive anything from SCLC, we thought we would share the letter with you in this space as well. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to reach out to me. Pastor Deb*

Dear Community of Faith,

It is an exciting time to be a part of South Canyon Lutheran Church. The Holy Spirit is at work and there is much joy and excitement in the air. Thank you for being a part of this joy and excitement through your giving of your gifts, including your financial gifts.

Along with this letter, you will find a summary of your financial gifts to SCLC for 2025. If you need a detailed giving statement, please contact Kristi at 605-343-4887 or [kristi@sclc-rc.org](mailto:kristi@sclc-rc.org). Your giving is extremely important. Our total revenue for 2025 was \$678,661.22. Our total expenses were \$675,630.56. Our expenses were about \$40,000 less than approved in our 2025 financial mission plan. By each of us financially giving what we could, we were able to start 2026 with a positive balance in our operating account. This is news to celebrate!

Financial giving is about more than just the numbers. Think about the ministry that happened within your congregation during 2025, because everyone worked together in the giving of their time, talents and resources. Children and Youth ministries are expanding. We gathered for worship, heard the preached Word of God, partook in the sacraments, sang, prayed, learned and connected with each other. We fed students and families both physically and spiritually. We supported the work of multiple organizations, touching the lives of thousands of individuals, through the Ministries of the Month. We partnered with Feeding SD to distribute food boxes to senior adults in our community. We began the search for an Associate Pastor. We welcomed new members. We celebrated baptisms. (Just to name a few things that happened in 2025). The Holy Spirit is at work. So exciting.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you for supporting the mission and ministry of South Canyon Lutheran Church with your financial gifts, time, and talents. As we look ahead to 2026, we recognize our income will need to increase, especially as we call an associate pastor. Please prayerfully consider whether you can increase your offering this year. Every little bit will help. For some, this is a possibility. Others are giving to their capacity. I fully acknowledge that. I appreciate your consideration.

I am excited to be journeying with you at this time in the life of the congregation. Please reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns or joys to share.

God bless,

*Pastor Deb Grismer*



Communion  
for the  
Homebound

## Home Communion Ministers Gathering

Saturday, February 28 at 10:00 am - Koinonia Room at SCLC

Are you currently a Home Communion Minister? This gathering is for you. Would you like to visit someone once a month and take communion to them? This gathering is for you. We will meet for conversation and training as we rejuvenate this important ministry. Questions? Contact Pastor Deb.



# LET'S GO TO CAMP

## Bible Camp Registration Is Now Open!!!

Lutherans Outdoors in South Dakota (LOSD) is dedicated to quality faith experiences and hospitality for all, and has been for more than 65 years. Christian camping allows each person to explore and experience Christ's love in community and creation. Campers live and play in a nurturing environment, which in turn leads them to build a stronger faith foundation, discover personal gifts and develop new **skills**, as well as connecting with others and building life-long relationships.

*Some other things campers will learn during a Bible Camp experience...*

**Controlled Independence:** Kids learn responsibility and independence by keeping their bunks tidy, keeping their clothes together, and being ready on time...all under the supervision of adult leaders.

**Positive Role models:** From the rec staff to the leadership staff to fellow campers, kids are surrounded by godly role models who encourage them in their relationship with God.

**They will encounter God:** A Bible-believing camp is the perfect opportunity for your kids to step into their own relationship with God. For a few days they are not distracted by home life, sibling squabbles, or pressure from school. It's just them and God.

### And...IT'S FUN!

For all the information about each camp and to register, visit [www.losd.com](http://www.losd.com). If you have questions, please visit with Mona or Pastor Deb.

**\*\*There are scholarships and camperships available to help with the cost of camp. Please don't let cost stop your child from experiencing camp.**

 <b>we are chosen</b> <small>Colossians 3:12-14</small>			
<b>WEEKLY CAMP CALENDAR</b> <small>Grades are based on 2025-2026 school year</small>			
2026 DATES	OUTLAW RANCH	KLEIN RANCH	NESODAK
<b>WEEK 1</b> JUNE 7-12	<b>YOUTH CAMPS</b> (3RD-5TH)(6TH-8TH) <b>ADVENTURES</b> (8-12TH) <b>LEADERSHIP CAMP (LOLP)</b> (10TH-12TH)	<b>YOUTH CAMP</b> (7TH-9TH) <b>LEADERSHIP CAMP (LOLP)</b> (10TH-12TH)	<b>CONFIRMATION 1</b> (5TH-10TH) <b>LEADERSHIP CAMP (LOLP)</b> (10TH-12TH)
<b>WEEK 2</b> JUNE 14-19	<b>YOUTH CAMPS</b> (3RD-5TH)(6TH-8TH) <b>PRIDE CAMP</b> (9TH-12TH)	<b>YOUTH CAMP</b> (7TH-12TH)	<b>CONFIRMATION 2</b> (5TH-10TH) <b>DAY CAMPS</b>
<b>WEEK 3</b> JUNE 21-26	<b>FAMILY CAMP</b> (ALL AGES) <b>ADVENTURES</b> (8TH-12TH)	<b>YOUTH CAMP</b> (7TH-12TH)	<b>CONFIRMATION 3</b> (5TH-10TH) <b>DAY CAMPS</b>
<b>WEEK 4</b> JUNE 28- JULY 3	<b>FAMILY CAMP</b> (ALL AGES) <b>DAY CAMPS</b>	CLOSED	<b>NEW</b> <b>FAMILY CAMP</b> (ALL AGES) JUNE 28- JULY 2
<b>WEEK 5</b> JULY 5-10	<b>FAMILY CAMP</b> (ALL AGES) <b>DAY CAMPS</b>	<b>YOUTH CAMP</b> (7TH-12TH)	<b>NEW</b> <b>FISHING CAMP 1</b> (3RD - 5TH) <b>EXPLORERS</b> (3RD-5TH) JULY 5-8 <b>ONSITE ONE-DAY DAY CAMP</b> (1ST- 3RD) JULY 9
<b>WEEK 6</b> JULY 12-17	<b>FAMILY CAMP</b> (ALL AGES) <b>ADVENTURES</b> (8TH-12TH)	<b>YOUTH CAMP</b> (7TH-12TH)	<b>1-2-3 CAMP</b> (1ST-3RD) JULY 12-14 WITH GUARDIAN <b>JR. EXPLORERS</b> (2ND-3RD) JULY 14-16 <b>EXPLORERS</b> (3RD - 5TH) JULY 14-17
<b>WEEK 7</b> JULY 19-24	<b>YOUTH CAMPS</b> (3RD-5TH)(6TH-8TH) <b>ADVENTURES</b> (8-12TH)	<b>YOUTH CAMP</b> (7TH-12TH)	<b>ANCHOR WEEK</b> (6TH-12TH)
<b>WEEK 8</b> JULY 26-31	<b>FAMILY CAMP</b> <b>BILINGUAL WEEK</b> (ALL AGES) <b>ADVENTURES</b> (8TH-12TH)	<b>NEW</b> <b>FAMILY CAMP</b> (ALL AGES)	<b>FISHING CAMP 2</b> (6TH-9TH) <b>VOYAGERS</b> (6TH-8TH) <b>JR. EXPLORERS</b> (2ND-3RD) JULY 26-28
<b>WEEK 9</b> AUGUST 2-7	—	—	<b>PATHFINDERS</b> (3RD - 5TH) <b>VOYAGERS</b> (6TH - 8TH)

**\*\*3rd - 8th Grade Campers - Are you interested in heading to NeSoDak for a week? Pastor Deb would love to take a group August 2 - 7. She would provide transportation and stay the week with the campers. Let her know if you would like to go.**



**OUTLAW RANCH, CUSTER SD**  
Hike and canoe, ride horses, worship around a campfire, meet camp counselors and friends, play lots of fun camp games and experience many more camp activities.



**NESODAK, WAUBAY SD**  
Bible study, swimming, crafts, games, worship, and great camp food! Campers will experience small group, community living while spending their waking hours in and on Enemy Swim Lake.



**KLEIN RANCH, ISABEL SD**  
Located on a real ranch, Klein ranch emphasizes horsemanship, small group living and teamwork. Campers will get to expand their faith and community by attending a Native American church. Campers will also camp under the stars, participate in water games on the Grand River and visit with neighboring ranchers.



## Greetings from Friend-Ship Preschool!

Friend-Ship Preschool is accepting early registrations for members of South Canyon Lutheran Church for the 2026-2027 school year. Community registration begins February 15th.

Friend-Ship Preschool is located at and is a ministry of South Canyon Lutheran Church. Friend-Ship Preschool is a Christian Preschool that follows the South Dakota Early Childhood Learning guidelines.

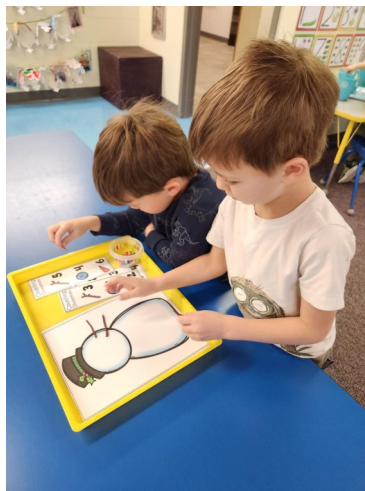
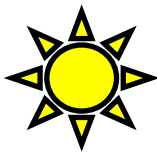
We offer 3 different program options -

Preschool 3s on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, and two options for Pre-Kindergarten (3 mornings or 5 mornings each week).

For more information you can check out our website at [friendshippreschoolslc.com](http://friendshippreschoolslc.com) or contact Rana by calling the church office.



**Preschool  
EARLY  
REGISTRATION**



# February 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9am-Worship with Inter-generational Band, 10th grade milestone (Live Streamed), 10:05am- Adult discussion group 10:05am-Spark Sunday School	2  1pm-2:30pm- Staff Meeting	3 1pm- Worship at Unity Place at St. Martin  6:30pm- Handbells	4 7:30am-Men's Bible Study 9:30am-Westhills Communion Service 10am- Westhills Ruth Circle 5pm-Meal 6pm - Worship, 10th grade milestone 6:40pm-Whirly Wednesday 7:10pm-Sanctuary Choir	5  9am- Piecemakers	6  1:45pm- Kid's Choir	7  5:30pm- Worship with communion
8 <b>SOUPerbowl Sunday</b> 9am-Worship with communion (Live Streamed)  10:05am- Adult discussion group  10:05am- Spark Sunday School	9  1pm-2:30pm- Staff Meeting   5:45pm - Education Committee	10    6:30pm- Handbells	11 7:30am-Men's Bible Study 9am- Elizabeth Bible Study 5pm-Meal 6pm - Worship with communion 6:40pm-Whirly Wednesday 7:10pm-Sanctuary Choir	12  9am-Piecemakers   6:30pm-Feeding SD Training	13	14 9am-1pm Feeding SD Distribution   5:30pm-Worship
15 9am-Worship (Live Streamed) 10:05am-Adult discussion group 10:05am-Spark Sunday School 1-3pm-Feeding SD Distribution	16  1pm-2:30pm- Staff Meeting	17  1:30pm- Eunice Bible Study   6:30pm-Handbells	18 <b>Ash Wednesday</b>  7:30am-Men's Bible Study <b>12pm- Lent Worship-lunch to follow</b> 5pm- Meal 6pm - Worship with Communion <b>No Education</b> 6:40pm- Bluegrass Rehearsal 7:10pm-Sanctuary Choir	19  9am-Piecemakers	20   3:45pm-Kid's Choir	21 8:30am-Book Club 5:30pm- Worship with communion  <b>6:15pm- Third Saturday Night Supper</b>
22 9am-Worship with Communion, 3 yr. old milestone (Live Streamed) 10:05am-Adult discussion group 10:05am-Spark Sunday School 2:00pm - Worship at Fox Ridge - Good Sam 3:00pm - Worship at Echo Ridge - Good Sam	23  1pm-2:30pm- Staff Meeting	24 <b>Free Lunch</b>  6:30pm-Handbells	25 7:30am-Men's Bible Study 5pm-Meal 6pm - Worship, 3 yr. old milestone 6:40pm-Whirly Wednesday 6:40pm-Bluegrass Rehearsal 7:10pm-Sanctuary Choir	26  9am-Piecemakers	27   3:45pm-Kid's Choir	28 10am- Home Communion Ministers Gathering 5:30pm-Worship





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**Preschool 3's - 8:45 AM 11:15 AM**

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M, W, F - 8:45 AM to 12 PM

**Pre-Kindergarten 5 day:**  
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