

# South Canyon Lutheran Church

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*"Home of Friend-Ship Preschool"*

**May 16 & 17, 2026**

*Fifth Weekend of Easter*

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



## *Welcome to Worship*

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

**Jacob's Ladder**

**Franklin Ritter**

*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**

*Please pull out your insert and take a look at the announcements that are printed.*

*One of the bubbles mentions SCLC's Habitat for Humanity Build Day. Terry Fuller is here to tell us a little more about this outreach event.*

### **(9 am) MINISTRY MOMENT**

**Habitat Build Day**

**Terry Fuller**

*Now let's take a moment to breathe in and breathe out as we center our hearts and minds for worship.*

**\*INVOCATION** *Please rise in body or spirit*

*We gather in the name of God, who created us, who was born to be with us, who guides us still. Amen.*

### **\*GATHERING SONG**

**Lord, I Lift Your Name on High**

**ELW 857 2xs**

**Lord, I lift Your name on high. Lord, I love to sing Your praises**

**I'm so glad You're in my life. I'm so glad You came to save us**

**You came from heaven to earth to show the way**

**From the earth to the cross my debt to pay**

**From the cross to the grave from the grave to the sky**

**Lord, I lift Your name on high**

### **\*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.**

### **\*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**

*O God of glory,*

**your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

**1 Peter 4:12-17; 5:6-11**

*(Pew Bible pg 936)*

*Dear friends, don't be surprised at the fiery trials you are going through, as if something strange were happening to you. Instead, be very glad—for these trials make you partners with Christ in his suffering, so that you will have the wonderful joy of seeing his glory when it is revealed to all the world.*

*If you are insulted because you bear the name of Christ, you will be blessed, for the glorious Spirit of God rests upon you. If you suffer, however, it must not be for murder, stealing, making trouble, or prying into other people's affairs. But it is no shame to suffer for being a Christian. Praise God for the privilege of being called by his name! For the time has come for judgment, and it must begin with God's household. And if judgment begins with us, what terrible fate awaits those who have never obeyed God's Good News?*

*So humble yourselves under the mighty power of God, and at the right time he will lift you up in honor. Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you.*

*Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour. Stand firm against him, and be strong in your faith. Remember that your family of believers all over the world is going through the same kind of suffering you are.*

*In his kindness God called you to share in his eternal glory by means of Christ Jesus. So after you have suffered a little while, he will restore, support, and strengthen you, and he will place you on a firm foundation. All power to him forever! Amen.*

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

## RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35

*Please join me in reading our Psalm responsively.*

*Let God arise, and let God's enemies be scattered; let those who hate God flee.*

**As smoke is driven away, so you should drive them away; as the wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.**

*But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; let them also be merry and joyful.*

**Sing to God, sing praises to God's name; exalt the one who rides the clouds; I AM is that name, rejoice before God!**

*In your holy habitation, O God, you are a father to orphans, defender of widows;*

**you give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners into freedom; but the rebels shall live in desert places.**

*O God, when you went forth before your people, when you marched through the wilderness,*

**the earth quaked, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.**

*You sent a bountiful rain, O God; you restored your inheritance when it languished.*

**Your people found their home in it; in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.**

*Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord.*

**You ride in the heavens, O God, in the ancient heavens; you send forth your voice, your mighty voice.**

*Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is in the skies.*

**How wonderful you are in your holy places, O God of Israel, giving strength and power to your people! Blessed be God!**

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

## SCRIPTURE READING (Pastor Hans will read)

John 17:1-11

*(Pew Bible pg 825)*

*After saying all these things, Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son so he can give glory back to you. For you have given him authority over everyone. He gives eternal life to each one you have given him. And this is the way to have eternal life—to know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, the one you sent to earth. I brought glory to you here on earth by completing the work you gave me to do. Now, Father, bring me into the glory we shared before the world began.*

*"I have revealed you to the ones you gave me from this world. They were always yours. You gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything I have is a gift from you, for I have passed on to them the message you gave me. They accepted it and know that I came from you, and they believe you sent me.*

*"My prayer is not for the world, but for those you have given me, because they belong to you. All who are mine belong to you, and you have given them to me, so they bring me glory. Now I am departing from the world; they are staying in this world, but I am coming to you. Holy Father, you have given me your name; now protect them by the power of your name so that they will be united just as we are.*

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

## SERMON

Pastor Hans Sacrison

## SONG OF THE DAY

Rise Up, O Saints of God

ELW 669

**Vs 1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain ambitions turn;  
Christ rose triumphant that your hearts with nobler zeal might burn.**

**Vs 2 Speak out, O saints of God! Despair engulfs earth's frame;  
as heirs of God's baptismal grace, the word of hope proclaim.**

*Vs 3* Rise up, O saints of God! The kingdom's task embrace;  
redress sin's cruel consequence; give justice larger place.

*Vs 4* Give heed, O saints of God!  
Creation cries in pain; stretch forth your hand of healing now, with love the weak sustain.

*Vs 5* Commit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;  
and, quickened by the Spirit's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

## **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.

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*The peace of Christ be with you all. And also with you.  
Let us stand and share a sign of God's peace with one another.*

**(9 am) OFFERING**                      **Pastor hands our offering plates**

*Let us gather together our offering. Thank you for the generous way you support the mission and ministry of this congregation with you time, talents and resources.*

**(9 am) OFFERTORY**

**Woodland Meditation**

**Roy E. Nolte**

*Please rise in body or in spirit*

**\*(9 am) OFFERING RESPONSE**    **Pastor receives offering plates**

**Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

**ELW 885**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

**\*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.**

*Please be seated*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*Merciful God, receive our prayer.*

*Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.*

*A brief silence.*

*O God, your people sing praises throughout the church. By your Holy Spirit, inspire musicians, deacons, pastors, and bishops to proclaim the gospel of Jesus. Merciful God,*  
**receive our prayer.**

*Your creative power fills the universe. Bring rain and favorable weather, nurture plants and animals, protect us from natural disasters, and guide us to care for all you have made. Merciful God,*  
**receive our prayer.**

*Your justice is exercised in society by those in authority. Instill in political leaders, business leaders, school administrators, and all who care for others a desire for peace and equity. Merciful God,*  
**receive our prayer.**

*Your compassion and care come through the gifts of medicine and relationships. Soothe the anxious, protect widows and orphans, comfort those living with memory loss and their families, and heal the sick (especially). Merciful God,*  
**receive our prayer.**

*Your love radiates from communities gathered in your name. Bless those experiencing significant transitions in life such as graduation, retirement, new employment, the end of another school year and accompany us in our prayers during these times. Merciful God,*  
**receive our prayer.**

*O God, your promise of eternal life is certain and sure. Inspire us by the steadfast faith of those who have gone before us, so that we may be confident in the assurances you give. Merciful God,*  
**receive our prayer.**

*God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior who taught us to pray...*

**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.**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*SENDING SONG**

**Let All Things Now Living**

**ELW 881**

**Vs 1 Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God the creator triumphantly raise, who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, who still guides us on to the end of our days. God's banners are o'er us, God's light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night, till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished, as forward we travel from light into light.**

**Vs 2 God rules all the forces: the stars in their courses and sun in its orbit obediently shine; the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains, the deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine. We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing; with glad adoration a song let us raise till all things now living unite in thanksgiving: "To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"**

**\*DISMISSAL**

*Go in peace to see, grow and serve to the glory of God.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**(9 am) POSTLUDE**

**Lead On, O King Eternal**

**Gregg Sewell**

*\*Please stand in body or spirit.*

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

**Saturday & Sunday, May 16 & 17**

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

Assistant Minister:

Reader: Barb Nelson

Slides: Paisley Mertes/Butch Bowman

Streaming: Jennifer Haar

Ushers/Greeters: Matthew Team