

South Canyon Lutheran Church

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"Home of Friend-Ship Preschool"

June 6 & 7, 2026

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

5:30 pm & 9:00 am

**we are
chosen**

Colossians 3:12-14

Welcome to Worship

(9 am) PRELUDE

By Still Waters

Esther S. Higgins

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

(9 am) MINISTRY MOMENT

SunCatcher Therapeutic Riding Academy

**Taylor Mowery
Executive Director**

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 the Triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

***GATHERING SONG**

Shout to the Lord

ELW 821

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you.

All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength;

let ev'ry breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing power and majesty, praise to the King.

Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name.

I sing for joy at the work of your hands; forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.

Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

***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.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

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**

Good and gracious, God,

We are chosen to show kindness through acts of love, big and small. Allow us to be kind to all people and creation, especially when we struggle with judging whether someone deserves our kindness or Your kindness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Please be seated.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Kings 17:8-16
(Pew Bible pg 275)

Then the LORD said to Elijah, "Go and live in the village of Zarephath, near the city of Sidon. I have instructed a widow there to feed you." So he went to Zarephath. As he arrived at the gates of the village, he saw a widow gathering sticks, and he asked her, "Would you please bring me a little water in a cup?" As she was going to get it, he called to her, "Bring me a bite of bread, too." But she said, "I swear by the LORD your God that I don't have a single piece of bread in the house. And I have only a handful of flour left in the jar and a little cooking oil in the bottom of the jug. I was just gathering a few sticks to cook this last meal, and then my son and I will die."

But Elijah said to her, "Don't be afraid! Go ahead and do just what you've said, but make a little bread for me first. Then use what's left to prepare a meal for yourself and your son. For this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: There will always be flour and olive oil left in your containers until the time when the LORD sends rain and the crops grow again!" So she did as Elijah said, and she and Elijah and her family continued to eat for many days. There was always enough flour and olive oil left in the containers, just as the LORD had promised through Elijah.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 145

Please join me in reading our Psalm responsively.

I will exalt you, my God and King, and praise your name forever and ever. I will praise you every day; yes, I will praise you forever.

Great is the Lord! He is most worthy of praise! No one can measure his greatness.

Let each generation tell its children of your mighty acts; let them proclaim your power.

I will meditate on your majestic, glorious splendor and your wonderful miracles.

Your awe-inspiring deeds will be on every tongue; I will proclaim your greatness. Everyone will share the story of your wonderful goodness; they will sing with joy about your righteousness.

The Lord is merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love.

The Lord is good to everyone. He showers compassion on all his creation.

All of your works will thank you, Lord, and your faithful followers will praise you.

They will speak of the glory of your kingdom; they will give examples of your power. They will tell about your mighty deeds and about the majesty and glory of your reign.

For your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom. You rule throughout all generations. The Lord always keeps his promises; he is gracious in all he does.

The Lord helps the fallen and lifts those bent beneath their loads.

The eyes of all look to you in hope; you give them their food as they need it. When you open your hand, you satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.

The Lord is righteous in everything he does; he is filled with kindness.

The Lord is close to all who call on him, yes, to all who call on him in truth. He grants the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cries for help and rescues them.

The Lord protects all those who love him, but he destroys the wicked.

I will praise the Lord, and may everyone on earth bless his holy name forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE READING (Pastor Deb will read)

Galatians 5:22-26

(Pew Bible pg 893)

But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things! Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to his cross and crucified them there. Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives. Let us not become conceited, or provoke one another, or be jealous of one another.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

(9 am) GIZZY TIME WITH FRIENDS

SERMON

"We are Chosen for Kindness"

Pastor Deb Grismer

SONG OF THE DAY

Although I Speak with Angel's Tongue

ELW 644

Vs 1 **Although I speak with angel's tongue, my faith, my knowledge all surpass,
but have no love, my gifts are vain as clanging gong or blaring brass.**

Vs 2 **For love is patient, love is kind, and never vain with boasting pride;
love bears all things, all things endures. All things must end; love will abide.**

Vs 3 **For now we peer at darkened glass; our visions end; our tongues all cease.
In part we know, in part now see: then we will see love face to face.**

Vs 4 **The gifts are many, the Body one, and into one are all baptized.
Beloved, share one heart, one mind, one hope, one faith, one love in Christ.**

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

Special Music by Todd Schultz and Ellen Shirley

God of the Ages, Pepper Choplin

Lorenz Publishing, 2008

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

HYMN Lord, Listen to Your Children

ELW 752

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN Lord, Listen to Your Children

ELW 752

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

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**

Beloved, God's Chosen

ELW 648

Vs 1 Beloved, God's chosen, put on as a garment

**compassion, forgiveness, and goodness of heart. Above all, before all,
let love be your raiment that binds into one every dissonant part.**

Vs 2 Within, call forth Wisdom, to dwell in you richly;

let peace rule your hearts, and that peace be of Christ.

And from the heart's chamber, beloved and holy,

let singing thanksgiving to God ever rise.

**Vs 3 Beloved, God's chosen, put on as a garment
compassion, forgiveness, and goodness of heart. Above all, before all,
let love be your raiment that binds into one ev'ry dissonant part.**

***DISMISSAL**

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

Thanks be to God.

(9 am) POSTLUDE

Celebration

Robert J. Hughes

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

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Thank you to our worship servers for your ministry.

Saturday & Sunday, June 6 & 7

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

Assistant Minister: Jona Hagen

Reader: Joe Bodeson

Slides: Owen Mertes/Butch Bowman

Streaming: Jennifer Haar

Ushers/Greeters: Mark Team