

South Canyon Lutheran Church

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"Home of Friend-Ship Preschool"

July 11 & 12, 2026

7th Sunday after Pentecost

5:30 pm & 9:00 am



Welcome to Worship

(9 am) PRELUDE

Quietness

Susan Crouse

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

(9am) MINISTRY MOMENT

Showered With Hope

Ted Hayward & Kara Nesbitt

Please rise in body or spirit

***INVOCATION**

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

***GATHERING SONG**

Come, We That Love the Lord

ELW 625 1, 3, 4

Vs 1 **Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
join in a song with sweet accord, join in a song with sweet accord
and thus surround the throne, and thus surround the throne.**

Refrain **We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion:
we're marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.**

Vs 3 **The hill of Zion yields a thousand sacred sweets
before we reach the heav'nly fields, before we reach the heav'nly fields,
or walk the golden streets, or walk the golden streets. Refrain**

Vs 4 **Then let our songs abound, and ev'ry tear be dry;
we're marching through Immanuel's ground, we're marching through Immanuel's ground,
to fairer worlds on high, to fairer worlds on high. Refrain**

***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, our guide and help in alien and contentious places:

as Esther prayed faithfully and worked courageously for the deliverance of your people, strengthen us to confront the oppressor and free the oppressed, so that all people may know the justice and unity of your realm. Amen.

Please be seated.

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 27

Please join me in reading the Psalm responsively

The LORD is my light and my salvation—so why should I be afraid? The LORD is my fortress, protecting me from danger, so why should I tremble?

When evil people come to devour me, when my enemies and foes attack me, they will stumble and fall. Though a mighty army surrounds me, my heart will not be afraid. Even if I am attacked, I will remain confident.

The one thing I ask of the LORD—the thing I seek most—is to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, delighting in the LORD’s perfections and meditating in his Temple.

For he will conceal me there when troubles come; he will hide me in his sanctuary. He will place me out of reach on a high rock.

Then I will hold my head high above my enemies who surround me. At his sanctuary I will offer sacrifices with shouts of joy, singing and praising the LORD with music.

Hear me as I pray, O LORD. Be merciful and answer me! My heart has heard you say, “Come and talk with me.” And my heart responds, “LORD, I am coming.”

Do not turn your back on me. Do not reject your servant in anger. You have always been my helper. Don’t leave me now; don’t abandon me, O God of my salvation!

Even if my father and mother abandon me, the LORD will hold me close.

Teach me how to live, O LORD. Lead me along the right path, for my enemies are waiting for me.

Do not let me fall into their hands. For they accuse me of things I’ve never done; with every breath they threaten me with violence.

Yet I am confident I will see the LORD’s goodness while I am here in the land of the living.

Wait patiently for the LORD. Be brave and courageous. Yes, wait patiently for the LORD.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE READING

Passages from Esther

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

(9 am) GIZZY TIME WITH FRIENDS

SERMON

“I Can Be Brave”

Pastor Deb Grismer

HYMN OF THE DAY

I Know that My Redeemer Lives!

ELW 619 1, 4, 5

**Vs 1 I know that my Redeemer lives! What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead; he lives, my ever-living head!**

**Vs 4 He lives to silence all my fears; he lives to wipe away my tears;
he lives to calm my troubled heart; he lives all blessings to impart.**

Vs 5 He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to plead for me above;
he lives my hungry soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.

APOSTLES' CREED

Journeying together in trust and hope, let us confess our faith in 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.

Pastor Deb will gather prayer requests before singing.

HYMN Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying **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 Praying **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.

***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 Assisting Minister hands out offering plates

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

(9 am) OFFERTORY Lovest Thou Me **William Gaither**

Please rise in body or in spirit

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

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

ELW 512

Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone away. When my heart is cold, warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way. Lord, let my heart,

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray

Holy God, gracious and merciful,

you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW pg 107

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW pg 108

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

ELW pg 108

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach 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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

HYMN

Lamb of God

ELW pg 112

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.**

POST COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

ELW pg 114

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, bless you and keep you in his grace. Amen

Let us pray...

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING SONG**

Blessed Assurance

ELW 638 1, 3

Vs 1 **Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.**

Refrain **This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.**

Vs 3 **Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. Refrain**

***DISMISSAL**

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

Thanks be to God.

(9 am) POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune

Gordon Young

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

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Saturday/Sunday, July 11 & 12

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Assisting Minister: Desyl Peterson

Reader: Robin Cox

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

Streaming: Jennifer Haar

Ushers/Greeters: Luke Team

Communion: Altar Care Team