



Sermon series on God showing up in the lonely, difficult, and everyday places.

"Simeon and Anna"

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

2001 Second Street NW • Watertown, South Dakota 57201

"To God's holy people ... faithful brothers and sisters in Christ: Grace and peace to you from God our Father" (Colossians 1:2, NIV). Welcome to worship!

There are welcome pads at the end of each pew; please sign your name and pass it along.

Sunday, July 22, 2018, 10:30am

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

"Blessed Assurance" (arr. Ritter & Parks)

Welcome

Mission Opportunities and Sharing of the Peace

*Invocation, Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love. **Amen.**

Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Eternal God our creator,

in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires.

By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God ☩ forgives you all your sins. **Amen.**

*Opening Hymn

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

vs. 1, 3, 5 # 883

*Greeting and Kyrie

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*Canticle of Praise

"Glory to God"

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*Prayer of the Day

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Baptismal Hymn

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

vs. 1, 2 #781

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Karley Rae Larson, daughter of Corey Larson and Julie Larson

Sponsor: Elizabeth Eckes

Jacey MaeRose Larson, daughter of Corey Larson and Julie Larson

Sponsor: Elizabeth Eckes

Caleb Marlan Larson, son of Corey Larson and Tracy Schulte

Sponsor: Michaela Schulte and Logan Svatos

Children's Sermon

*Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia"

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*Gospel

Luke 2:22-38

²²When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), ²⁴and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."²⁵Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. ²⁶It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, ²⁸Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, ²⁹"Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; ³⁰for my eyes have seen your salvation, ³¹which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, ³²a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."³³And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed — and a sword will pierce your own soul too."³⁶There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, ³⁷then as a widow to the age of eighty- four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"I Have Seen the Lord in Anticipation"

Pastor Dan Ofstehage

Hymn

"In His Temple Now Behold Him"

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Offering

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" (arr. Smith)

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*Offertory Response

"Create in Me"

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*Prayers of the Church

Hospitalized/ill: Annette Gugel, Vera Sunne, Kathy Hibbert,

Laurel Storbakken, Drake Rounds, Carol VanHeel,

Kathy Carstens, Stan Peterson,

Barb Iverson, friend of Ken & Renae Madison

Jim Wiggs, brother of Chala (Tom) lechner

Cheryl Olson, sister of Marshall (Tiffany) Olson

Sheri Bowersox, daughter of Phyllis Bowersox

Joshua Anderson, grandson of Merle & Teri Bruner

*The Lord's Prayer

*Benediction

*Sending Hymn

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

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*Call to Service

Pastor: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Sing to the Lord! (Smith)

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Serving Sunday Morning

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[The Woman at the Well] John 4:1-30, 39-42