



St. Luke's Lutheran Church



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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

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FIRST SUNDAY LENT

(Series B)

WELCOME

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, office@stlukesmanhattan.org, or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

AS WE GATHER

We focus today our attention on the Gospel reading from Mark 1, where Jesus is baptized and then sent into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. In our lives, we face temptations just as Jesus faced. Just as Jesus can remember His Baptism and the Father's words to Him, "You are My beloved Son," so too when Satan tempts us, we remember our Baptism. We remember the Father's words to us that we are His beloved children, that we are forgiven in Jesus.

IMAGE ON THE COVER

Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. *Ephesians 6:11*

PRELUDE

(Please use this time to prayerfully prepare your hearts to enter into the presence of Jesus.)

✠A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE✠

WELCOME

PRESERVICE SONG – Special Music
A Joyful Sound
“May Your Roots Go Deep”

Stand

The sign of the cross ✙ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✙ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

P It was in this triune name of God that we were baptized—

C the name of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

P As we begin our Lenten journey, we remember our Baptism.

C We remember we were washed and forgiven.

P We remember we were made members of God’s family.

C We remember we were united with Jesus.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Though we are baptized and united with Jesus, we often act as if we were separated from Jesus. There are times when we fall prey to Satan and his temptations. There are times when sin reigns within us. Still, our heavenly Father is merciful, and He invites us to draw near to Him in repentance, asking for forgiveness.

Silence for reflection.

P Heavenly Father,
C **we have ignored Your help in resisting Satan and His temptations. We have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. Yet our entire lives are lives of repentance. Have mercy on us. Forgive our sins, and lead us in righteousness, on account of Jesus. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son, Jesus Christ, to endure temptation, suffering, and death for us and our salvation. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen. We are forgiven. We are baptized into Christ.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, You endured the temptations of Satan in the wilderness. Be present with us on our Lenten journey toward the cross and empty tomb, always mindful of our identity as those baptized in Your name, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

OPENING SONG – “Who Am I”

- 1 Who am I, that the Lord of all the earth
 Would care to know my name, would care to feel my hurt
 Who am I, that the bright and morning star
 Would choose to light the way for my ever wandering heart
- 2, 5, 7 Not because of who I am, but because of what You’ve done
 Not because of what I’ve done, but because of who You are
- 3, 6, 8 I am a flower quickly fading, here today and gone tomorrow
 A wave tossed in the ocean, a vapor in the wind
 Still You hear me when I’m calling
 Lord, You catch me when I’m falling
 And You’ve told me who I am, I am Yours, I am Yours
- 4 Who am I, that the eyes that see my sin
 Would look on me with love and watch me rise again
 Who am I, that the voice that calmed the sea
 Would call out through the rain and calm the storm in me
- 9, 10 Whom shall I fear, whom shall I fear, I am Yours
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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 22:1-18

(God spares Isaac.)

¹After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ²He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." ⁶And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

⁹When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ¹²He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." ¹³And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

¹⁵And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven ¹⁶and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son,

¹⁷I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, ¹⁸and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Hebrews 12:2

L O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,
the founder and perfecter of our faith

C **who for the joy that was set before Him
endured the cross, despising the shame,
and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**

EPISTLE

James 1:12-18

(Every good and perfect gift comes from God.)

¹²Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. ¹³Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am being tempted by God,” for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

¹⁶Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

VERSE

Ephesians 6:11

- P** Put on the whole armor of God,
C that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:9-15

(Jesus is baptized, tempted, and begins His ministry.)

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

¹²The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵and saying, "*The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.*"

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

LAMB'S MESSAGE

SERMON

VOTUM

- P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C** Amen.

OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. **A basket** is available in the narthex as you exit.
2. Please **send** your offerings to
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
4801 Anderson Avenue
Manhattan, KS 66503
3. Give through our **website**:
<https://stlukesmanhattan.org/about-us/financial-support/>
4. **Electronic Funds Transfer** - Sign up through the church office.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: Mark 1:13 – “And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.” God the Father cares for Jesus even in the midst of His temptation in the wilderness. God cares for us in every situation as well. Jesus realized this and always acted from the basis of trust in God the Father's provision. This is likewise the basis for our life lived in Christ: God cares for us, so we need not act out of fear or greed.

OFFERTORY - “Draw Me Into Your Presence” Psalm 16:11

- 1, 3, 5 Draw me into Your presence, draw me into Your presence
Draw me into Your presence, I want to know You
For there's life in Your presence, yes, there's life in Your presence
There is life in Your presence, I want to know You
- 2, 4 Where else can I go? Where else can I hide?
Only in Your presence, Lord, can I find peace of mind
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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord God, You are our sword and shield against the attacks of Satan. As we journey through this Lenten season, protect us from the assaults of the devil, remind us of our Baptism, and keep our eyes fixed on Jesus. For a mighty fortress is our God,

C a sword and shield victorious.

P Lord God, every good and perfect gift comes from You. Thank You for the many blessings You have poured into our lives. Help us to accept what You give and ask for what we need. Protect us from a life of perpetual dissatisfaction and lead us toward a life of gratitude. For a mighty fortress is our God,

C a sword and shield victorious.

P Lord God, You sent Jesus into our world to bear our temptations and share in our sorrows. Bring Your comfort to all those who are suffering in grief, [*especially . . .*]. Point them to the hope of resurrection and eternal life with You. For a mighty fortress is our God,

C a sword and shield victorious.

P Lord God, we pray for all those who are not yet baptized into Christ, that the Spirit would lead them toward the promises of Baptism and the family of the church. For a mighty fortress is our God,

C a sword and shield victorious.

P Lord God, we pray for our nation and its leaders. For President Biden and Vice President Harris and their staffs, for Congress and all lawmakers, for the Supreme Court and all judges. We pray that You, Lord, would make Your ways and paths known to them, that You would lead them in the truth and teach them. For a mighty fortress is our God,

C a sword and shield victorious.

- P** Lord God, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering, [*especially . . .*]. Have mercy upon them and restore them to health according to Your will. For a mighty fortress is our God,
- C** **a sword and shield victorious.**
- P** Lord God, we commend all of these people and situations into Your hands, for You have promised to hear our prayers, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

LORD'S PRAYER

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and each us to pray:
- C** **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.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an elder. For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first. They then distribute the body and blood of Christ to those in the pews who are unable to come forward, and then finally to those who come forward.

Distribution and dismissal will be done by half tables.

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

“It is Well with My Soul” Philippians 4:6

- 1 When peace, like a river, attendeth my way
 When sorrows like sea-billows roll
 Whatever my lot Thou hast taught me to say
 “It is well, it is well with my soul.”
 It is well with my soul
 It is well, it is well with my soul

- 2 My sin, O, the bliss of this glorious thought
 My sin not in part, but the whole
 Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul
 It is well with my soul
 It is well, it is well with my soul

- 3 And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight
 The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
 The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend
 Even so it is well with my soul
 It is well with my soul
 It is well, it is well with my soul
 It is well with my soul
 It is well, it is well with my soul
 It is well, it is well with my soul

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“In My Heart” Ephesians 3:14-15

1 In my heart, I’m down on my knees
In my heart, I’m down on my knees
Right where I am, as best I can
In my heart, I’m down on my knees

2 In my heart, I bow down to You
In my heart, I bow down to You
Right where I am, as best I can
In my heart, I bow down to You

3 In my heart, I’m worshiping You
In my heart, I’m worshiping You
Right where I am, as best I can
In my heart, I’m worshiping You
Right where I am, as best I can
In my heart, I’m worshiping You

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Stand

POST COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

GREET ONE ANOTHER

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, “The Lord be with you,”
“Peace be with you,” or “The peace of the Lord be with you”.*

CLOSING SONG - “You’re Worthy of My Praise”

- 1 I will worship (I will worship)
With all of my heart (With all of my heart)
And I will praise You (I will praise You)
With all of my strength (All my strength)
I will seek You (I will seek You)
All of my days (All of my days)
I will follow (I will follow)
Follow all of Your ways (All Your ways)
- 2, 4, 5, 6 I will give You all my worship
I will give You all my praise
You alone I long to worship
You alone are worthy of my praise
- 3 I will bow down (I will bow down)
And hail You as King (Hail You as King)
I will serve you (I will serve You)
Give You everything (everything)
I will lift up (I will lift up)
My eyes to Your throne (My eyes to Your throne)
And I will trust You (I will trust You)
I will trust You alone (Trust in You alone)

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