



FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

*"Raising Up
Families and Followers
of Jesus Christ"*

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Traditional – 8:30 am

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The First Sunday in Lent
March 1, 2020
8:30 am



FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
Jesus Faces Temptation

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PRELUDE - *Samantha Currall*

AS WE GATHER

Today is the First Sunday in Lent as we make our annual journey with Christ to the cross. Though the Sundays in Lent are not technically part of this somber season, they do reflect the same penitential theme that characterizes our forty days of prayerful devotion and repentance. Today we watch as Jesus faces the slick lies of the tempter. He does not face them on His own but in the strength and power of God's Word and truth. When the devil hands Jesus the opportunity to doubt or fear or deny Himself and His Father in heaven, Jesus responds with the stronger Word. He does this not to prove Himself, but for us, that we who live in Him by Baptism and faith may also be made strong in the Word of the Lord before the devil's wiles and lies.

† PREPARATION †

HYMN **"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"** *LSB 657*

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalm 32:5; Philippians 1:6*

Pastor: I acknowledged my sin to You,

People: **and I did not cover my iniquity;**

Pastor: I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"

People: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for meditation and reflection

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father:

People: **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,**

People: to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being. Forgive me all my sins and grant me the power of Your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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.

People: Amen.

Pastor: May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

KYRIE “Lord Have Mercy” (*p. 186 in hymnal*)

People: Lord, have mer-cy upon us.
Christ have mer-cy upon us.
Lord have mercy upon us

† WORD †

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

HYMN “Lamb of God” *LSB 550*

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DAY

Pastor: Today is the First Sunday in Lent. The color has changed to purple, signifying sorrow and repentance. Our focus is on the cross, where our Lenten journey will lead us. From Genesis we hear how sin entered the world and took us captive to death. Paul describes the consequences of the fall and the reign of sin since Adam in the Epistle from Romans. In the Gospel, we hear how Jesus was tempted by Satan in the wilderness.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 3:1–21 (The sin of our first parents stole us from God and left us captive to death.)

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.

He said to the woman, “Did God actually say, ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden’?”

² And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, ³ but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.’” ⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die.

⁵ For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” ⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate.

⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

⁸ And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” ¹⁰ And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.” ¹¹ He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” ¹² The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.” ¹³ Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

¹⁴ The LORD God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵ I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.”

¹⁶ To the woman he said, “I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be contrary to your husband, but he shall rule over you.”

¹⁷ And to Adam he said, “Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, ‘You shall not eat of it,’ cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life;

¹⁸ thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. ¹⁹ By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

²⁰ The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. ²¹ And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE *Romans 5:12–19* (Paul describes the poisoned fruits of the fall and the grace born of the obedience, suffering, and death of our Lord Jesus.)

¹² Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— ¹³ for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. ¹⁴ Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵ But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. ¹⁶ And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. ¹⁷ For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

¹⁸ Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. ¹⁹ For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 4:1–11* (Our Lord is tempted by Satan in the wilderness.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ² And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. ³ And the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” ⁴ But he answered, “It is written, “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.”

⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple ⁶ and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, “He will command his angels concerning you,”

And “On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.”

⁷ Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹ And he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.”

¹⁰ Then Jesus said to him, “Be gone, Satan! For it is written, “‘You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.’” ¹¹ Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN “In Adam We Have All Been One” LSB 569

SERMON *(see insert)*

CREED *Nicene Creed*

People: 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.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Hear Your people, O Lord, who cry to You on behalf of all people in need and through the blessed name of Jesus.
That in the face of temptation and trial, we stand firm in the strength of the Lord, who was tempted like us, yet did not sin, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: That we not be distracted by the voice of the devil and the allure of the world but remember Christ's Baptism into sin for us and our Baptism into Christ, clothing us with forgiveness, holiness, and righteousness, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: That all who suffer be relieved, those who are sick be healed, the dying be comforted, and the grieving endure in hope through the resurrection of our Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: That we be a people of generous hearts, sharing what we have with those in need and supporting the work of the Kingdom near and far, that many be brought to know Jesus Christ through the witness of His Word and Spirit, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: That we be slow to judge others and quick to forgive in Christ's name, that we bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the call to love one another, and that we regularly offer prayers, supplications, and intercessions for all as they have need, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: That the Lord grant to us peace and a quieted heart, released from the fears that would deprive us of His joy, and that we show forth in our lives together the strong unity of faith and confession, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves, those on whose behalf we have prayed, and for all those in any need, trusting that Your mercy will supply us all things needful and keep from us all things harmful, through Jesus Christ.

People: **Lord, have mercy. Amen.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY “Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God” *(p.192 in hymnal)*

People: **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

† SACRAMENT †

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. *[Colossians 3:1]*

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *[Psalm 136]*

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, who on the tree of the cross did give salvation unto mankind that, whence death arose, thence life might rise again; and that he who by a tree once overcame might likewise by a tree be overcome;

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, through whom with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS “Holy, Holy, Holy” *(p.195 in hymnal)*

People: **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav’n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD – The Small Catechism – The Sacrament of the Altar

Pastor: *What is the Sacrament of the Altar?*

People: **It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink.**

Pastor: *Where is this written?*

People: **The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul write: 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 the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*

People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.** *Revelation 22:20*

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER (*Matthew 6:9–13*)

People: **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.**

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
People: **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI “*Lamb of God*” (p. 198 in hymnal)

People: **O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS	“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent”	<i>LSB 561</i>
	“Lord Jesus Christ, We Humble Pray”	<i>LSB 623</i>
	“Glory Be to Jesus”	<i>LSB 433</i>

POST COMMUNION HYMN “On My Heart Imprint Your Image” *LSB 422*

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, through Your Son You have promised us forgiveness of sins and everlasting life. Govern our hearts by Your Holy Spirit that in our daily need, and especially in all time of temptation, we seek Your help and, by a true and lively faith in Your Word, obtain all that You have promised, remembering all that our Savior accomplished for us that we not be alone or without the refuge of Your grace in time of test or trial; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.
People: **Amen.**

BENEDICAMUS

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: 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.
People: **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING HYMN “O Lord, throughout These Forty Days” LSB 418 vs. 1,4

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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