



First Sunday in Lent
March 4-5, 2017
St. John's Lutheran Church
Red Bud, Illinois



THE PRELUDE: "Caithness"

setting by J. Wayne Kerr

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN – 418 "O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days"

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (*Please stand if you are able*)

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

P In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C 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, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen.**

We share God's peace with and greet one another.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT: Psalm 91



When he / calls to Me,

I will / ans - wer him;

I will be with him in | trouble;

With long life I will sat- | isfy him

Because you have made the LORD your | dwelling place—

no evil shall be allowed to be- | fall you,

He will command His angels con- | cerning you to guard you in | all your ways.

On their hands they will | bear you up,

You will tread on the lion and the | adder;

the young lion and the serpent you will trample | underfoot.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son

as it was in the be- | ginning,

When he / calls to Me,

I will be with him in | trouble;

With long life I will sat- | isfy him

I will rescue him and | honor him.

and show him My sal- | vation.

the Most High, who is my | refuge—

no plague come | near your tent.

lest you strike your foot a- | gainst a stone.

and to the Holy | Spirit;

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

I will / ans - wer him;

I will rescue him and | honor him.

and show him My sal- | vation.

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☐ Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P 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. Amen. (please be seated)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Genesis 3:1-21

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?’” And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden,

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.’”

But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” 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. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

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.

But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” And he said, “I heard the sound of You in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.” He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” The man said, “The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.” 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.”

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. 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.”

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

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; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. 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.” The man called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL

A: O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

C: the founder and perfecter of our faith,

A: who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame,

C: and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

THE EPISTLE READING: Romans 5:12-19

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—for sin indeed was in the world before the law was

given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. 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. 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. 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. 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. Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. 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.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN OF THE DAY – 424 “O Christ, You Walked the Road”
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(please stand if you are able)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11

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

C **Glorify to You, O Lord.**

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

Then the devil took Him to the holy city and set Him on the pinnacle of the temple 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.”” Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

Again, the devil took Him to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. And he said to Him, “All these I will give You, if You will fall down and worship me.” 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.”” Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to Him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

(please be seated)

(10:30 a.m.) CHILDREN’S MESSAGE SONG

**Let me learn of Jesus; He is kind to me; Once He died to save me, Nailed upon the tree.
Let me think of Jesus; He is full of love, Looking down upon me From His throne above.
Oh, how good is Jesus! May He hold my hand And at last receive me To a better land.**

SERMON: Matthew 4:1-11

Pastor: Most gracious Father: May the words of my mouth,

People: and the meditation of our hearts,

All: be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer. Amen (Psalm 19:14)

(please stand if able) **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

(Each petition ends, “Lord, in Your mercy,” and we respond, “**hear our prayer.**”)

HEALING AND COMFORT: Harry Peters, Dorothy Heinemeyer, Nina Guebert, H. Edward Liefer, Melba Liefer, Alvin Moller, C. John Prigge, Fred Buch, Omar Koester, Cindy Nebel, Susan Luttmann, Peggy Sitzes; *Family and Friends of St. John’s Members:* Brenda Manning, Stephanie Jones, Debbie Kezely, Bob Stirnaman, Debra Weimer, Terry Heller, Steve Herriman, Bobby Wood, Lori Voges, John Traube, Michael Yarbrough, Elaine Goetting, Randy Klausing, Harlan Burmester, Brian Ulione, Larry Berg, Max Wiatr, Ruth Sutley, Joyce Wirth, Marianne Hunt, Dan Huskey, Jamie Brandt, Jennifer Dominique. *Help us keep this list current!*

MILITARY: (Please call with the names to include in prayer.) Army- Nathan Koen, Jonathan Koen, Tim Healy, Christopher Dupertius, Thomas Goetting, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Casey Vallet, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Dustin Krack, Andy Pfeiffer, Austin Scheibe; Navy- Brad Koester, Carl Muehler; Air Force- Brian Hubbard, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich, Christina Cavan, Tanner Hackstadt, Ched Wagner; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Josh Butterworth, Courtney Kueker, Garrett Carnahan, Brent Knop
+those who mourn: the families of Genevieve Moeller and Leoma Heller
+our St. John’s school children, families and coaches attending Lutheran State tournament in Chicago
+those suffering from recent tornadoes especially remembering the Perryville area

(please be seated)

OFFERING: “Southwell”

setting by Theodore Beck

(The 10:30 a.m. service ends with the Lord’s Prayer, Closing Prayer, Benediction and Hymn 538.)

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

(please stand if you are able)

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.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

SANCTUS – “Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old” - LSB 960

I - sa - iah, might - y seer in days of old, The Lord of all in spir - it
did be - hold High on a loft - y throne, in splen - dor bright, With robes that
filled the tem - ple courts with light. A - bove the throne were flam - ing ser - a - phim;
Six wings had they, these mes - sen - gers of Him. With two they veiled their
fac - es as was right, With two they hum - bly hid their feet from sight,
And with the oth - er two a - loft they soared; One to the oth - er

called and praised the Lord: "Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sab - a - oth!

Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sab - a - oth! Ho - ly is God, the Lord of

Sab - a - oth! His glo - ry fills the heav - ens and the earth!" The beams and lin - tels

trem - bled at the cry, And clouds of smoke en - wrapped the throne on high.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

- 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.**
- P** In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

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."
- P** 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."

PAX DOMINI

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C. Amen**

AGNUS DEI – “Lamb of God, Pure and Holy” -LSB 434

**1 Lamb of God, pure and holy, Who on the cross didst suffer,
Ever patient and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer.
All sins Thou borest for us, Else had despair reigned o’er us:
Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus!**

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(please be seated)

<p>DISTRIBUTION HYMNS – 527 “O Savior, Precious Savior” 420 “Christ, the Life of All the Living” 632 “O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee”</p>
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(please stand if you are able)

<p>POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE – “O Lord, We Praise Thee” (LSB 617) stanza 1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee and adore Thee, In thanksgiving bow before Thee. Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish Our weak souls that they may flourish: O Lord, have mercy! May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary, That our sins and sorrows did carry, And Thy blood for us plead In all trial, fear, and need: O Lord, have mercy!</p>
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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- A Let us pray.
A 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**

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

- P Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.
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.**

<p>CLOSING HYMN – 538 “Praise Be to Christ”</p>
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THE POSTLUDE: “O Grosser Gott”

setting by Carl Schalk

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