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FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

February 21, 2021

SERVICE THEME:

Jesus Defeats the Devil

In Lent we see Jesus go to the cross to suffer and die for us. Today's lessons show that when God tests us and the devil tempts us (every day!) Jesus is our holiness before God. He is also our strength and our example. We do not live on bread alone, Jesus says. We live on God's promises. They come to us in holy baptism, in holy communion, and straight from the Bible the book in which every word is from the mouth of God.



HYMN

“Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”

Christian Worship #230



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, be pres - ent now; Our hearts in
2 Un - seal our lips to sing your praise; Our souls to
3 Un - til we join the hosts that cry, “Ho - san - na
4 Glo - ry to God the Fa - ther, Son, And Ho - ly



true de - vo - tion bow. Your Spir - it send with
you in wor - ship raise. Make strong our faith; in -
to the Lord most high.” Then in the light of
Spir - it, Three in One! To you, O bless - ed



grace di - vine, And let your truth with - in us shine.
crease our light That we may know your name a - right
that blest place We shall be - hold you face to face.
Trin - i - ty, Be praise through-out e - ter - ni - ty!

STAND

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

Congregation: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie*

Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy
on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us. A - men.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G minor (one flat). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics: "Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy". The second staff contains the melody for the second line of lyrics: "on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us. A - men." The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

GLORY TO GOD *Gloria in Excelsis*

Sing: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory!
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your one and only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us to believe what the Scriptures proclaim about him and do the things that are pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 22:1-18

1 Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!"

"Here I am," he replied.

2 Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, whom you love—Isaac—and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you."

3 Early the next morning Abraham got up and loaded his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about.

4 On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance.

5 He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you."

6 Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them went on together, **7** Isaac spoke up and said to his father Abraham, "Father?"

"Yes, my son?" Abraham replied.

"The fire and wood are here," Isaac said, "but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?"

8 Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together.

9 When they reached the place God had told him about, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. He bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. **10** Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. **11** But the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven,

"Abraham! Abraham!"

"Here I am," he replied.

12 "Do not lay a hand on the boy," he said.

"Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son."

13 Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son. **14** So Abraham called that place The LORD Will Provide. And to this day it is said, "On the mountain of the LORD it will be provided."

15 The angel of the LORD called to Abraham from heaven a second time

16 and said, "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, **17** I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies, **18** and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me."

Refrain

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Minister:

O LORD, do not rebuke me in your anger

Congregation:

or discipline me in your wrath.

Be merciful to me, LORD, for I am faint;

O LORD, heal me, for my soul is in anguish.

Turn, O LORD, and deliver me;

save me because of your unfailing love.

Refrain

I am worn out from groaning.

My eyes grow weak with sorrow.

Away from me, all you who do evil,

for the LORD has heard my weeping.

The LORD has heard my cry for mercy;

the LORD accepts my prayer.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:31-39

31 What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? **32** He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

33 Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. **34** Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. **35** Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? **36** As it is written:

“For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.”

37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. **38** For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, **39** neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Matthew 4:10b

It is written: “Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.”

GOSPEL

Mark 1:12-15

C: Glory be to you, O Lord!

12 At once the Spirit sent him out into the wilderness, **13** and he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and angels attended him.

14 After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God.

15 “The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

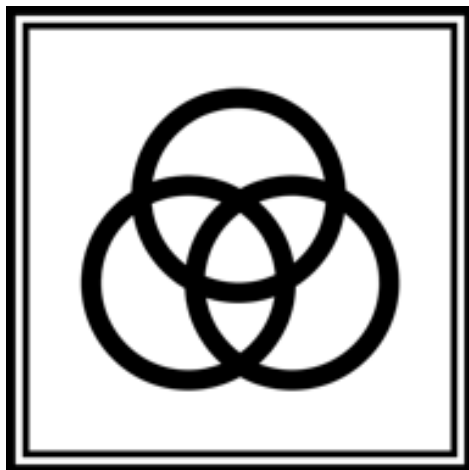
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

BE SEATED



HYMN OF THE DAY

“Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray”

Cantors s.1, Cong. ss. 2-4

Christian Worship #472



1 Rise, my soul, to watch and pray; From your sleep a -
2 Watch! Let not the wick - ed world With its lies de -
3 Watch a - gainst your - self, my soul, Lest with grace you
4 But while watch - ing al - so pray To the Lord un -



wak - en! Be not by the e - vil day Un - a -
feat you Lest with bold de - cep - tions hurled It be -
tri - fle; Let not self your thoughts con - trol Nor God's
ceas - ing. God pro - tects you day by day, Strength and



wares o'er - tak - en. For the foe, Well we know, Is a
tray and cheat you. Watch and see Lest there be Faith - less
mer - cy sti - fle. Pride and sin Lurk with - in, All your
faith in - creas - ing, So that still Mind and will Shall u -



har - vest reap - ing While the saints are sleep - ing.
friends to charm you Who but seek to harm you.
hopes to shat - ter; Heed not when they flat - ter.
nite to serve him And for - ev - er love him.

SERMON

1 Corinthians 10:12-13

“Christ Is Our Strength When We Are Tempted”

12 So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! 13 No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Heavenly Father, as we enter this Lenten season of repentance and renewed devotion, we pray that You would remember us according to Your steadfast love and goodness in Christ and instruct and lead us by Your Spirit in Your ways so that we may repent and believe the Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

M: Lord God, You placed the wood of the cross on the back of Your only begotten Son, that as the promised offspring of Abraham He might possess the gates of hell. Bless, we pray, His Church and all those called to preach and teach within her with the certainty that those gates cannot prevail against them, that in faith they may boldly trample every power of the enemy underfoot. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

M: Almighty God, preserve all children and their parents, and every Christian home from the assaults of the evil one. As Your Son overcame Satan in the desert by the Word of God, so also give us the victory through Christ and His Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

M: Father of lights, from whom every good and perfect gift comes down to us from above, keep us from being enticed by our own desires to misuse Your gifts in sin, and help us to use them rightly in service to You and our neighbor. Bless all our leaders, that we may be governed wisely and justly for the good of this present generation and all those to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

M: Most High God, our refuge in every trouble, You have promised to hear when we call to You. We pray that You would command Your angels to guard our brothers and sisters, and all those who suffer in our midst. Keep them from every evil that can befall the body, mind and soul. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

M: Lord God, the time is fulfilled and Your kingdom is at hand as Your beloved Son comes to us here at the altar. By Your Spirit, grant that we may receive Him in repentance and believe the Gospel proclaimed to us in His body given and His blood shed. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

M: Lord God, we remember with thanksgiving those before us whom You brought forth by the Word of truth who now live and reign in Your presence with Your Son. As You have also brought us forth by that Word in Baptism, we pray that You would bring us to full maturity by Your Word, that we, too, may be gathered with them to Your Son on the glorious harvest of the Last Day. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

M: All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom,
the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

THE SACRAMENT



PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: **It is good and right so to do.**

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my † body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my † blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **Amen.**

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD *Agnus Dei*

The musical score is written on seven staves of music. Each staff contains a line of lyrics. The lyrics are: "O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace. A - men. A - men." The music is in a simple, melodic style with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat.

DISTRIBUTION

THANKSGIVING

STAND

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures forever.

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this Holy Supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“I Am Trusting You, Lord Jesus”

Christian Worship #446

1 I am trust - ing you, Lord Je - sus, Trust -
 2 I am trust - ing you for par - don; At -
 3 I am trust - ing you for cleans - ing In
 4 I am trust - ing you to guide me; You
 5 I am trust - ing you for pow - er; You
 ing on - ly you, Trust - ing you for
 your feet I bow, For your grace and
 the crim - son flood, Trust - ing you who
 a - lone shall lead, Ev - 'ry day and
 can nev - er fail. Words which you your -
 full sal - va - tion, Free and true.
 ten - der mer - cy Trust - ing now.
 made me ho - ly By your blood.
 hour sup - ply - ing All my need.
 self shall give me Must pre - vail.

6 I am trusting you, Lord Jesus;
 Never let me fall.
 I am trusting you forever
 And for all.

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IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

- **Pastor Emeritus Ted Lambert and wife Sandy** will serve Christ the Rock and prayers through April 4th.
- **The family of Delfin Ulibarri**, comfort and care as they mourn Delfin
- **Christ the Rock** members and leaders as we transition our ministry and that the Lord would give us a faithful new pastor
- **Klaudia**, Andi's friend, facing health, financial and immigration (work visa) struggles. Klaudia has visited CtR several times and is currently teaching in Portales.
- **Terri Hayes**, prayers for comfort and healing from back pain
- **Vanessa Engh**, thankful for successful surgery, prayers for continued healing
- **Isabelle Hewey**, prayers for strength as she works with those affected by COVID-19 in the Shiprock area.
- **Domy Alire**, prayers for peace and understanding of why COVID-19 mandates keep family and friends from being with her while receiving care at the Gingerich House
- **Herdre Herrera**, comfort and strength for upcoming appointments and health
- **Louise Frank**, Herdre's mother was recently hospitalized
- **Dennis and Jane Bacon**, prayers for comfort, both hospitalized in Phoenix
- **Willie Mitchell**, health and care
- **Vinnie and Ben Henry**, continued strength and guidance
- **Gwen and Chuck Johnson**, friends of Aaron and Myra. Chuck has Stage 3 lung cancer
- **Ryan**, grandson of Jeff and Mona Blagg, thank God for continued healing progress
- **Mary and Martin**, mother and brother in-law of Ginger, both have cancer

God's People Respond to God's Grace

Worship Attendance: February 14: 22 **Sunday School:** 0 **Bible Study:** 16
Offering February 7: \$1,398 February 14: 881

February Ushers: Jesse Hanson, Tully Hayes

February Cleaning: **Team Leader, Robert Kinsel**, Engh, Hanson, Johnson, Kinsel/Newman, Largo, Schneiter

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Today at 4:00, Call Meeting

ASH WEDNESDAY POSTPONED to Wednesday, February 24, at 6:30. This Lenten season because of COVID we will have only one mid-week service, Ash Wednesday.

Adult Bible class at 9:15, Pastor Lambert will continue the study on *Forging Our Church into a Caring Community*. ***Please join us!***

Meet the Lamberts – Pastor Ted and Debra Lambert

Pastor Ted – born in northern Wisconsin; raised in LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

Graduated from WELS Seminary 1972.

Assigned to a new mission, Christ the King Lutheran Church, Bremerton, WA.

Served CtK for 42 years. Church now has 400 members with K-8 school of 115 students.

Offices: PNW District Evangelism Chairman; 1st VP, PNW District President (12 yrs).

Other: taught seminary 4x in Nigeria, covered church vacancy in Juneau, AK in 2017.

Retired: 2014; Moved to Yakima, WA in 2016.

Hobbies: golf, fishing, hunting, history, reading, travel, substitute preaching

Debra - raised on a farm near LaCrosse, Wisconsin

Technical College – secretarial training.

Office manager, US Naval Base Pass & ID, High School secretary,
Timber Co. sec.

Hobbies: family advisor; internet shopper, reading, cooking, decorating

The Lamberts have two married sons and three grandchildren, all live in eastern WA State.

Pastor Ted and Deb have never been to New Mexico. They look forward to the adventure and to serving the members and friends of Christ the Rock.

VOLUNTEERS

In preparation for the arrival of our new pastor, there are a number of tasks which we need to complete. Most of them can be done by volunteers. The church will pay for the materials (paint, caulk, stucco patch, shed, etc.). The volunteer or volunteer team can do the work at a time convenient for them as long as the jobs are done before the new pastor arrives.

Sign up for the tasks you would be willing to undertake –

(An X means that a volunteer has already been found for this task.)

Church

 X Organize and clean up office areas, library, etc.

Parsonage

DONE Replace faucet in kitchen sink

DONE Install six new blinds

DONE Re-caulk around windows, sinks, countertops, etc.

Repair walls & paint -

DONE Living room and entry

DONE Kitchen and pantry area

DONE Dining room

DONE Upstairs bathroom

DONE TV room

DONE Bedroom #2

 X Bedroom #3

 Laundry room/Hallway to basement

 Basement game room

 Repair outer walls around the yard

 Paint or Reseal the stucco wall

 Paint the metal gates and fence sections

 X Power-wash the exterior siding

 X Yard, front & back (i.e. rake, weed, reseed, etc.,)

DONE Dismantle and remove the metal shed

 X Assemble new storage shed

Name: _____