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Lent 1

Today's Focus:

GOD PROVIDES STRENGTH TO OVERCOME TEMPTATION

HYMN 180 (Red Hymnal)

Jesus, in Thy Dying Woes

THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE – *Tan Worship Supplement, Page 1*

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Romans 8:31-39 (on back) *Since God loved us enough to put His Son to death for us, we can be confident He will not fail us in any way.*

RESPONSIVE READING – Psalm 6

The Psalmist pleads with God not to rebuke him, but to deal with him in mercy.

Note: *The Psalm ends with a confident statement that God has heard his prayer.*

L: O LORD, do not rebuke me in your anger or discipline me in your wrath.

C: Be merciful to me, LORD, for I am faint; O LORD, heal me, for my bones are in agony.

L: My soul is in anguish. How long, O LORD, how long?

C: Turn, O LORD, and deliver me; save me because of your unfailing love.

L: No one remembers you when he is dead. Who praises you from the grave?

C: I am worn out from groaning; all night long I flood my bed with weeping and drench my couch with tears.

L: My eyes grow weak with sorrow; they fail because of all my foes.

C: Away from me, all you who do evil, for the LORD has heard my weeping.

L: The LORD has heard my cry for mercy; the LORD accepts my prayer.

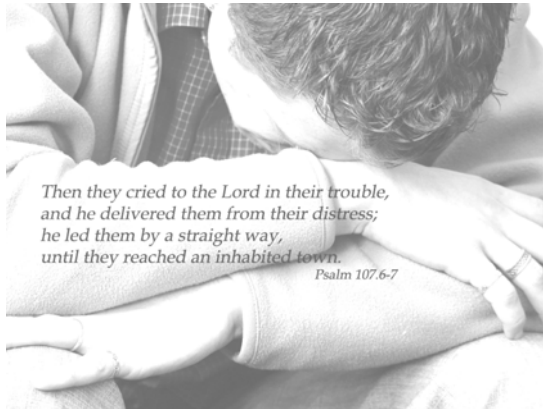
C: All my enemies will be ashamed and dismayed; they will turn back in sudden disgrace.

ALL: AMEN.

Mark 1:12-15 (on back) *Jesus' temptation in the wilderness is followed by the proclamation of His ministry.*

CONFESSION OF FAITH, Page 5 - Nicene Creed

The Nicene Creed was written to defend the Bible's teaching that the MAN Jesus Christ is TRUE God.



HYMN 768 (Worship Supplement) – “Be Strong in the Lord”

SERMON - NAS Proverbs 16:18

“Pride goes before destruction,
And a haughty spirit before stumbling.”

THEME:

YOU ARE BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST! THEREFORE...

“PROPERLY DEFINE YOUR PRIDE.”



OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS TO THE LORD – Sing 400 v. 1, 6 (Red Hymnal)

*Take my life and let it be; Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour; At Thy feet its treasure-store;
Take myself, and I will be; Ever, only, all, for Thee.*



SPECIAL PRAYERS - GENERAL PRAYER - LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION HYMN 315 v. 1-3 (Red Hymnal)

I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Worship Supplement, Page 7

Individual PRE/POST Communion Prayer – In the front of Red Hymnal pg. 118

The Lord's Supper is a gracious way in which our Savior comes to us to strengthen our faith in Him. By taking the Lord's Supper together, the members of this church proclaim that we are “of one mind” together in Christ. As the scripture says: “Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment;” and “For we, though many, are one bread and one body; for we all partake of that one bread” (1 Cor. 1:10; 10:17). Out of love for God's Word it is for this reason we ask that communicant members of St. Stephen or a sister church of the "Church of the Lutheran Confession" come forward at this point at the direction of the ushers. (Pastor is happy to speak with you after the service if you have any further questions.)

THANKSGIVING - HYMN 243 v. 1 (Red Hymnal)

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN 552 (Red Hymnal)

Abide With Me

CHOIR – verses 1, 2, 7 **ALL – verse 8**

NEWS and NOTES

Welcome visitors! We are very happy that you are here with us today and invite you to come again! Please sign our guest book. If you have questions about our church and school please ask!

-**TODAY:** Communion Sunday / Bible class continues in the prophecy of Jeremiah!

-**FAMILY CAMPING TRIP** sign up is on the table in the entryway.

-**CLC DIRECTORIES** are in. Pick up a copy on the table in the entryway.

-**POSTERS** of the CLC YOUTH CONFERENCE are in the entryway, and more information to come.