

Prelude

Greeting/Announcements

Hymn “O Lord, throughout These Forty Days” LBW #99

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness LBW pg. 77

Kyrie LBW pg. 78

Lenten Hymn “Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved” LBW #96

Prayer of the Day

Lord God, our strength, the battle of good and evil rages within and around us, and our ancient foe tempts us with his deceits and empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your Word and, when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading Genesis 22:1-18

L: The Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading James 1:12-18

L: The Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Faith Seeds Mackenzie Smith

Faith Seeds is a time for children of all ages to come forward for a lesson geared to them.

The Gospel Acclamation for Lent LBW pg. 83

“Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.”

The Announcement of the Gospel **“Glory to You, O Lord”**

Gospel Mark 1:9-15

Response after the Gospel **“Praise to You, O Christ”**

Sermon “At the Mercy of the Spirit” Pastor Scott Grorud

Hymn “Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart” LBW #486

Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering/Special Music “Children of the Heavenly Father”

Ringers of Faith

Offertory Response ... “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

LBW #565 Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711 Tune: Louis Bourgeois, c. 1510-1561

Prayers of the Church

The Lord’s Prayer

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.

Benediction

Closing Hymn ... “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word” ... LBW #230

Faith Lutheran Church (LCMC)

Hutchinson, Minnesota
8:00 a.m. First Word Service
February 18, 2024
First Sunday of Lent



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What Does This Mean?

1. What helpful reminder is provided by Mark's very brief account of Jesus' temptation?
2. How does Mark portray the work of the Holy Spirit?
3. How is that same portrayal reflected in Genesis 22?
4. Why is it a threat and a comfort that we are at the mercy of the Holy Spirit?