# Messiah Kutheran Church— Missouri Synod



# Invocavit - First Sunday in Kent February 14, 2016 Divine Service III

Matthew 4:7 And Jesus answered him, "It is written, . . ." Isn't it interesting that Jesus does not defeat Satan with His power as God, but rather by His perfect obedience in His perfect humanity? Jesus defeats Satan not by miracles, but by quoting the Scriptures and living according to it. This should cause us great joy for two reasons. First, because we see Jesus win the victory for us. Second, because here Jesus shows us how to stand in that victory: on the Word of God alone. Let us build our lives on the sure rock of this Word!

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**VISITORS WELCOME!** A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after the service, and we pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

ATTENDANCE REGISTER: During the offering we ask that you sign the attendance register located at the center aisle of each pew.

Please hand the filled in sheet to the usher as you exit at the end of the service. Let the usher know if you don't have a pad in your pew.

**HOLY COMMUNION** is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

**PRAYERS OF PREPARATION** may be found in the opening cover of the hymnals in each pew. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer.

# +SERVING TODAY+

Preacher/Celebrant: Pr. Roemke

Elder: Brent Jiter Ushers: Keith Kentala & Jacob Kentala

Greeter: Gail Kulbacki Organist: Evone Hagerman Altar Guild: Doris Colombe & Kathy Capriotti

Stand

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

#### +CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION+

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

#### +SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Introit

Ps. 91:1-2, 9-10, 13; antiphon: Ps. 91:15a, c, 16



When he calls to me, I will | answer him;\*

I will rescue him and | honor him.

With long life I will sat- | isfy him\* and show him my sal- | vation.

He who dwells in the shelter of the | Most High\* will abide in the shadow of the Al- | mighty.

I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my | fortress,\* my God, in | whom I trust."

Because you have made the LORD your | dwelling place—\* the Most High, who is my | refuge—

no evil shall be allowed to be- | fall you,\* no plague come | near your tent.

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\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

When he calls to me, I will | answer him;\*
I will rescue him and | honor him.
With long life I will sat- | isfy him\*
and show him my sal- | vation.



Salutation and Collect of the Day







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.



Sit

#### **Old Testament Reading**

Genesis 3:1-21

<sup>1</sup>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'?" <sup>2</sup>And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup>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." <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. <sup>5</sup>For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be

opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

<sup>8</sup>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. <sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>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."

<sup>14</sup>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."

<sup>16</sup>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."

<sup>17</sup>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."

<sup>20</sup>The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. <sup>21</sup>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.

**Gradual** *Ps. 91:11–12* 



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

On their hands they will | bear you up,\* lest you strike your foot a- | gainst a stone.

**Epistle** 

2 *Corinthians 6:1–10* 

<sup>1</sup>Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says,

"In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you."

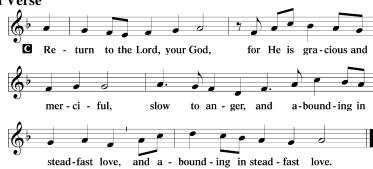
Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. <sup>3</sup>We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; <sup>7</sup>by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the

right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Stand





Holy Gospel

Matthew 4:1–11

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



<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup>And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." <sup>4</sup>But he answered, "It is written,

"'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.""

<sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple <sup>6</sup>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,"

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

<sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test." <sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. <sup>9</sup>And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." <sup>10</sup>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."

<sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.



# **Apostles' Creed**

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### A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

LSB 657, choir v 2

#### Sermon

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# Offertory

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## Offering

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# **Prayer of the Church**

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#### +PRAYER LIST+

- Those who serve in our nation's armed forces: DuWayne Griepentrog, Exor Padro, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Evan Smith, and for veterans.
- ➤ Shut-ins: Elsie Rintamaki, Lillian Sciortino, Myrtle Meier, Ernie Kapellusch, & Wally and Gloria Pipkorn.
- For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Richard Cleereman, Diane Gundlach, Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Carol Wagner (friend of the Brothers), Amy, Ron Hulke, Al Bradmon (cousin of Steve Billings), Loretta Hulke, Kyle Darling (friend of the Zuehls), Richard Schneider (Kathleen Judson's father), Maurissa Murakami (Bev Murakami's daughter-in-law), Rose Murakami (Bev's granddaughter), Bob Hogan (Ash Noble's uncle), Leslie Brothers, Marge Pohjola (friend of Kelvin and Vicky Nelson), Carol Vescova, MacKenna Marinarli (Gail Kulbacki's granddaughter), Chuck Brothers, Mary Rusch, Wally Pipkorn, Paul (Donna Primuth's son-in-law), and John Hernandez.

# +ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEB. 14, 2016+

► LENTEN SHIELD: The Lenten season shield is on a deep violet field teaching us to value Christ's Kingdom, which comes by His holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death and to prepare ourselves for that Kingdom of mercy in penitence and sorrow for

our sins. The outer edge of the shield is circled by a crown of thorns, teaching us that Christ's Kingdom truly comes through His humility and Passion. In the center is a gold cross outlined in red. The cross is central to our theology. It is precious, hence the gold, but it is also humble and it is only through the shed blood of Christ that our sins have been atoned for, hence the red. In the four corners of the cross are the Greek letters for Jesus Christ (IC XC), and Conqueror (NIKA). He has conquered sin, death and the devil by His cross for us. This shield was commissioned by Stacey Cleereman to the Glory of God.

- LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS begin this Wednesday. Meals are served at 5:30. Please refer to the sign-up sheets in the fellowship hall to see what you can bring.
- ★ LENTEN DEVOTIONAL: Pastor Roemke has written a daily devotion for the season of Lent based upon the beautiful Lenten hymn "O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken" (LSB 439). There are hard copies available in the fellowship hall and in the narthex and digital copies were emailed last week. If you would like a pdf version and did not receive the email, please speak to Lesa.
- **BOWL-A-THON:** The Bowl-A-Thon fundraiser, previously for CLA, now benefitting Messiah, will be Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm at Sheridan Lanes. Registration forms and pledge sheets are in the fellowship hall. Please see Mark or LeAnn Varvil with any questions.
- **PARISH PLANNING MEETING:** The Parish Planning Committee will meet this Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.
- **▼ CONFESSIONS STUDY:** The Lutheran Confessions Study will meet this Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. We will begin with Matins at 9:30 am.
- **★ THRIVENT CHOICE:** A big thank you to all of you who are directing your Thrivent Choice dollars to Messiah. In 2015, Messiah received \$1,986 through this program thanks to your generosity. If you are a Thrivent customer and have not signed up for Choice, ask your Thrivent representative about it.
- ♣ ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Beginning this Sunday, we will take time during the Bible Study hour to study some of the great works of Christian art by Albrecht Dürer from his Small Passion. If you would like to purchase a great devotional book for use

- during the Lenten season (as well as the rest of the year!) check out "Bearing the Cross: Devotions on the Small Passion."
- ₩ HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY: There will be no high school Bible study class today, so all high schoolers are encouraged to attend adult Bible study this morning.
- ▼ **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to prepare walls for painting. Tasks include taking items off the walls and patching up holes. Please speak to Dennis Helmke if you can help.

#### **+UPCOMING EVENTS AT MESSIAH+**

Tuesday	Feb. 16	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Wednesday	Feb. 17	9:00 am	Women's Bible Study
		5:30 pm	Lenten Soup Supper
		6:30 pm	Lenten Vespers
Thursday	Feb. 18	6:30 pm	Parish Planning Mtg
Saturday	Feb. 20	9:30 am	Confessions Study
Saturday	Feb. 27	12:30 pm	Bowl-A-Thon

#### +CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,584
Lord's Work Received 2/7-2/13:	\$3,585
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+\$1
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	+\$1,446

ATTENDANCE 2/7: 148 Communed: 121

# BIRTHDAYS BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

2/14	Steve Billings	2/15	Stephanie Zuehls
	Brian Blair	2/17	Nyssa Zuehls
2/17	Don Moe	2/19	Kathy Leisten
2/19	Austin Nehls		-

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

2/15 Jim & Carol Vescova (47)