

Take a moment to notice the * at the beginning of various portions of the order of service. The * indicates the place where it is inappropriate to enter or leave the sanctuary because it marks a time of prayer or respect for the Word of the Lord. Please be considerate of others around you by honoring these notations.

INVOCABIT- HE SHALL CALL
(FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT)

Jesus Does Battle in Our Place

February 18, 2024

AS WE GATHER: In the Garden, man exalts himself to be a god in place of God (Gen. 3:1-21). He succumbs to the temptation of the devil, and eating of the forbidden fruit, he receives death. But in the sin-cursed wilderness, God humbles Himself to become man in place of man (Mt. 4:1-11). He does not eat but fasts and bears the onslaughts of the devil for us that we may be restored to life. Jesus stands as David in our place to do battle against the Goliath, Satan (1 Samuel 17:40-51). Though outwardly Jesus appears weak, yet He comes in the name of the Lord of hosts. He draws from the five smooth stones of the books of Moses and slings the Word of God. The stone sinks into the forehead, and the enemy falls. In Christ we are victorious over the devil. Let us therefore not receive the grace of God in vain (2 Cor. 6:1-10), but seeing that we have a great High Priest, let us come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain help in time of need (Heb. 4:14-16).

*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.
Pastor: 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.
Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
People: who made heaven and earth.
Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,
People: 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.

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

*COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Pastor: O Lord God,
People: 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.

***Holy Gospel:** Matthew 4:1-11
Pew Bible Page 1499

***Lent Responsory** LSB 222
Office Hymn: **LSB 657**
“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Sermon
Offertory **LSB 659**
“Lord of Our Life”
***Canticle** **LSB 941**

PRAYER

***Kyrie:** LSB 227
***Lord’s Prayer:** LSB 227
***Prayer of the Church**
***Collect of the Day:** (Printed)
***Collect for Grace:** LSB 228
***Benedicamus/Benediction:** LSB 228
Closing Hymn: **LSB 718**
“Jesus, Lead Thou On”

Matins

Organ Prelude
Announcements
Opening Hymn **LSB 433**
“Glory Be to Jesus”
***Confession and Absolution:** (Printed)
“O Lord, open my lips...” LSB 219

PSALMODY

Venite: LSB 220ff

READINGS

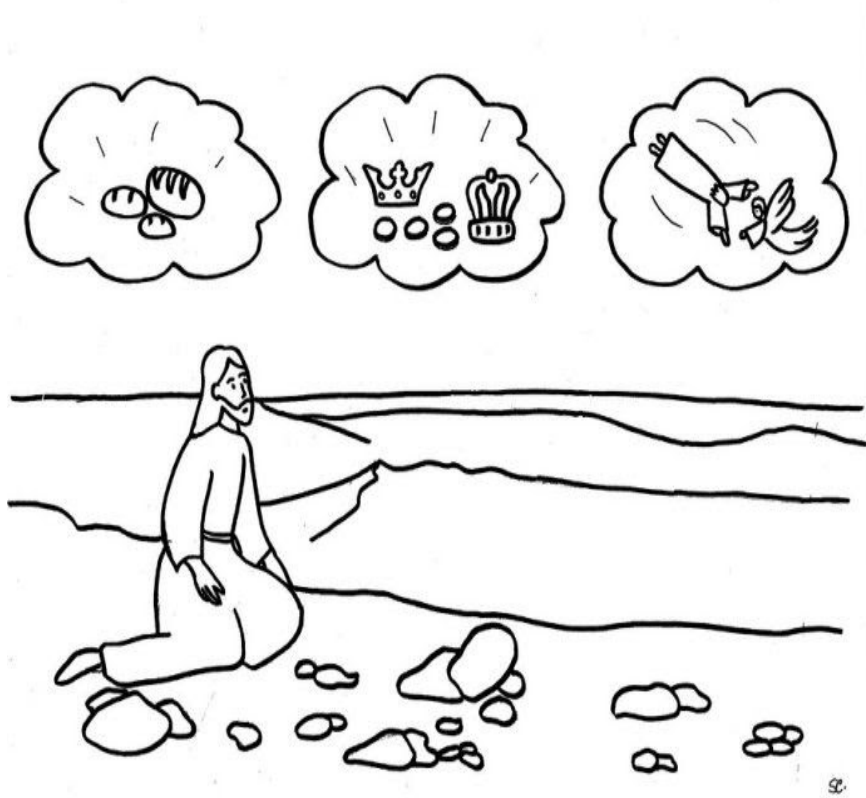
Catechism Recitation
Catechism Review Question #36
Old Testament: Genesis 3:1-21

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10

As Prayer Warriors with Love, Inc.: For women- a woman; strength as she grieves over the loss of several family members in Waterloo during 2023. a woman; her health, and diet. Please pray for her to have strength to accomplish her goals. a woman; improved mobility as right now she is very limited in what she can do physically. a woman; her son is in prison and needs to change his life around. a woman's daughter; her upcoming surgery in Iowa City for Spina Bifida. a woman; peace and comfort for her as she has lost family members recently. a woman; a healthy family. For men –a man; safety in his home with his kids. Please also pray for his brothers and sisters still in prison. a man; better employment opportunities. Please also that he can work hard and better himself. A man wanted to share that he is so thankful for Jesus in his life.

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