

Genesis 22:1–18

After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here am I.” He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.” So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you.” And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. And Isaac said to his father Abraham, “My father!” And he said, “Here am I, my son.” He said, “Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?” Abraham said, “God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So they went both of them together. When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here am I.” He said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.” And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called the name of that place, “The LORD will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.” And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven and said, “By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice.”

James 1:12–18

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am being tempted by God,” for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death. Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

Mark 1:9–15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.” The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

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February 21, 2021 1st Sunday in Lent - B

WELCOME to where God gives us His abundant Grace in Christ! Others have rejected, but now it is given to you! If you are desiring to commune this week, prepare by reviewing the Christian Questions with their Answers on page 329 in the hymnal. If you are a guest, kindly speak to one of the pastors before the service concerning your intentions to accept the privilege of communing.

WORSHIP PRAYER 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.

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 22:1-18 *Abraham prepares to offer Isaac as a sacrifice.*

EPISTLE: James 1:12-18 *"God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He tempt anyone."*

HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 1:9-15 *Jesus is tempted by Satan.*

CATECHETICAL LESSON *Ten Commandments: Eighth Commandment- You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.*

OPPORTUNITIES THRU CHURCH ACTIVITIES

(Feb 21-28)

Sun/Feb 21 **1st Sunday in Lent**
Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am
Coffee & fellowship, 9am
Sunday School & Bible class, 9:30am
Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am
Online worship stream via Facebook Live, 8am
Faith Formation Class, 7pm

Mon/Feb 22

Tues/Feb 23 Staff Meeting, 1pm
Council Meeting, 7pm

Wed/Feb 24

Fellowship Meal, 5:15pm
Lent Worship, 6:30pm
Confirmation Student/Parent Session, 7:30pm

Thur/Feb 25

Newsletter Assembly

Fri/Feb 26

Sat/Feb 27

LCMS Youth & Family Ski Day @ Andes Tower Hills

Sun/Feb 28

2nd Sunday in Lent
Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am
Coffee & fellowship, 9am
Sunday School & Bible class, 9:30am
Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am
Online worship stream via Facebook Live, 8am
Faith Formation Class, 7pm

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS this week:

Shirley Platfers, Dexter Kirby, Ava Mutchler, Linda Glass, Trudy Ruff, Arden Glanzer, Makenzie Charvat

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS this week:

Vi & Gary Abraham, Randy & Carolyn Fiechtner

COFFEE & TREATS Would you like to help serve coffee and treats in the kitchen during fellowship? Simply add your name to the sign-up sheet located in the Fellowship Hall or on the table in the Narthex. Thank you!

CHURCH DIRECTORIES ARE IN Our new church directories celebrating our 60th Anniversary are finally here! If you had your picture taken, you can find your directory on the table by the library! If you do not, yours is still on backorder.

February 21, 2021

1st Sunday in Lent - B

Entrance Hymn #605
Confession and Absolution p.151
Introit *see insert*
Kyrie (*Omit Hymn of Praise*) p.152
Salutation-Collect p.156
Old Testament *see back*
Gradual *see insert*
Epistle *see back*
"Return to the Lord..." p. 157
Gospel *see back*
Sermon Hymn #837
Sermon: The Readings
***The Life of Faith
is the Life of Mission***
Apostles Creed p. 159
Prayers & Offertory(*Organ*)
Preface p.160
"Holy, Holy, Holy" p. 161
The Lord's Prayer (*right side*) p. 162
Words of Institution p. 162
"Lamb of God..." p. 163
Distribution & Hymns
#418, #611, #693
Nunc Dimittis p. 165
Prayer & Benediction p. 166
Closing Hymn #718

**-OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIS PEOPLE AND HIS WORLD-
USED OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP OUR LORD:**

for last Sunday Services: 55 + 44 = 99

	<u>LAST YEAR</u>	<u>LAST SUNDAY</u>
General Fund Income Received:	\$ 6,241.16	\$ 9,624.17
Mortgage Fund Income Received:	\$ 920.16	\$ 958.35

	<u>Gap to Goal</u>	<u>Contributions</u>
Contributions to the Shortfall:	\$ 55,756.68	\$ 16,413.32

<u>THROUGH DECEMBER:</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
General Fund Income:	\$ 44,910.42	\$394,452.37
General Fund Expenses:	\$ 39,760.26	\$463,622.47
Net without PPP	\$ 5,150.16	\$-72,170.10

Mortgage Fund Income	\$ 5,186.44	\$ 70,854.90
Mortgage Fund Loan Payments	\$ 6,386.00	\$ 61,531.96
Net	\$ -1,199.56	\$ 9,322.94

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE FOR NEXT WEEK: (2/24 & 28)

ELDERS:	Wed: Bill Kitzman Sun 8am: Kevin Osmondson Sun 10:45am: Ray Wasness
AV:	Wed: David Pistorius/Gatlin Strohm Sun 8am: Larry Weil/Isaac Berg Sun 10:45am: Robert Eidbo/Tatum Renfrew
USHERS:	Wed: Tom Moltzan Sun 8am: *Bill Kitzman Steve Beltz, Todd Berg Sun 10:45am: *Lenny Heupel Sandie Eaton, Steve Vogel
ACOLYTES:	Wed: Jaylin Odle Sun 8am: Ashlyn Hins Sun 10:45am: Aubrey Weidner
MUSICIANS:	Wed: Jodi Pierce Sun 8am & 10:45am: Susan Jahnke
ALTAR GUILD	Janet Baker & Chris Paul

COMMUNICATING CHRIST OVER THE AIR:

OUR WEB SITE: www.standrewlcms.org

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" Sundays on KFGO AM 790 at 7:30am and on KFNW AM 1200 and 102.5 FM at 8am.

Upcoming topics are posted on the LLL bulletin board.
www.lutheranhour.org.

"CHRIST THE WAY" a radio program featuring ND District LCMS Pastors on KSJB 600AM at 7:30am on Sundays.

OUR SYNOD'S RADIO STATION: www.kfuo.org

DAILY DEVOTIONS by Pastor Klaus at www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp

MEN NETWORK: www.lhmmen.com

ISSUES, ETC: Current events from a Lutheran view. www.issuesetc.org

MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH TV PROGRAM Feb. 28: **Rev. Don Fondow, President, MN North District - LCMS**, presents the message: "A Life Worth Living ... A Savior Worth Believing," based on Mark 8:27-38. "This is the Life" episode: "Out of Bondage" examines the Christian approach to alcoholism. MAIN STREET LIVING is a locally-produced TV program that includes a 30-minute worship service led by participating pastors of the ND and MN North Districts of our LCMS, along with a 30-minute Lutheran Hour program. Programs are broadcast at 9:00am Central time on FOX station KVRN Channel 15.1 AND 10am Central on WDAY Xtra Channel 6.3, and archived on www.mainstreetliving.com.

WE PRAISE THE LORD FOR REV. RICK JONES for sharing God's Word with us today, presenting during Bible Class, and will be a part of the mission presentations after the noon meal today. Rev. Jones serves as the chairman of the ND District LCMS Task Force on International Missions focusing on our work in Chile and with Project 24 and serves as the Vice President of Spiritual Life of Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch and Recognized Service Organization (RSO) of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

THANK YOU SO MUCH to all who participated in our youth group's Valentines Dinner last week. We had a great turnout, and the kids had so much fun working together to set up, decorate, prepare, serve, and clean up. It was a pleasure to serve all of you, and we look forward to doing it again next year. In the mean time, please make plans now to join us for the annual Easter Breakfast, returning this year. Thank you for your support of our youth and their projects, events, and growth in faith. God is good!

FAITH FOUNDATION CLASS at 7pm. If you and/or a friend wants to enrich your faith, join us for the Faith Foundation Class. We will be using new material based on the catechism and meet for about 90 minutes for each session. This may be used for preparing for communicant membership for those who are 16 years or older. Please register with the church office at 701-282-4195 so that we have the need material for you.

LENT MEAL & WORSHIP Come join us for supper starting at 5:15pm before Wednesday Lent services at 6:30pm. Watch your email and church bulletins for more info on what will be served and how you can help. Contact Leanne Muhl or Sandie Eaton if you have any questions.

2021 LCMS YOUTH & FAMILY SKI DAY will be held on Saturday, February 27th at Andes Tower Hills near Alexandria, MN. Please join us for a day of fun and fellowship with others from our sister congregations in the area. Information and registration forms are on the youth bulletin board, or speak with Pastor Harvala for more information. **Registrations due today!**

ND DISTRICT LYF SPRING RETREAT will be held March 5th & 6th at the Chieftain Conference Center in Carrington. This event is for students in grades 8-12. District youth representatives will present the material learned at last year's Teen Leadership Training in St. Louis. See the youth bulletin board or speak with Pastor Harvala for more information or to register.

"WHAT IS CHURCH" Higher Things retreat will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wahpeton on March 26th & 27th. This is the rescheduled event that was canceled last spring. For more information or to register, please speak with Pastor Harvala or visit higherthings.org.

A BIG HEARTY THANKS for making GIVING HEARTS DAY tremendous blessing, especially for our Grace Lutheran School, which we own and operate as a part of the Red River Lutheran School Association. Our Representative is Alana Ratz. The other position is currently vacant. Please submit nominations to the nominating committee.

LFL ESSAY CONTEST Students in grades 6-12 are invited to participate in the annual Lutherans for Life essay contest. This year's theme is "God Chose You," based on John 15:16. Winning essays in each age group (6-8 & 9-12) at the state level will receive a cash prize and will also be entered in the national contest. See the poster on the youth bulletin board for more information.

MUSICAL ACCOMPANISTS SOUGHT Would you like to offer your musical talent to enhance our worship services? If you are interested in playing a musical instrument to accompany a song or hymn from time to time, please let the church office know this so that you can be contacted. Thank you! (Alternate Music Committee, Board of Elders)

CONCERN FOR OTHERS IN THE PEW: You will notice that there is a section on the west side for those wanting to be in a masks-needed section. In all other pews you may choose to wear or not wear a mask. Please practice social distancing. If there are people looking for seats and you are sitting on an end when there's no one in the middle, please be kind either by sliding in, or by getting up and inviting them in. Also, if you desire to limit personal contact you may park and enter on the west side of the church rather than entering from the east parking lot.

STEWARDSHIP DRIVE Your ongoing support is needed to make our voter approved expenses. Thank you for your financial support in 2020. As of November we are \$-72,170.10. We value your regular electronic giving. Electronic giving offsets monthly ups and downs of ad hoc giving. Is now the time to increase your regular giving? Your financial gifts are appreciated. Please check the Giving Thermometer in the Narthex and the Newsletter for updates. Thank you!
- Board of Stewardship

NATIONAL LWML REACHES THEIR 2019-2021 MISSION GOAL of \$2.1 million to fund 34 mission projects. Those mites continue to add up.

Introit

When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in | trouble;*

I will rescue him and | honor him.

With long life I will sat- | isfy him*

and show him my sal- | vation.

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.

For he will command his angels con- | cerning you*

to guard you in | all your ways.

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the young lion and the serpent you will trample | underfoot.

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Gradual

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the founder and perfecter | of our faith,

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame,*

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