Bringing Forward God’s Tithes and Our Gifts

\*Doxology **# 95 Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all Creatures here below;** **praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

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. Amen.**

\*Singing Our Faith **# 156** *“I Love to Tell the Story”*

\*Blessing and Dismissal

\*Postlude

**Scatter to Serve God & Neighbor**

***Welcome to all!*** *We gather to praise God for the innumerable blessings given to us and to grow deeper in the Spirit. Joyfully, let us lift our hearts to God.*





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10:30 a.m. ~ March 9, 2025 ~ First Sunday in Lent

Our ministry vision for the Virginia Annual Conference is ***“to be***

***disciples of Jesus Christ who are lifelong learners, who influence others to serve.”***

***Welcome! Join us in worshiping God!***

Prelude

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

*Welcome in the name of Christ our Lord. Please register your attendance, printing your name, address, phone, and email, on the attendance pad provided on your pew. Thank you for silencing cell phones as we gather to worship God.*

Invocation

\*Greeting

Jesus, tempted in the desert,

**lonely, hungry, filled with dread:**

‘Use your power,’ the tempter tells him;

**‘turn these barren rocks to bread!’**

‘Not alone by bread,’ he answers,

‘**can the human heart be filled.**

Only by the Word that calls us

**is our deepest hunger stilled!’**

Jesus, tempted on the mountain

**by the lure of vast domain:**

‘Fall before me! Be my servant!

**Glory, fame, you're sure to gain!’**

Jesus sees the dazzling vision,

**turns his eyes another way:**

‘God alone deserves our homage!

**God alone will I obey.**

When we face temptation's power,

**lonely, struggling, filled with dread,**

Christ, who knew the tempter's hour,

**come and be our living bread.**

By your grace, protect, preserve us

**lest we fall, your trust betray.**

Yours, above all other voices,

**be the Word we hear, obey.** *(Herman G. Stuempfle, 20th century)*

\*Singing Our Faith **# 127** *“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”*

Opening Prayer

**Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Anthem *“Hymn of Promise”*

Greeting Friends and Neighbors

Prayer of Illumination

**Holy God,** **reveal your presence to us this day** **as we journey this path with your Son.** **Through all of life’s trials and tribulations** **your Word sustains us for the journey ahead.** **Send your Spirit upon us** **that we might listen, discern, and take heart.** **Be near us this day** **and may your Word with us stay** **and dwell with us forevermore. Amen.**

Scripture Lesson Luke 4:1-13

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

Singing Our Faith **# 393** *“Spirit of the Living God”*

The Good News ***“Temptation Station”***

***\*\*Calendar \*\****

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| Tuesday, 3/11 | 10:00 a.m. | *Homeschool Rehearsal* |
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