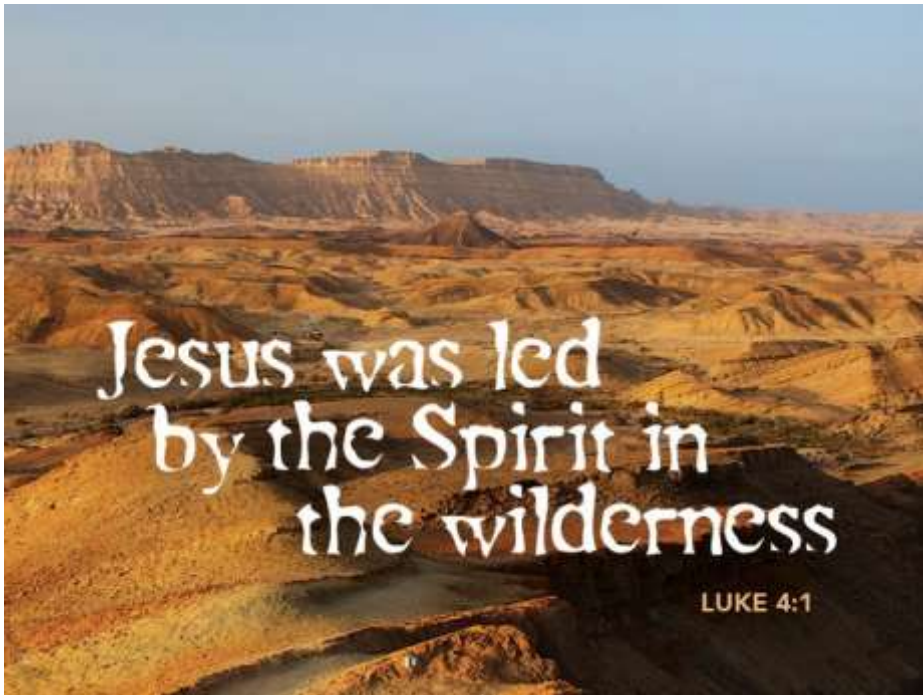


First Sunday In Lent



March 6, 2022 | 10:30 a.m.

*Kviteseid Lutheran Church
308 North Third Street
Milan, Minnesota*

ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome to Kviteseid Lutheran Church... Welcome to worship this first Sunday in Lent as we journey toward the cross and the empty tomb.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN “Bless Now, O God, the Journey” ELW #326
(Alt. tune: ELW #805)

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

HYMN “This Is My Song” ELW #887

INTRODUCTION

These forty days called Lent are like no other. It is our opportune time to return to the God who rescues, to receive the gifts of God’s grace, to believe with the heart and confess with the mouth the wonder of God’s love in Jesus, and to resist temptation at every turn. This is no small pilgrimage on which we have just embarked. It is a struggle Jesus knew. It is a struggle Jesus shares. The nearness of the Lord, in bread and wine, water and word, will uphold and sustain us.

CALL TO WORSHIP

P We come to worship the God that walks with us through every challenge.

C **We come to remember what Jesus did when he was faced with the wilderness.**

P When the people of Israel wandered through the wilderness, they were not alone, God was there!

C **If we are walking through the wilderness, we are not alone, God is with us!
We come today to worship our God, who gives us strength for every journey, and courage for every test!**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Luke 4, Deuteronomy 26

C **Holy Lord, as we enter this Lenten season, we are reminded of our weakness and our need for your strength.
We ask your forgiveness when we succumb to the temptations of this world, when we tread paths that are contrary to your will.
We ask your forgiveness when we fail to look beyond our own desires to see another’s need.
We ask for your presence in our wilderness wanderings.
May your hand guide us from the arid land of sin into a land flowing with milk and honey — a land made rich and abundant by your saving love.
Amen.**

P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C **Amen.**

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

C **O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

INTRODUCTION TO THE WORD

C **God of signs and wonders,
who speaks the world into being,
speak again your words of life and death.
May your word be ever near us,
on our lips, and in our heart.
Transform us as we hear your word this day,
that we may respond with faithful praise. Amen.**

LESSON: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

The annual harvest festival, called the Feast of Weeks, provides the setting for this reading. This festival celebrates the first fruits of the produce of the land offered back to God in thanks. In this text, worshipers announce God's gracious acts on behalf of Israel.

PSALM 91:1-2, 9-16

L ¹You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High,
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty-

C ²**you will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my stronghold,
my God in whom I put my trust."**

L ⁹Because you have made the LORD your refuge,
and the Most High your habitation,

C ¹⁰**no evil will befall you, nor shall affliction come near your dwelling.**

- L ¹¹For God will give the angels charge over you, to guard you in all your ways.
- C ¹²**Upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you strike your foot against a stone.**
- L ¹³You will tread upon the lion cub and viper;
you will trample down the lion and the serpent.
- C ¹⁴**I will deliver those who cling to me;
I will uphold them, because they know my name.**
- L ¹⁵They will call me, and I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and honor them.
- C ¹⁶**With long life will I satisfy them, and show them my salvation.**

LESSON: Romans 10:8b-13

Paul reminds the Christians at Rome of the foundation of their creed, the confession of faith in the risen Christ as Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 4th chapter.
- C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: Luke 4:1-13

After being filled with the Holy Spirit at his baptism, Jesus is led in the wilderness. Through his responses to the temptations of the devil, he defines what it means to be called "the Son of God."

- P The Gospel of our Lord.
- C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "O Lord, throughout These Forty Days" ELW #319
(Alt. tune: ELW #632)

APOSTLES' CREED

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- C **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**
- I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilot,
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:

P Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

The prayers are concluded with these words:

P Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need,
for the sake of Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

SHARING THE PEACE

P The peace of Christ, be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”

ELW #186

OFFERING PRAYER

P Extravagant God, you have blessed us with the fullness of creation.
Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies.
Take and use what we offer here, come among us,
and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray.

C **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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C **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.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMNS	“Lamb of God”	page 154
	“Abide with Me”	ELW #629
	“Let Us Break Bread Together”	ELW #471
	“As the Grains of Wheat”	ELW #465

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace,
you have fed us with your body, the bread of life.
Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need.

C **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

Psalm 91:9-12

P God will command the angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

C **On their hands they will bear us up.**

P Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High will be your dwelling place.

C **No evil shall befall us.**

P Go in peace, in the provision and protection of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN “Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer” ELW #618

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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