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**Pastor:** Go in peace, serve the Lord  
**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**  
**Closing Hymn, Lead On, O King Eternal** ..... LBW #495  
 Postlude  
**Pastor: Steven Bang**  
**Organist/Pianist: Ruth Sheldon**                      **Acolyte: Easton Jacobs**  
**Usher: Gene Fjeld**    **Lectionary: Lori Jacobs**

**Announcements**

**Today**

7 p.m. Youth Group

**Wednesday, February 17**

- 9 a.m. WOW Quilting, noon lunch at Leland Café
- 3 p.m. Confirmation Class
- 6 p.m. Soup Supper
- 7:15 p.m. Lenten Service

**Next Sunday, February 21**

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
- 10:15 a.m. Fellowship
- 11 a.m. Worship Service
- 7 p.m. Couples Club with Sharon Holland
- 7 p.m. Youth Group

**Thanks to all** for sending needed material for the 2016 Yearbook — Lou

**Save the date** — March 20, 2-4 p.m. at Creative Spirits painting class! See poster on Fellowship Hall bulletin board for more info.

**Don’t forget** to designate your Thrivent Choice Dollars!

**Prayer List**—Shirley Hanson, Mandy Carlson, Elaine Ritz, Calver Moffett, Kylie Holst, Marlas Reimann, Angela Haugen, Marlys Haugen, Mike Haack, Roger Peterson, Dale Zingg, Dorothy Kall, Ben Charlson, Monte Branstad, Blanche Durby, Eldora Reil. All prayer requests can be submitted to: [www.westprairiechurch.com/prayer](http://www.westprairiechurch.com/prayer); leave message on church answering system @641-567-3733; or called in to Pastor Steve @ 641-581-2868.

**First Sunday in Lent**

**West Prairie Lutheran Church, LCMC**

**11 a.m., February 14, 2016**

**Pastor Steve Bang**

**Prelude**

**Pastoral Greeting**

*Please stand if you are able.*

**Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness** ..... page 77

**Opening Praise Hymns, We Praise You, O God** ..... LBW #241

**Kyrie** ..... page 78

**Hymn of Praise, Glory to God in the Highest** ..... page 79

**Prayer of the Day**

**All: O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide now 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 Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*You may be seated.*

**FIRST LESSON:** Deuteronomy 26:1-11

**Offering First Fruits**

“Then it shall be, when you enter the land which the LORD your God gives you as an inheritance, and you possess it and live in it, that you shall take some of the first of all the produce of the ground which you bring in from your land that the LORD your God gives you, and you shall put *it* in a basket and go to the place where the LORD your God chooses to establish His name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, ‘I declare this day to the LORD my God that I have entered the land which the LORD swore to our fathers to give us.’ Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the LORD your God. You shall answer and say before the LORD your God, ‘My father was a wandering Aramean, and he went down to Egypt and sojourned there, few in number; but there he became a great, mighty and populous nation. And the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, and imposed hard labor on us. Then we cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction and our toil and our oppression; and the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm and with great terror and with signs and wonders; and He has brought us to this place and has given us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. Now behold, I have brought the first of the produce of the ground which You, O LORD have given me.’ And you shall set it down before the LORD your God, and worship before the LORD your God; and you and the Levite and the alien who is among

you shall rejoice in all the good which the LORD your God has given you and your household.

**Psalm 91:1-13**(responsively)

**Security of the One Who Trusts in the LORD.**

L: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High

**C: will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.**

L: I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress,

**C: my God, in whom I trust!"**

L: For it is He who delivers you from the snare of the trapper

**C: and from the deadly pestilence.**

L: He will cover you with His pinions, and under His wings you may seek refuge;

**C: His faithfulness is a shield and bulwark.**

L: You will not be afraid of the terror by night,

**C: or of the arrow that flies by day;**

L: Of the pestilence that stalks in darkness,

**C: or of the destruction that lays waste at noon.**

L: A thousand may fall at your side and ten thousand at your right hand,

**C: but it shall not approach you.**

L: You will only look on with your eyes

**C: and see the recompense of the wicked.**

L: For you have made the LORD, my refuge,

**C: even the Most High, your dwelling place.**

L: No evil will befall you,

**C: nor will any plague come near your tent.**

L: For He will give His angels charge concerning you,

**C: to guard you in all your ways.**

L: They will bear you up in their hands,

**C: that you do not strike your foot against a stone.**

L: You will tread upon the lion and cobra,

C: the young lion and the serpent you will trample down.

**SECOND LESSON: Romans 10:8-13**

But what does it say? "THE WORD IS NEAR YOU, IN YOUR MOUTH AND IN YOUR HEART"—that is, the word of faith which we are preaching, that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation. For the Scripture says, "WHOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED." For there is no distinction be-

tween Jew and Greek; for the same *Lord* is Lord of all, abounding in riches for all who call on Him; for "WHOEVER WILL CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED."

**Alleluia** ..... page 83

**GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 4:1-13**

**Response: Glory to You, O Lord**..... page 83

**The Temptation of Jesus**

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led around by the Spirit in the wilderness for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And He ate nothing during those days, and when they had ended, He became hungry. And the devil said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread." And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE.'"

And he led Him up and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said to Him, "I will give You all this domain and its glory; for it has been handed over to me, and I give it to whomever I wish. Therefore if You worship before me, it shall all be Yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'YOU SHALL WORSHIP THE LORD YOUR GOD AND SERVE HIM ONLY.'"

And he led Him to Jerusalem and had Him stand on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down from here; for it is written, 'HE WILL COMMAND HIS ANGELS CONCERNING YOU TO GUARD YOU,' and, 'ON *their* HANDS THEY WILL BEAR YOU UP, SO THAT YOU WILL NOT STRIKE YOUR FOOT AGAINST A STONE.'"

And Jesus answered and said to him, "It is said, 'YOU SHALL NOT PUT THE LORD YOUR GOD TO THE TEST.'"

When the devil had finished every temptation, he left Him until an opportune time.

**Response: Praise to You, O Christ** ..... page 83  
*You may be seated.*

**SERMON: Pastor Steve Bang**

"Jesus Was Tempted " Luke 4:1-13

**Hymn, O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days**.....LBW #99  
*Please stand.*

**Apostles' Creed** .....page 85

**Prayer**

*Sharing of the Peace.*

*You may be seated.*

**Offering**

*Please stand.*

**Offertory, Create In Me a Clean Heart, O God** .....page 96

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3. It would have been a sin of a lack of \_\_\_\_\_ for Jesus to turn those stones into bread in his own time.
4. The devil has designed this world to believe that if you want something done you need to do it \_\_\_\_\_ - not trust in God!
5. The second temptation was to “take the \_\_\_\_\_ road.”
6. The devil knew that Jesus had to come to reestablish his relationship with the world. The temptation was, “Why do through all of this \_\_\_\_\_ and temptation?”
7. The devil plants in our minds that life is just to enjoy, that this is the only \_\_\_\_\_ we will get so eat, drink, and be merry.
8. The third temptation was “Don’t \_\_\_\_\_ it until you see it.”
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