\* Call to Worship: Psalm 63:2-4

I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory.

Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you.

I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands.

# \* God's Greeting

# \* Knowing You

All I once held dear, built my life upon, All this world reveres and wars to own; All I once thought gain I have counted loss, Spent and worthless now compared to this.

Refrain: Knowing You, Jesus, knowing You There is no greater thing. You're my all, You're my rest, You're my joy, my righteousness, And I love You Lord.

Now my heart's desire is to know You more, To be found in You and known as Yours, To possess by faith what I could not earn, All surpassing gift of righteousness. *Refrain* 

Oh to know the power of Your risen life, And to know You in Your sufferings; To become like You in Your death, my Lord, So with You to live and never die. *Refrain* 

## \* Meekness and Majesty

Meekness and majesty, manhood and Deity, In perfect harmony, the Man who is God. Lord of eternity, dwells in humanity; Kneels in humility and washes our feet.

Refrain: O what a mystery, meekness and majesty; Bow down and worship, for this is your God.

Father's pure radiance perfect in innocence, Yet learns obedience to death on a cross, Suffering to give us life, conquering through sacrifice, And as they crucify prays, "Father forgive." Refrain

Wisdom unsearchable, God, the invisible; Love indestructible in frailty appears. Lord of infinity, stooping so tenderly; Lifts our humanity to the heights of His throne. *Refrain* 

#### \* When Peace Like a River

When peace like a river attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll, Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain: It is well, with my soul,
It is well, it is well, with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, Let this blest assurance control: That Christ has regarded my helpless estate, And has shed his own blood for my soul. *Refrain* 

**Lenten Reading:** Deuteronomy 8:11-18

# **Prayer of Confession**

Assurance: from George Herbert's "Lent"

Who goeth in the way which Christ hath gone, Is much more sure to meet with him, than one That travelleth by-ways:
Perhaps my God, though he be far before, May turn and take me by the hand, and more: May strengthen my decays.

## How Blest Are They Whose Trespass

#32:1,2 (PH)

#489:1,2 (PH)

(Children 3 years old  $-2^{nd}$  grade are invited to Children's Church in the Education Building during this song. Visitors are welcome!)

How blest are they whose trespass has freely been forgiven, Whose sins are wholly covered before the sight of heaven. Blest they to whom the LORD God does not impute their sin, Who have a guileless spirit, whose heart is true within.

While I kept guilty silence, my strength was spent with grief: Your hand was heavy on me; my soul found no relief. But when I owned my trespass and did not hide my sin, Then you forgave my guilt, LORD, restored my life within.

# **Offertory Prayer**

Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance

# **Morning Prayer**

## \* **Scripture:** *Matthew 4:1-4 (ESV)*

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<sup>1</sup> Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup> And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup> And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." <sup>4</sup> But he answered, "It is written, "'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Message:** Did God Say...?

Satan's Attack on Jesus, The First Temptation

#### \* How Firm a Foundation

#500:1,2 (PH)

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word! What more can he say than to you he has said, To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with you; O be not dismayed, For I am your God and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

# **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

#### Beneath the Cross

(A Love Offering for the Luke Society will be received during this song.)

Beneath the cross of Jesus I find a place to stand, And wonder at such mercy that calls me as I am. For hands that should discard me Hold wounds which tell me come. Beneath the cross of Jesus my unworthy soul is won.

Beneath the cross of Jesus, His family is my own.
Once strangers chasing selfish dreams;
Now, one through grace alone.
How could I now dishonor the ones that You have loved?
Beneath the cross of Jesus, see children called by God.

Beneath the cross of Jesus, the path before the crown, We follow in His footsteps where promised hope is found. How great the joy before us to be His perfect bride. Beneath the cross of Jesus, we will gladly live our lives.

# \* God's Blessing

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Matthew 4:1-4

### \* My Jesus, I Love Thee

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine; For Thee all the follies of sin I resign; My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou: If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

#557:1,2 (PH)

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me, And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree; I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow: If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

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# First Sunday of Lent



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