

MARCH 6, 2022
FIRST SUNDAY
IN LENT



Jesus conquers evil in the wilderness.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

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| Sunday | Luke 4:1-13 | The temptation of Jesus |
| Monday | Deuteronomy 26:1-11 | A confession of faith |
| Tuesday | Romans 10:8b-13 | Salvation is for all |
| Wednesday | 1 Peter 3:8-22 | Suffering for doing right |
| Thursday | 1 Samuel 12:19-25 | Samuel's farewell address |
| Friday | Romans 12:14-21 | Marks of a Christian |
| Saturday | Psalms 91:1-2, 9-16 | The Lord is my fortress |
| Sunday | Luke 13:31-35 | Jesus' sorrow over Jerusalem |

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them. Psalm 91:15 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Almighty God, give us courage to trust in your power over all things that seek to destroy goodness and mercy, through Jesus, the Son of God. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, we thank you for this food and for being with us during happy and sad times in our lives, through Christ Jesus, the Son of God. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the goodness of God guard you all the days of your life.



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HYMN OF THE WEEK
O Lord, Hear My Prayer



WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- What is something happening in the world that makes you sad?
- What is something happening in the world that makes you thankful?

DEVOTIONS



Read: Luke 4:1-13.

The First Sunday in Lent always includes the temptation of Jesus. The challenge is to resist the temptation to make this biblical story about us. When we do, we vow to resist our own temptations, weaknesses, and shortcomings. It is not at all about us resisting temptations in life. The story is about Jesus and his identity as the one "full of the Holy Spirit." It is about a testing of what it means for Jesus to be the Son of God. The good news is that in Jesus there is a power present willing to oppose evil, greed, selfishness, and misuse of power at all costs. That power is full of goodness, mercy, and God's saving presence. The devil loses to Jesus in the temptation story only to return at "an opportune time," that is, at Jesus' betrayal, suffering, and death. One final time, the devil will lose again.

Discuss: What evil do you see or read about happening in the world that will not last forever?

Pray: **God of power and might, by the power of the Holy Spirit, give us the strength to trust in the one who conquers sin, death, and evil through Christ our Lord. Amen**

SERVICE



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, what actions can you take to help someone when there has been wrongdoing?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



Lent is a time to focus on prayer. Think about times during the day you can pray while doing daily activities. This week talk to God in prayer while washing the dishes or doing household chores. Set aside another time during the day or evening to light a candle and say: **Jesus Christ is the light of the world. The light no darkness can overcome.** Close with the Lord's Prayer.



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