Traditional Service

11:00 am

Prelude Offertoire pour Grand Orgue

(Composer: Gounod)

Welcome & Announcements

Joining God's Welcoming New Members

Mission

Call to Worship

This is the day the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it

Opening Hymn Songs of Thankfulness and #104 Praise

Responsive Reading Psalm 146

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Do not put your trust in princes,

in mortals, in whom there is no help.

When their breath departs, they return to the earth;

on that very day their plans perish.

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God,

who made heaven and earth,

the sea, and all that is in them;

who keeps faith forever;

who executes justice for the oppressed;

who gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets the prisoners free;

the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

the Lord loves the righteous.

The Lord watches over the strangers;

he upholds the orphan and the widow,

but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

The Lord will reign forever,

your God, O Zion, for all generations.

Praise the Lord!

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

We confess, O God, that we have surrendered to temptation. We have lived by bread alone rather than by your Word. We have attempted to test your promises rather than simply relying upon them in faith. We have even compromised our loyalty by serving the kingdom of this world rather than worshiping you alone. We have drunk from the well of selfishness and pride rather than lived from the cleansing waters of baptism. Forgive us as we repent of our foolishness. Ground us all in the truth of your Word, in the reality of your promises, and in the sovereignty of your will.

(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Pastor: Friends, believe the Good News: **People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

Response Glory be to the Father #961

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be World without end. Amen. Amen.

Passing the Peace

Anthem Qui sedes (Composer: Bach)

Scripture Reading Matthew 4:8-11 & Deuteronomy 6:13

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon The Temptations of Jesus — Prestige

The Temptations of Jesus

Musical Reflection Vater unser im Himmelreich, Variation 4

(Composer: Scheidt)

Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him, all creatures here below Praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn A Mighty Fortress Is Our God #776

Benediction

Postlude Offertory in B Minor

(Composer: Dubois)

Worship Participants

Welcome & Sermon Rev. Dr. Spencer Lundgaard

Contemporary Worship Leader Luke Stoner

Praise Music Village Church Worship Band

Director of Traditional Music Logan Henke

Choral Music Village Church Choir

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Kyle and Christina Peterson,

Bridget Quinn,

Kevin and Sylvie Vanhoozer

Scripture Reader Elaine Holmquist (9:30)

Jack West (11:00)

Prayers of the People Elaine Holmquist (9:30)

Gordon Scott (11:00)

Organist Leo Meere (11:00) Soloist Skye Tarshis (11:00)

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Contemporary Service

9:30 am

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Praise and Prayer

I Thank God

Take You at Your Word

Great Are You Lord

Prayers of the People

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon The Temptations of Jesus — Prestige

The Temptations of Jesus

Closing Song

King of Kings

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Blessing

Questions for Discussion

Digging Deeper:

- 1. Read Matthew 4:8-11. Why did the devil take Jesus to a high mountain and show him all the kingdoms? What did he offer Jesus?
- 2. What did the promises of God say regarding who the Messiah would rule over? Was he going to be King of the Jews only? What light does this shed on his temptation to Jesus?
- 3. What was the devils desire in having Jesus give in to this temptation? (v.9)
- 4. What was Jesus' response? And how did the devil react? (10-11a)
- 5. What happened to Jesus after the devil departed. What is "ironic" in light of Jesus' 2nd commandment and its reference to Psalm 91?
- 6. Read Deuteronomy 6:4-13. What is the broader context for the command to worship and serve God only?
- 7. In what ways do we let our own pride and desire for significance get in the way of worshipping and serving God with all of our heart, soul, mind and strength? How does it get in the way of the ability of others to worship God?



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