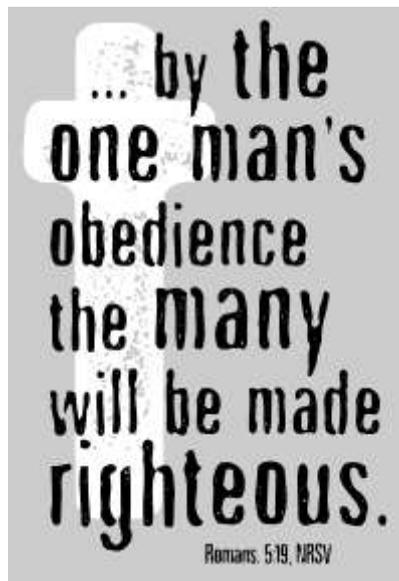


# THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

March 5, 2017

## Worship Focus

**Sin brings death and defeat; Christ brings life and victory.**



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# THE ORDER OF SERVICE

## Service of Word and Sacrament

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## OPENING HYMN

106 - Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain



1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined  
2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean - ness, Come de - filed, with -  
3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, Wound - ed, par - a -  
4 He that drinks shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -



by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain  
out, with - in; From in - fec - tion and un - clean - ness,  
lyzed, and blind; Here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,  
new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er



Flows to you, to me, to all, In a full, per -  
From the lep - ro - sy of sin, Wash your robes and  
Here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain  
Break his cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -



pet - ual tide, O - pened when our Sav - ior died.  
make them white; You shall walk with God in light.  
will re - store; He that drinks shall thirst no more.  
deem - er died, Sealed when he was glo - ri - fied.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771-1854, alt.

Tune: NAAR MIT OIE (87 87 77) Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812-87.

## INVOCATION

- Minister**            The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- Congregation**    **And also with you.**

## CONFESSION OF SINS AND ABSOLUTION

**M** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**C** **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me a sinner.**

**M** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## LORD HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)

**M** For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



**M** For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



**M** For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



**M** Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**M** Let us pray. Lord our strength, the battle of good and evil rages within and around us, and our ancient foe tempts us with his deceits and empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your Word, and when we fall, raise us up again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





## **THE WORD**

### **FIRST LESSON** Genesis 2:7-9, 15-17; 3:1-7

The sad account of the Fall answers our questions about the origin of sin and death.

GENESIS 2:7 The LORD God formed the man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

<sup>8</sup> Now the LORD God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had formed. <sup>9</sup> And the LORD God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground--trees that were pleasing to the eye and good for food. In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

<sup>15</sup> The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. <sup>16</sup> And the LORD God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; <sup>17</sup> but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die."

<sup>3:1</sup> Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

<sup>2</sup> The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup> but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'"

<sup>4</sup> "You will not surely die," the serpent said to the woman. <sup>5</sup> "For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

<sup>6</sup> When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

# PSALM

# Psalm 130

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*Refrain*

Re - mem - ber your mer - cy, O Lord;  
re - mem - ber your mer - cy and love.

*Psalm tone*

*Psalm tone*

Out of the depths I cry to | you, O LORD;\*  
O Lord, | hear my voice.

Let your ears be at | tentive\*  
to my cry for | mercy.

If you, O LORD, kept a rec | ord of sins,\*  
O Lord, | who could stand?

But with you there is for | giveness;\*  
therefore | you are feared.

## *Refrain*

I wait for the LORD and in his Word I | put my hope.\*  
My soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the | morning.

O Israel, put your hope | in the LORD,\*  
for with the LORD is unfailing love and with him is full re | demption.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit,  
as it was in the be | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

## *Refrain*

## **SECOND LESSON** Romans 5:12-19

Paul recounts the tale of two men; the one brought sin and death into the world, the other brought life and victory.

ROMANS 5:12 Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned--<sup>13</sup> for before the law was given, sin was in the world. But sin is not taken into account when there is no law.

<sup>14</sup> Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who was a pattern of the one to come.

<sup>15</sup> But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! <sup>16</sup> Again, the gift of God is not like the result of the one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification. <sup>17</sup> For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

<sup>18</sup> Consequently, just as the result of one trespass was condemnation for all men, so also the result of one act of righteousness was justification that brings life for all men. <sup>19</sup> For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

## **VERSE OF THE DAY**

It is written: "Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only."

## **GOSPEL** Matthew 4:1-11

The devil engages Jesus in a one-on-one battle of good versus evil. In a reversal of our First Lesson and a precursor of his triumph on Easter, Jesus defeats the devil by resisting all his temptations.

MATTHEW 4:1 Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup> After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup> The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread."

<sup>4</sup> Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.' "

<sup>5</sup> Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. <sup>6</sup> “If you are the Son of God,” he said, “throw yourself down. For it is written:

“ ‘He will command his angels concerning you,  
and they will lift you up in their hands,  
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.’ ”

<sup>7</sup> Jesus answered him, “It is also written: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’ ”

<sup>8</sup> Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. <sup>9</sup> “All this I will give you,” he said, “if you will bow down and worship me.”

<sup>10</sup> Jesus said to him, “Away from me, Satan! For it is written: ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.’ ”

<sup>11</sup> Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*After the reading of the Gospel the congregation responds:*



## HYMN OF THE DAY

349 - Jesus, Priceless Treasure

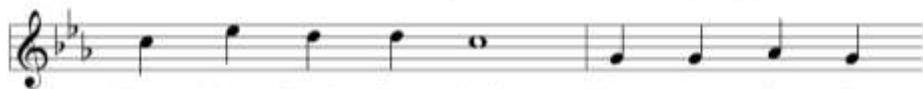




plea - sure, Tru - est friend to me. Ah, how long  
lest me Can - not reach me here. Though the earth  
cry thee; Fear, I bid thee cease. World, thou shalt  
plea - sure; Je - sus is my choice. Hence, all emp -  
glad - ness, Je - sus, en - ters in. Those who love



in an - guish Shall my spir - it lan - guish,  
be shak - ing, Ev - 'ry heart be quak - ing,  
not harm me Nor thy threats a - larm me  
ty glo - ry! Naught to me thy sto - ry  
the Fa - ther, Though the storms may ga - ther,



Yearn - ing, Lord, for thee? Thou art mine, O  
Je - sus calms my fear. Light - nings flash And  
While I sing of peace. God's great pow'r Guards  
Told with tempt - ing voice. Pain or loss Or  
Still have peace with - in. Yea, whate - 'er I



Lamb di - vine! I will suf - fer naught to  
thun - ders crash; Yet, tho' sin and hell as -  
ev - 'ry hour; Earth and all its depths a -  
shame or cross Shall not from my Sav - ior  
here must bear, Thou art still my pur - est



hide thee, Naught I ask be - side thee,  
sail me, Je - sus will not fail me.  
dore him, Si - lent bow be - fore him.  
move me Since he deigns to love me.  
plea - sure, Je - sus, price - less trea - sure!

Text: Johann Franck, 1618-77, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, st. 1-2, 4-5, alt.; *The Lutheran Hymnal*, St. Louis, 1941, st. 3.

Tune: JESU, MEINE FREUDE (665 665 34 86) Johann Crüger, 1598-1662.

## **SERMON**

Romans 5:12, 17-19

### **The Person Who Has Influenced My Life the Most Is...**

1. The one man, Adam? ... or
2. The other man, Jesus?

## **CONFESSION OF FAITH – THE NICENE CREED**

**C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,  
and became fully human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## FRIENDSHIP REGISTER and GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

### MUSICAL OFFERING

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

*Brief silence*

Lord God, heavenly Father, as we journey through this Lenten season, grant that we may be established firmly in Your Word, that our hearts may not be tempted by the false delights of sin, but may be firmly fixed upon Jesus, who journeyed to the cross to take away our sin. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, though death reigned over us through Adam's disobedience, You sent Your Son to be perfectly obedient to Your will on our behalf, so that through Him, we might be granted the free gift of salvation by grace. Grant to us pastors who preach this free gift given through the one man Jesus Christ, so that we may trust in Him alone and not in our own will and works. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Lord, we are weighed down with many weaknesses of our sinful flesh and often give in to temptations to sin. Grant Your peace and comfort to all who are troubled by besetting sins, addictions, oppression and despair, for Christ has won the victory over all sin and temptation that we of ourselves are unable to bear. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, grant wisdom and competence to all earthly authorities, including the president, Congress, the judiciary and all state and local government officials, that they may work on behalf of those they serve, rather than seeking to earn for themselves worldly glory, wealth and power. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, we pray that You would help all those who are unemployed or underemployed, that they may be able to provide for themselves and their families as they desire. We also pray that those who are granted wealth may realize that all good gifts come from You, that they may be generous with the bounty You have bestowed upon them. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, Your Son won the ultimate victory over death and disease by His cross, Passion and resurrection. We pray for all those who are in need of healing of body and soul [*including \_\_\_\_\_*]. Grant them health, recovery and peace, according to Your good will. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father of all grace, You provide the food we need on our pilgrimage through the wilderness of this life in the Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Grant that as we receive this gift today, we may be granted the forgiveness of all our sins, the strengthening of our faith, and power to resist temptation and live a godly life in Your service. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy God, we thank You that You promise to hear our prayers and to answer them as You see fit. We give thanks for the Passion of Your Son, who sojourned here below, so that we might live with You forever in Your eternal kingdom. When our journey in faith is finished, grant us to join all the blessed saints in Your glory, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**C Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**



## THE SACRAMENT

### **PREFACE and PROPER PREFACES**

**M** The Lord be with you.



**C:** And al - so with you.

**M** Lift up your hearts.



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

**M** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

**M** Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He made his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Sanctus*)



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**M** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

### O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; grant us your peace. A - men.

### DISTRIBUTION

*The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith. Therefore, we ask that only those who are members of Calvary or churches within our fellowship come forward to receive the Lord's Supper.*

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

403 - I Know My Faith Is Founded



1 I know my faith is found - ed On Je - sus  
 2 In - crease my faith, dear Sav - ior, For Sa - tan  
 3 In faith, Lord, let me serve you; Though per - se -



Christ, my God and Lord; And this my faith con -  
 seeks by night and day To rob me of this  
 cu - tion, grief, and pain Should seek to o - ver -



fess - ing, Un - moved I stand up - on his Word. Man's  
 trea - sure And take my hope of bliss a - way. But,  
 overwhelm me, Let me a stead - fast trust re - tain. And



rea - son can - not fath - om The truth of God pro -  
 Lord, with you be - side me I shall be un - dis -  
 then at my de - par - ture, Lord, take me home to



found; Who trusts in world - ly wis - dom Re - lies on  
 mayed; And led by your good Spir - it, I shall be  
 you, And let me there in - her - it All you have



shift - ing ground. God's Word is all - suf - fi - cient,  
 un - a - fraid, A - bide with me, O Sav - ior,  
 prom - ised me, In life and death, Lord, keep me



It makes di - vine - ly sure, And, trust - ing  
 A firm - er faith be - stow, Then I shall  
 Un - til your heav'n I gain, Where I by

in its wis - dom, My faith shall rest se - cure.  
 bid de - fi - ance To ev - 'ry e - vil foe.  
 your great mer - cy The end of faith at - tain.

Text: Erdmann Neumeister, 1671–1756; tr. composite.  
 Tune: NUN LOB, MEIN SEEL (78 78 76 76 76 76) *Concentus novi*, Augsburg, 1540, alt.

## THANKSGIVING

### THANK THE LORD

**C:** Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.  
 Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.  
 He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with  
 shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## PRAYER AND BLESSING

**M** Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** A - - men.

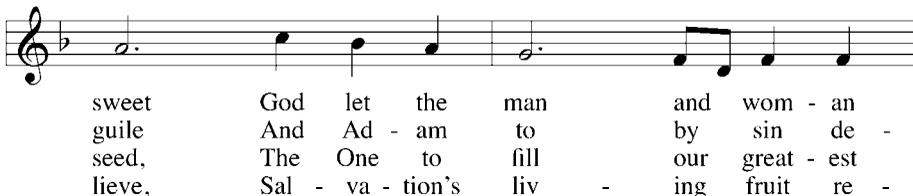
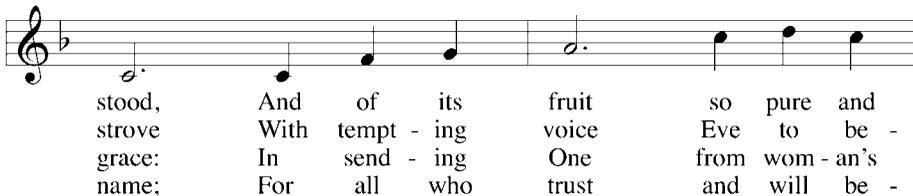
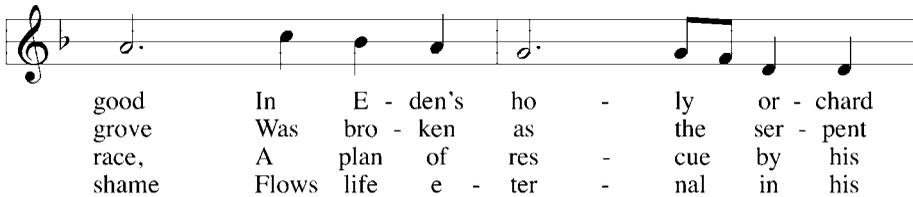
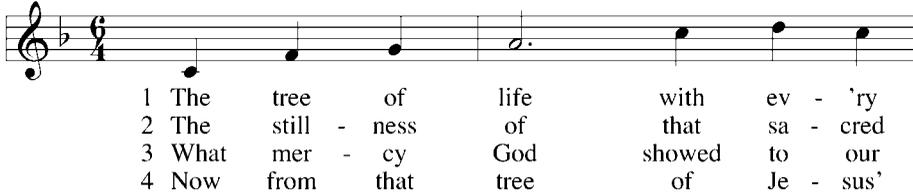
M Brothers and sisters, go in peace.  
 Live in harmony with one another.  
 Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



**CLOSING HYMN**

754 - The Tree of Life





eat. Yet in this gar - den al - so  
file. Oh, day of sad - ness when the  
need— For on a tree up - lift - ed  
ceive. And of this fruit so pure and



grew An - oth - er tree, of which they  
breath Of fear and dark - ness, doubt and  
high His on - ly Son for sin would  
sweet The Lord in - vites the world to



knew; Its love - ly limbs with fruit a -  
death, Its aw - ful poi - son first dis -  
die, Would drink the cup of scorn and  
eat, To find with - in this cross of



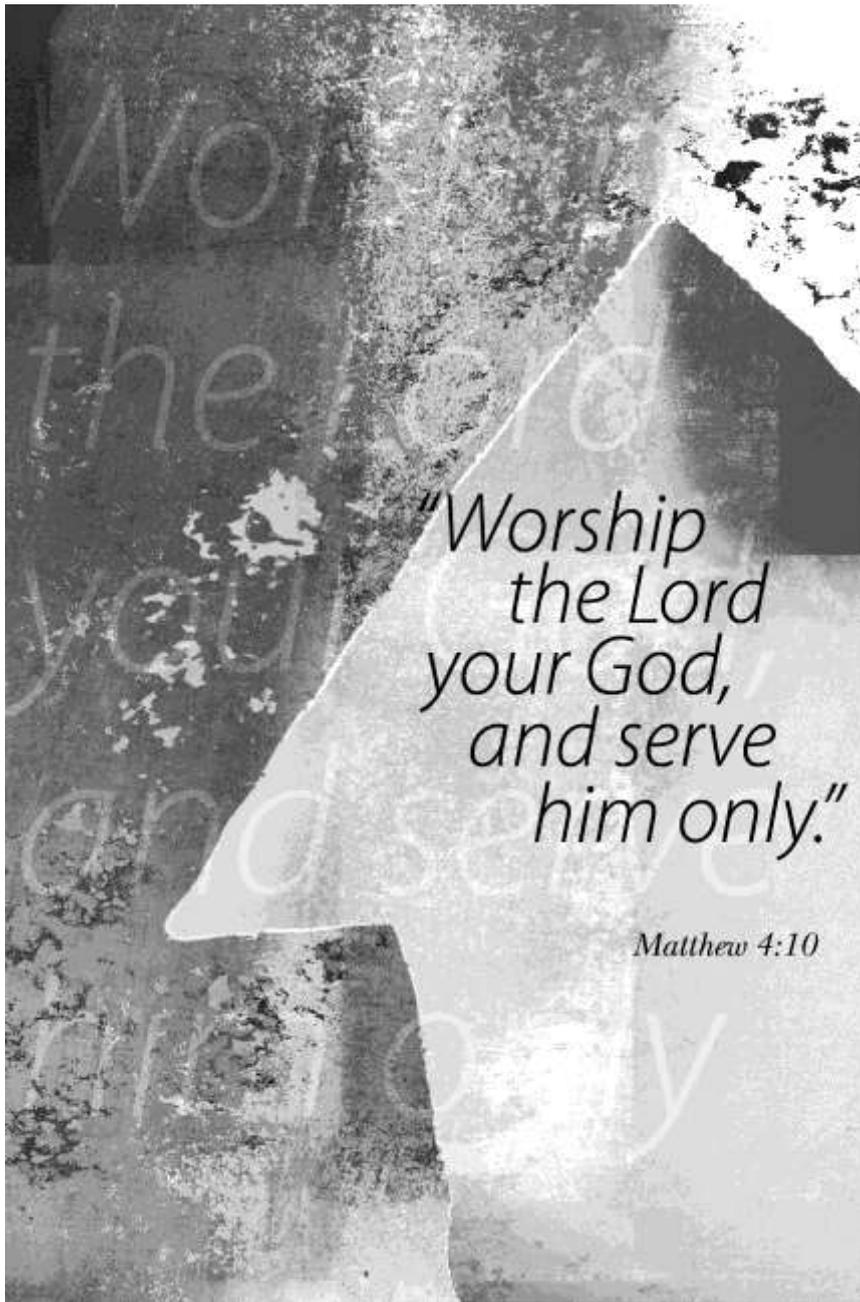
dorned A - gainst whose eat - ing God had warned.  
played With - in the world so new - ly made.  
dread To crush the an - cient ser - pent's head!  
wood The tree of life with ev - 'ry good.

*God's first promise to send a Savior, offered in the shadow of Eden, finds its fulfillment on the tree of Calvary, Jesus' cross.*

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*After worship, please feel free to stay and greet your neighbors.*



*"Worship  
the Lord  
your God,  
and serve  
him only."*

*Matthew 4:10*