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Lenten Service ***March 8th, 2017***

Prelude, Prayer and Meditation

Announcements

Hymn: "Precious Promise" 497

Scripture Reading **DEUTERONOMY 5:6-22**

Prayer

Offertory Prayer

Pulpit Hymn: "Thank you, Father" 653

 Sermon Text: **LUKE 2:40-52**

Sermon Theme: **"Fourth Commandment"** Ryan Kandoll

The Benediction

Hymn: "Faith of Our Fathers!" 331

Postlude

 **The Congregation stands**

The bulletin cover for our Midweek Lenten Service is a pen and ink drawing of Jesus the Christ by Jack Tibbs, 1927 – 1996. We are grateful for his artistic talents used to glorify our Lord and for the inspiration which they bring us.

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PRAYER UPON ENTERING CHURCH

"In you, O LORD, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness. Turn your ear to me; come quickly to my rescue; be my rock of refuge, a strong fortress to save me. Since you are my rock and my fortress, for the sake of your name lead and guide me. Free me from the trap that is set for me, for you are my refuge. Into your hands I commit my spirit; redeem me, O LORD, the God of truth." Amen. (Psalm 31:1-5)

Lenten schedule, theme and topics

Wednesday evening services are at 7:00pm

Theme: The Ten Commandments

Wed, March 15th	Fifth & Sixth Commandments	Brian Lunn
Wed, March 22nd	Seventh Commandment	Carl Aho
Wed, March 29th	Eighth Commandment	Matt Nelson
Wed, April 5th	Ninth & Tenth Commandments	Ryan Kandoll
Sun, April 9th	Palm Sunday	Brian Lunn
Thurs, April 13th	Maundy Thursday Passover Seder Service at 6:30pm	
Fri, April 14th	Good Friday Tenebrae Service at 7pm	Pr. Joel Baker
Sun, April 16th	Easter Sunday Service and Breakfast at 9am	

Lenten (Dinner) Serving Groups

March 15th	Janis & Roy Saari
March 22nd	Volunteer
March 29th	Larson's/Aho's
April 5th	Evy & Larry & Noel & Kris Walters

Deuteronomy 5:6-22

⁶I am the LORD your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

⁷You shall have no other gods before Me.

⁸You shall not make for yourself an idol, or any likeness of what is in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the water under the earth. ⁹You shall not worship them or serve them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, and on the third and the fourth generations of those who hate Me, ¹⁰but showing lovingkindness to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.

¹¹You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not leave him unpunished who takes His name in vain.

¹² ‘Observe the sabbath day to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. ¹³ Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁴ but the seventh day is a sabbath of the LORD your God; *in it* you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant or your ox or your donkey or any of your cattle or your sojourner who stays with you, so that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. ¹⁵ You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out of there by a mighty hand and by an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to observe the sabbath day.

¹⁶ ‘Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God has commanded you, that your days may be prolonged and that it may go well with you on the land which the LORD your God gives you.

¹⁷ ‘You shall not murder.

¹⁸ ‘You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁹ ‘You shall not steal.

²⁰ ‘You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

²¹ ‘You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, and you shall not desire your neighbor’s house, his field or his male servant or his female servant, his ox or his donkey or anything that belongs to your neighbor.’

²² ‘These words the LORD spoke to all your assembly at the mountain from the midst of the fire, of the cloud and of the thick gloom, with a great voice, and He added no more. He wrote them on two tablets of stone and gave them to me.

Luke 2:40-52

⁴⁰ The Child continued to grow and become strong, increasing in wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him.

⁴¹ Now His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover.

⁴² And when He became twelve, they went up *there* according to the custom of the Feast; ⁴³ and as they were returning, after spending the full number of days, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. But His parents were unaware of it,

⁴⁴ but supposed Him to be in the caravan, and went a day’s journey; and they *began* looking for Him among their relatives and acquaintances. ⁴⁵ When they did not find Him, they returned to Jerusalem looking for Him. ⁴⁶ Then, after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both

listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ And all who heard Him were amazed at His understanding and His answers. ⁴⁸ When they saw Him, they were astonished; and His mother said to Him, “Son, why have You treated us this way? Behold, Your father and I have been anxiously looking for You.” ⁴⁹ And He

said to them, “Why is it that you were looking for Me? Did you not know that I had to be in My Father’s house?” ⁵⁰ But they did not understand the statement which He had made to them. ⁵¹ And He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and He continued in subjection to them; and His mother treasured all

these things in her heart.

⁵² And Jesus kept increasing in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.