

THE CHURCH OF THE MASTER

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At Jesus' baptism, God declared his love for him. In the desert, God's angels gave Jesus strength. May our time together remind us of God's love and provision during our celebrations and trials. God bless you as we worship.

First Sunday in Lent

February 22, 2026

11:00 AM

Silent Preparation for Worship

*God, you never forgot your promise to give us life and preserve us in love.
Help us keep covenant with you in return, in all we do.*

Welcome

** Hymn of Praise #207 - "Amen!"*

** Call to Worship: (responsively)*

*Those who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
will say to the Lord:*

MY REFUGE AND MY FORTRESS; MY GOD IN WHOM I TRUST.

Those who love me, I will deliver, says the Lord.

I WILL PROTECT THOSE WHO KNOW MY NAME.

When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble.

**I WILL RESCUE THEM AND HONOR THEM AND SHOW THEM MY GRACE AND
SALVATION. AMEN.**

** Prayer of Praise and Adoration*

** Confession of Faith - Apostles' Creed (#622 in hymnal), page 5 on this PDF*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

MOST MERCIFUL GOD, WHOSE SON JESUS CHRIST WAS TEMPTED IN EVERY WAY, YET WITHOUT SIN, WE CONFESS BEFORE YOU THAT WE HAVE SINNED; WE HAVE HUNGERED AFTER THAT WHICH DOES NOT SATISFY; WE HAVE COMPROMISED WITH EVIL; WE HAVE DOUBTED YOUR POWER TO PROTECT US. FORGIVE OUR LACK OF FAITH AND HAVE MERCY ON OUR WEAKNESS. RESTORE IN US SUCH LOVE AND TRUST THAT WE MAY WALK IN YOUR WAYS AND DELIGHT IN DOING YOUR WILL. LEAD US THROUGH THESE FORTY DAYS OF LENT WITH HEARTS THAT KNOW THE PROMISE OF YOUR GRACE AND THE NEW LIFE THAT COMES FROM THE CROSS OF CHRIST. AMEN.

Announcements

* *Hymn of Preparation #426 - "Yield Not to Temptation"*

Lent Theme: "Lent Calls Us to Repentance, Renewal and Reflection!"

Scripture: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 (vv.15-17,3:1-3,4-6,7)

Matthew 4:1-11 (vv.1-3,4-6,7-9,10-11)

Sermon- "Lent Call Us to Repentance, Renewal and Reflection:

As We Journey with Jesus to the Cross!"

Lord's Prayer

* *Doxology (#39)*

* *Blessing of Our Tithes and Offerings*

* *Prayer*

* *Closing Hymn #451 - "I Surrender All"*

Choral Benediction- "Shalom to You" (congregation)

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.

In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

* *Benediction (Pastor)*

* Please stand if able

Church of the Master Ministries

Sunday	11:00 AM	Worship Service (Holy Communion celebrated on the 1 st Sunday of each month)
	12:00 PM	"Hour of Prayer Power" in Hahn Hall.
Monday	5:00-9:00 PM	Bushiken Karate
Tuesday:	6:45 PM	Bible Study Fellowship (Men's Group) - contact Ed Bungert, zajdml@optimum.net
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Online Bible study: Contact Ron Rivera for info on joining
	5:00-9:00PM	Bushiken Karate
Thursday	7:30 PM	Women's Alcoholic Anonymous
Saturday	12:00 noon	Online Bible study: Contact Ron Rivera for info on joining
	9:30AM-1:00PM	Bushiken Karate

MINISTRY OF PRAYER

“Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer”

The Prayer List

Our prayers reflect a wonderful and whole-hearted commitment to intercessory prayer by this congregation. Each name will remain on the prayer list for 3 weeks.

Prayers of Thanksgiving:

Prayers for Those with Special Needs:

Casey * Diane * Elena Caldera * Anne Dowling * Jerry Kemps * Jane Maze * Donald Zuvich

Prayers for Those Who Are Ill or have Medical Concerns:

Carol Cintron * Terry Mahon * Premature twins * Sofia * Elder Ron Rivera * Denise Reidy * Lily *

Kathy Cortese * Heather * Carole Mahon * Pat * Francesca * Mike * Rev. Liz Brantum * Frank

Font * Sharon Alexander * Rosa Stewart * Gene Peterson * Damon Hayden * Janet (friend of

Mahon family) * Beverly Morrison * Patti Zeig * Rev. Singletary * Connie * Loretta Byrd &

Wendy * Diante * Allen Ford * Alice & Alex Rivera * Arlene 'Auntie' Mayers *

Prayers for Those Dealing with Turmoil or Family Difficulties:

Pat's family * Heather * Donny & Carolyn Rosemond * Nancy & Gene Peterson * Barbara * Jay

Escobar & family * Sharon Alexander * Damon & Alex and family * Wintress * Kiera & Avery &

Martz family * Tyler, Nicole & Jackson * All caregivers * everyone battling addictions

Prayers For Those Seeking Direction/Needing God's Presence in Their Lives:

Heather * Zachariah Bungert * Ed & Marnie Reidy and their sons * Elvis Frias Sr. & Theresa * Di-

ante Stinson * Corey Streeter * young adults

Prayers for Those Seeking Employment:

Stephanie

Prayers for World Concerns:

Concerns for job security for Federal workers * An end to the war between Russia & Ukraine and

the Middle East conflict * An end to all the violence * Peace and healing in our community and

the nation * All first responders * Our country's safety * The future of our churches * The Presi-

dent and his administration * Pastor Sohail Latif and his congregation in Pakistan * Worldwide

conflicts * Sean Buckley & Katie Mahon and all active duty members & their families

Prayers for the families & friends of those who have died:

Mrs. Roddy * Patricia Sullivan * Elder Alistair Sealy *

PRAYERS FOR THE GROWTH OF CHURCH OF THE MASTER:

Lord, please send people through our doors with whom we can share the love and saving grace of Jesus Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Consistory will be meeting today following the Prayer meeting

CHURCH OF THE MASTER MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Christ-centered community church united in prayer and loving Christian fellowship, Bible teaching and preaching Christ crucified,

Amen! — 207

Traditional
Adapted for *Praise!*

Traditional Spiritual
Arr. for *Praise!*

Sing Refrain twice before first stanza. 1 + Final

A - men, a - men! A - men, a - men, a - men!

SOLO or Section of Congregation

1. See Him in the man - ger, Just a lit - tle ba - by—
2. See Him in the tem - ple, Talk - ing to the el - ders—
3. See Him at the sea - side, Preaching 'bout the King - dom—

men! A - men, a -

After final stanza D.C.

Hear the an - gels sing - ing! Sing it o - ver!
Mar - vel at His wis - dom!
Mir - a - cles and won - ders!

men! A - men, a - men, a - men!

After final stanza D.C.

4. See Him in the garden,
Bowed in deepest sorrow—
Praying to His Father!
5. See Him there on Calv'ry,
Dying for our sins—
Loving and forgiving!

6. See Him Easter morning,
Risen from the dead—
He will live forever!
7. Now He is our Savior,
And His name is Jesus—
Glory, hallelujah!

The Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Yield Not to Temptation — 426

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1. Yield not to temp - ta - tion, For yield - ing is sin - Each vic - t'ry will
 2. Shun e - vil com - pan - ions, Bad lan - guage dis - dain, God's name hold in
 3. To him that o'er - com - eth God giv - eth a crown, Thru faith we will

help you Some oth - er to win; Fight man - ful - ly on - ward, Dark
 rev - 'rence, Nor take it in vain; Be thought - ful and ear - nest, Kind -
 con - quer Tho oft - en cast down; He who is our Sav - ior Our

pas - sions sub - due, Look ev - er to Je - sus - He'll car - ry you through.
 heart - ed and true, Look ev - er to Je - sus - He'll car - ry you through.
 strength will re - new, Look ev - er to Je - sus - He'll car - ry you through.

CHORUS

Ask the Sav - ior to help you, Com - fort, strength - en and keep you;

He is will - ing to aid you - He will car - ry you through.

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CHALLENGE

**Genesis 2: 15-17; 3:1-7 (vv. 15-17, 3:1-3, 4-6, 7)
Matthew 4: 1-11 (vv. 1-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-11)**

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

3 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” ² The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³ but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’”

⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; ⁵ for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God,^[a] knowing good and evil.” ⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate.

⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ² He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³ The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.”

⁴ But he answered, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”

⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

⁷ Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹ and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.”

¹⁰ Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’”

¹¹ Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

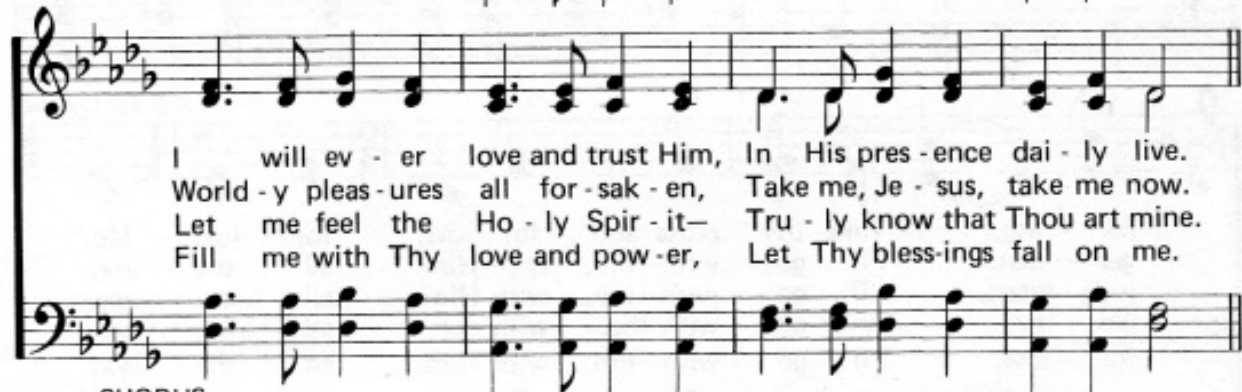
I Surrender All — 451

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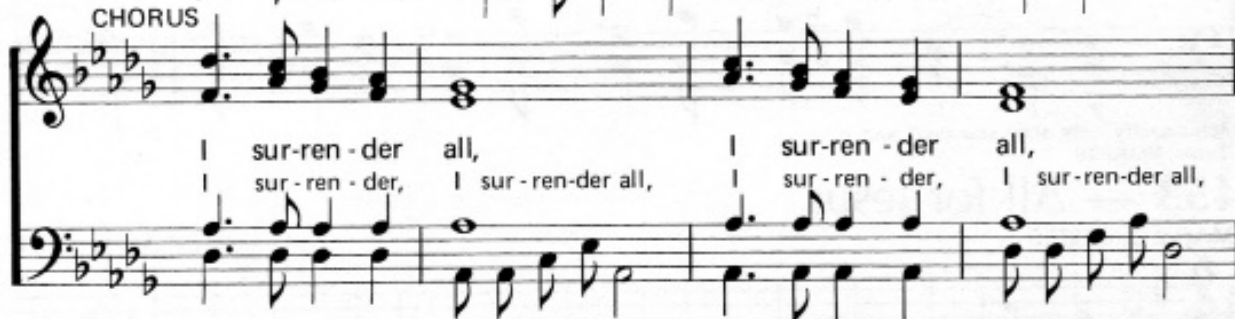


1. All to Je - sus I sur-ren - der, All to Him I free - ly give;
2. All to Je - sus I sur-ren - der, Hum-bly at His feet I bow;
3. All to Je - sus I sur-ren - der, Make me, Sav - ior, whol-ly Thine;
4. All to Je - sus I sur-ren - der, Lord, I give my - self to Thee;

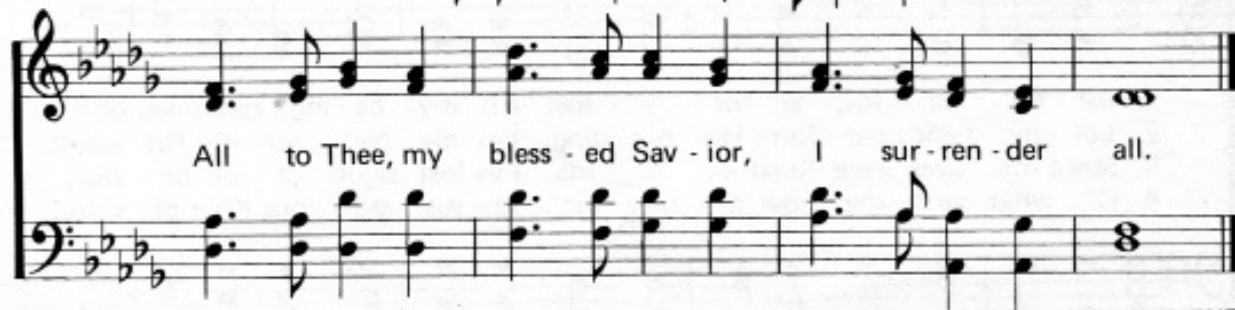


I will ev - er love and trust Him, In His pres - ence dai - ly live.
World - y pleas - ures all for - sak - en, Take me, Je - sus, take me now.
Let me feel the Ho - ly Spir - it— Tru - ly know that Thou art mine.
Fill me with Thy love and pow - er, Let Thy bless - ings fall on me.

CHORUS



I sur-ren - der all, I sur-ren - der all,
I sur - ren - der, I sur - ren - der all, I sur - ren - der, I sur - ren - der all,



All to Thee, my bless - ed Sav - ior, I sur - ren - der all.

COMMITMENT