



## Facing Our Adversary!

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*Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the desert, where for forty days He was tempted by the devil...*

- Luke 4:1

Tempted = "Put to a test"

Devil = "diabolos"

Satan the Adversary

### Satan's Plan:

**Doubt** - Makes you question God's Word and goodness.

**Discouragement** - Makes you look at your problems rather than at God.

**Diversion** – Makes the wrong things seem attractive so that you will want them more.

**Defeat** - Makes you feel like a failure in God's eyes.

**Delay** - Makes you put off doing what God wishes.

-- NIV Life Application Bible

Jesus' Temptations:

*For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one **who has been tempted in every way, just as we are**—yet was without sin.*

-- Hebrews 4:15





Jesus' example for us:  
Be Faithfull  
Be Devoted  
Be Resolved

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*Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.*  
-- Ephesians 6:10-11



## TODAY'S SERVICE

Welcome

Songs of Praise

Praise and Prayer

Scripture: Ephesians 6:10-13

Offering

Scripture: Luke 4:1-13

Hymn #214

“Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”

“Facing Our Adversary”

Communion

Closing Hymn # 466

“Onward Christian Soldiers”

### SCRIPTURE READINGS:

• Ephesians 6:10-13; pg. 1137

• Luke 4:1-13; pg. 995

Page numbers listed above can be found in your pew Bible. If you do not have a Bible at home, please feel free to take a pew Bible to keep as your own.

## SERMON RECORDINGS AVAILABLE

LISTEN TO SERMONS ONLINE

[www.wincov.org/media/sermons/](http://www.wincov.org/media/sermons/)

Choose the image that corresponds to the relevant series, and then choose the sermon you want to hear.

REQUEST A SERMON CD

CDs of the full service are available from the church office. Call us at (507)647-5777, email us at [wincov@gmail.com](mailto:wincov@gmail.com) or drop a note in Krystal Stoll's mailbox.

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday 3/6	9:30 AM	Worship
Communion	10:45 AM	Sunday School
Tuesday 3/8	7:00 PM	Leadership Team Meeting
Wednesday 3/9	9:00 AM	Prayer Coffee at Eunice's
Thursday 3/10	9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study
	6:30 PM	Men's Bible Study at Peiks'
Saturday 3/12	6:00 AM	Men's Bible Study at Hahn's Dining
Sunday 3/13	9:30 AM	Worship
	10:45 AM	Sunday School



Please welcome our final Lenten Guest Pastor: Keith Carlson from Dassel Evangelical Covenant Church. Pastor Keith grew up in a Covenant church in north central Kansas, earned a degree from Mid-America Nazarene University in 1974 and then graduated from North Park Seminary in 1978 with ordination in 1979..

He has been serving as pastor in Covenant churches since then, and serves in the community on the hospital board, hospice advisory board, and as the Chaplain of the Dassel Fire Dept. Keith and his wife Sue have three grown children and three grandchildren.

## HAVE A QUESTION?

### Leadership Team:

Dan Messerli, *Chair*  
Rueben Rosnau, *Vice Chair*  
Debbie Wilmot, *Secretary*  
Kay Linsmeier, *Financial Offcr.*  
Rose Adema, *Discipleship Liaison*  
Greg Elseth, *Mission Liaison*

### Ministry Team Leaders:

Karen Benson, *Missions/Outreach*  
June Oman, *Worship*  
Delaine Elseth, *Discipleship*

### Property Mgt:

Dale & Betty Boyum

### Ministries:

Camp: Laura Stuber  
Clothes Closet: Mary Jo Boehning  
Food Cupboard: Chuck & Barb Peik  
Men's Ministry: Chuck Peik  
Musketeer Ministry: Vonna Pitchford  
Nursery: Rose Adema  
Sunday School: Marlys Woods  
Small Groups: Delaine Elseth  
Women's Ministry : Becky Baker  
Youth Group: Kyle & Lindsay K.

## SUNDAY SERVANTS

	March 6th	March 13th
Prelude:	Delaine Elseth	June Oman
Greeters:	Kris Kernz & Autumn Bosma	Kokeschs
Nursery:	Karen Benson & Bridget Kavan	Vonna & Arista Pitchford
Scripture:	Kris Kernz	Stephen Ruff
Sound Technician:	Autumn Bosma	Krystal Stoll
Sunday School	Rosnau/Rosnau	Omans/Omans
Snacks: Adults/Kids:		
March Sanct. Floral:	March—Marlys Woods	
March Ushers:	Jim & Debbie Wilmot, Ted Oman, <b>need volunteer</b>	



**Today we will join in the sacrament of Holy Communion.**

In the Covenant Church, we believe that the Lord's Supper is for all who confess faith in Jesus Christ. **We practice open communion**, meaning that individuals need not be a member of Winthrop Covenant Church. All who seek to be a disciple of Christ are invited to the table.

The elements will be passed from row to row by our ushers. Please hold the bread and cup so that all may partake together.

## FINANCIALS

	Expenses	Income
January 2016	\$5264.88	\$11,050.18
2016 YTD	\$5264.88	\$11,050.18



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For Kris Kernz and her family, who are mourning the loss of her sister Phyllis.

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