

Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain  
and giving his life for the sins of the world.

**God raised this Jesus from the dead,  
vindicating his sinless life,  
breaking the power of sin and evil,  
delivering us from death to life eternal.**

**\*Gloria Patri 581**

**\*The Charge**

Mark 12:28-31

Which commandment is the first of all?

**You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,  
and with all your soul, and with all your mind,  
and with all your strength.**

And the second is this:

**You shall love your neighbor as yourself.  
There is no other commandment greater than these.**

**\*Sung Benediction 166 (verse 1)**      “Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days”

**Lord, who throughout these forty days for us did fast and pray,  
Teach us with Thee to mourn our sins, and close by Thee to stay.**

**Postlude**      “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”      AZMON  
Carl G. Glaser/John Carter

*\*The congregation is invited to stand.*

Scripture passages are read from the New Revised Standard Version.

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**THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY  
MONTREAT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
FEBRUARY 14, 2016, 9:00 A.M.  
FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

**Morning Meditation**

Romans 10:12-13

*The same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on the Lord.  
For, “Everyone Who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”*

**Chimes of the Trinity**

**Ritual of Fellowship**

**Voluntary**

“Amazing Grace”

NEW BRITAIN

Virginia Harmony, 1931/John Carter

**\*Call to Worship**

Ted Loder

Catch me in my anxious scurrying, Lord,  
and hold me in this Lenten season:

**hold my feet to the fire of your grace  
and make me attentive to my mortality**

that I may begin to die now to those things  
that keep me from living with you  
and with my neighbors on this earth;

**to grudges and indifference,**  
to certainties that smother possibilities,

**to my fascination with false securities,**  
to my addiction to sweatless dreams,

**to my arrogant insistence on how it has to be;**  
to my corrosive fear of dying someday

which eats away the wonder of living this day,  
**and the adventure of losing my life  
in order to find it in you.**

**\*Hymn 610**

“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

**Unison Prayer of Confession**

O God, our refuge and fortress,  
forgive us when we fail to trust in you.  
We fall to temptation; we are swayed by false words;  
we speak false words of our own. We choose our ease and comfort  
over your demanding claims upon us and upon the world.  
In turning from you, we settle  
for less than the abundant generosity you intend.  
Forgive us, we pray. Hear us as we call to you,  
and show us your salvation. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

**Silent Prayers of Confession**

**Kyrie Eleison 577** (responsive)

“O Lord, Have Mercy”

*The worship leader will sing the “Kyrie” verse.*

*The congregation will repeat the Kyrie verse followed by the verse in English.*

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Response 604** (unison)

“Lamb of God”

**Prayer for Illumination and Old Testament Reading**

Psalm 91:1-16

*Children who would like to continue with age-appropriate activities  
may go with the Children’s Tabernacle greeter during the hymn.*

**\*Hymn 162**

“O Carpenter, Why Leave the Bench”

**Reading from the Gospel**

Luke 4:1-13

**The Sermon**

“Waiting for the Other Shoe”

Keith Grogg

**Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer** (traditional)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, Amen.

**\*Hymn 822**

“When We Are Living”

**Offering of our Tithes and Gifts**

**Offertory**

“When We Are Living”

SOMOS DEL SENOR  
Spanish Melody/John Carter

**\*Doxology 607**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Christ all people here below, Praise Holy Spirit, evermore,  
Praise Triune God Whom we adore. Amen!

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Affirmation of Faith** (responsive)

A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.  
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:  
preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,  
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,  
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,  
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,  
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.  
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,