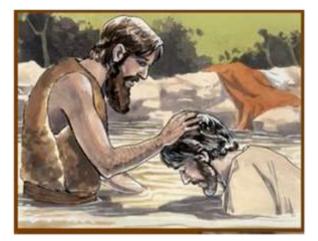
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Mark 1:9

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<u>FM 88.9</u>

Thank you for joining our service today.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Author of the First Letter of John reminds us that "if we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who it faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:8-9) We will take a moment of silence to confess our sins to God.

Moment of silence.

L: God's beloved, hear the words of assurance: There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole. There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sinsick soul. Our God is merciful and forgives all our sins. Amen.

Hymn "The Glory of These Forty Days" ELW #320

<u>Word</u>

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

1st Reading: Genesis 9:8-17

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Gospel Reading : Mark 1:9-15

P: Holy Gospel according to Mark. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. ¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

P: The gospel of the Lord C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

Hymn "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" ELW #517 Hymn will be played. You may hum along.

Prayer

L: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you. Leader will lead the prayer.

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We lift our prayers for

Lynn Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Delbert Scheider, Jerry, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Lois Paulsen, Taylor B., Gene Hesselbacher, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Brooke, Jon Forsythe, Diane, Randy, Brian, Deb Lindeman Harder, Paul Heller, Dave Heinkel, Cindy Tessendorf, the Heimann Family, Janet, Lori, J.T., Ryse Stone, Harry Perra Jr, Nicole, Meghan, Kelly Thurman, Tom, Brian Gobeli, John, Jerred, Bronwein, Matt and Julie, Susan Anderson, Chuck, Joyce, Marcia, Deb, Mary Gerbode, Terri, Tina, Julie, J.T., Jamie, Penny Day, Crystal, Jesse Becke, Sue, , Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, the Anthony Nelson family, and Rockford Rescue Mission. We pray for those serving overseas, especially Kyle. Pray for love, peace, comfort, and hope of resurrection for the family and friends of Pastor Art Stees.

Prayer will conclude with the Lord's Prayer.

Sending

God bless us and sends us in mission to the world.

Announcements

Blessing and Dismissal

P: God bless you \Box that you may be a blessing to others, in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity. **Amen.** Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" ELW #504

