#### FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

FEBRUARY 18, 2024

## Lent 1B Psalm 91:9–13; antiphon: vv. 15–16

P When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him. With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.

# **C** Because you have made the Lord your dwelling place— the Most High, who is my refuge—

P no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent.

G For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.
You will tread on the lion and the adder; the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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#### CATECHISM

What is the Office of the Keys?

The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His Church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent.

Where is this written?

This is what St. John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty: The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." (John 20:22–23)

## LEARN BY HEART

John 3:36

Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.

# COLLECT

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Readings for Next Sunday:** Gen 17:1-7, 15-16; Rom 5:1-11; Mk 8:27-38

**CONGREGATION AT PRAYER** 

#### INVOCATION

**INTROIT** (front page)

MEDITATION: Portals of Prayer and Catechism

LEARN BY HEART: Bible Verse (front page)

## DAILY READINGS:

SU:	2/18	Genesis 4:1–26	Mark 2:18–28
M:	2/19	Genesis 6:1—7:5	Mark 3:1–19
T:	2/20	Genesis 7:11—8:12	Mark 3:20–35
W:	2/21	Genesis 8:13—9:17 (Genesis 9:18—11:26)	Mark 4:1–20
TH:	2/22	Genesis 11:27—12:20	Mark 4:21–41
F:	2/23	Genesis 13:1–18	Mark 5:1–20
SA:	2/24	Genesis 15:1–21	Mark 5:21–43

HYMN OF THE MONTH: LSB #418 O Lord, throughout These Forty Days

# APOSTLES' CREED

## IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

- For the Church and her pastors; for teachers, deaconesses, and other church workers
- Birthdays this upcoming week: Randy, Sonja, David
- Baptism Birthdays this upcoming week: Judy, Wayne

# COLLECT (front page); LORD'S PRAYER

## BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

# C Amen