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In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, one God. Amen.
Begin with the Lord’s prayer

Our Lord and Savior, our King and God, we thank you for gathering us here to stand before you to call on your Holy Name.

Heavenly Father, teach us to trust You in everything we do. Our God open our eyes, ears, hearts and minds that we may hear Your Word, keep it in our hearts and tell our friends about your glory and honor.

Bless all the children and keep them safe. Hear us when we humbly and thankfully pray to you.
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 trespasses
As we forgive those who trespass against us
And lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from the evil one
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the Glory. Forever, Amen.
O our Lady, as St. Gabriel greeted you, “Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.” True Virgin in conscience as well as body, blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

Holy Mary, the God-bearer, pray that your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, may forgive us our sins. Amen.
Say The Jesus Prayer 3 times

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.
Can anyone tell me last week's memory verse???
Recite Last week’s memory verse

“You shall worship the Lord your God and serve Him only.”

Luke 4:8
Review

1. Who baptized Our Lord Jesus Christ? (John)
2. Where was Jesus baptized? (In the Jordan river)
3. How old was Jesus Christ when He was baptized? (30)
4. What did John tell the people? (They should turn away from their sins; the promised Savior was coming.)
5. What did Jesus ask John to do?  
   (Jesus asked John to baptize him.)

6. Why Jesus was baptized?  
   (To set an example)

7. What are the two miracles that were seen when Jesus Christ came out of the water?
   • Heaven opened and the Holy Spirit came down like a dove and rested on Jesus.
   • This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.
Class Covenant

I will keep my eyes on my teacher, my mouth in control, my ears on God’s Word; knowing God is my goal.
The Temptation of Jesus

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Memorize today’s Verse

“This is my beloved Son in whom I am pleased”.
(Matthew 3: 17)

Practice this verse again during the week.
Introduction

Today we are going to learn about the temptation Jesus Christ.

Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil.

Matthew 4:1
When Jesus Christ went into the desert, He didn’t take any friends along. He didn’t pack any food. He went by Himself with nothing but the clothes He wore.
But He was not alone, because the Spirit of God was with Him, watching over Him.
Our Lord Jesus stayed in the desert for many, many days and nights, and during that time He had nothing to eat.
Imagine how very hungry and weak from lack of food Jesus must have been!
During that time satan, God’s enemy, tempted Jesus. He tried to get Him to do wrong.
What does it mean to be tempted?

-To be tempted is to be tested in areas of faith.
But our Lord and Savior Jesus said no to satan. He told satan that God said that man needed more than bread to live. He needed the Word of God to give him life and keep him going.
That is why you come here to Church every Sunday to learn about God and God’s word.

Satan did not give up. He tempted Jesus again.
Satan took Jesus up on a high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world.

If you will bow down and worship me, I will give you all this, Satan said.
Again, Jesus used God’s Word to say no to satan. It is written:

Worship the Lord your God and serve Him only, Jesus answered. But satan was still not finished tempting Jesus.
This time, he led Jesus to Jerusalem and had Him stand on the top of the temple wall.
If you are God’s Son, satan said, “throw yourself down to the ground”. The bible says that God will send His angles to take care of you so you won’t get hurt.
Jesus knew that satan did not use God’s Word in the right way, and He knew that satan was trying to get him to do something that was not part of God’s plan for Christ.
Once more our Lord spoke God’s Word to say no to satan.

“‘It says: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test,’” Jesus pointed out to the evil one.
The trials and temptations come on their own; we should never intentionally expose ourselves to danger in order to test or prove God’s protection.

*To do so is to tempt the Lord.*
Who is the evil one? satan

Satan had failed to get Jesus to disobey God. Satan had tempted the Son of God, but satan did not get Jesus to sin.

So Satan went away and left Jesus alone for a time. And behold, angels came and ministered to Him.
Our Lord Jesus Christ did not give in to satan because He kept his mind and heart fixed on God and His Word, and He always remembered what He was on earth do. Jesus would keep on obeying God and serving only him.
Ask the students

What kind of temptation do they face?

How do you overcome your temptation?

- By prayer
- Reading the word of God – Bible
- Remembering God throughout the day
Conclusion

-We should always say no to doing bad things even when it does not make sense.

-Sometimes our friends might ask us to join them in doing bad things but say no to them and if they ask why say that God’s word and the Bible says not do it.
Movie Clip
Show a short movie clip about the story, if available.
1. Who led Jesus in the desert? (God’s Spirit; God)

2. Who tempted Jesus in the desert? (Satan)

3. What did Jesus use to help him say no to Satan? (God’s Word)
4. Did Satan get Jesus to disobey God? (No)

5. Why is important for us to know and learn God’s Word?

We learn God’s word to know what pleases or what makes God happy,

We learn what we must do to obey Him and how to say no to Satan.
Next Week

We will learn about Jesus sending out the 12 Disciples.
May the love of God the **Father** and the grace of our Lord **Jesus Christ** and the fellowship of the **Holy Spirit** be with you.

**All:** And with your Spirit.

Through the prayers of our holy Fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy on us and save us. Amen.
3 things we all can do to strengthen our relationship with God

1. Read the Holy Bible daily preferably when we get up in the morning. 5 minutes to start.

2. Partake Holy Communion regularly.

3. Remember God throughout the day. We can repeat short prayer such as “Lord Jesus Christ have mercy on me.”
“For there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved” (Acts 4:12)
"We are one in Christ" — Galatians 3:28
“And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.” John 8:32
Any question?

Close with prayer.