

**Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
February 2, 2020**

Preparation for Worship – We bow before You, O Lord!

Prelude Organist
Announcements
Invocation.....Inside cover of hymnal
Confession of Sins/Absolution.....Inside cover of hymnal

Adoration in Worship – We Praise You, O Lord!

Opening Hymn....."Break Thou the Bread of Life"#274
Liturgical Reading....."Perfect Peace"#491
Hymn Response....."Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"#335
Prayer of the DayBulletin
Passing of the Peace

Instruction in Worship – We Serve You, O Lord!

First and Second Scripture Readings
Special Music
The Gospel.Matthew 4:12-25
The Chorus: "Thank-You Lord"
Children's Sermon
Sermon: "The New Recruits" Matthew 4:12-25 Pastor Chris

Dedication in Worship – We Serve You, O Lord!

Offering Hymn....."Victory in Jesus"#473
Response....."We Give Thee But Thine Own"#620
Apostle's CreedInside cover of hymnal
Words of Institution
Holy Communion
Prayers
The Lord's Prayer
Closing Hymn....."The Solid Rock "#402
Benediction

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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR: Feb 2nd thru Feb 9th

Today: 9:00 a.m. Worship at Lands
9:15 a.m. Sunday School at Trinity
10:15 a.m. Sunday School at Lands
10:30 a.m. Worship at Trinity
Trinity Annual Meeting

Wed: 10:00 a.m. Bible Study at Lands
5:00 p.m. Bible Study at Lands
6:00 p.m. Confirmation at Lands
8:00 p.m. Parish Council at Lands

Sat: 9:30 a.m. Romsdal Women meet at Church

Sun: Feb 9th Worship Schedule
8:15 a.m. Lands Handbell Practice
9:00 a.m. Worship at Lands
9:15 a.m. Sunday School at Romsdal
10:15 a.m. Sunday School at Lands
10:30 a.m. Worship at Romsdal

PLEASE NOTE: Lands Women Mission Workshop will be held on Thursday, Feb. 13th at 1:30 p.m.

A Bible Study – "Lutheran Perspectives for a New Day" is being held on Wednesdays. at 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. at Lands.
Please contact Pastor Chris with any questions.

Parish Youth Group: After Church on Sunday, February 16th, Youth 7th grade through college age are invited to the Schroder's for dinner, followed by a trip to the Escape Room in Harrisburg. The cost is \$10 per person, and friends are welcome. If you plan to attend, and due to the need to order tickets, you must let Pastor Chris know by noon on Sunday, Feb 9th.

Jesus, The God Who Knows Your Name by Max Lucado, a six week Bible Study beginning Thursday, February 27th from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. at Laura's Lattes in Canton. Spend time at the foot of the cross and search the heart of the One who would rather die for you than live without you. Reserve your study book (\$7.00), and a chair at the table by calling Denise Koopsma at 605.351.4592.

Prayer of the Day

Dear Lord, We thank You for the blessings of Your Word, through which new strength and hope come to us daily. Keep us in Your care, and help us to rejoice in the salvation You have provided through the forgiveness of our sins.
In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Today's Readings

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First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-4

9 But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

- 2** The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.
- 3** You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil.
- 4** For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

10 I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgement. **11** For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. **12** What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." **13** Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? **14** I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, **15** so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. **16** (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) **17** For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. **18** For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 4:12-25

12 Now when he heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. **13** And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, **14** so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: **15** "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— **16** the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned." **17** From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." **18** While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. **19** And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." **20** Immediately they left their nets and followed him. **21** And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. **22** Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him. **23** And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. **24** So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, those having seizures, and paralytics, and he healed them. **25** And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.



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