

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
April 22, 2018

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

Prelude
Announcements
Invocation.....Inside cover of hymnal
Confession of Sins/Absolution.....Inside cover of hymnal
The Ten Commandments

Adoration in Worship – We Praise You, O Lord!

Opening Hymn....."O God, Our Help in Ages Past".....#52
Liturgical Reading....."Christian Conduct".....#685
Hymn Response....."In the Name of the Lord".....#90
Prayer of the DayBulletin
Passing of the Peace

Instruction in Worship – We Serve You, O Lord!

Scripture Readings
Special Music
The Gospel.John 10:11-18
The Chorus: "Thank-You Lord"
The Sermon:Pastor Nate

Dedication in Worship – We Serve You, O Lord!

Offering Hymn:....."Open My Eyes, That I May See".....#381
Offertory Hymn:....."We Give Thee But Thine Own".....#620
Apostles' CreedInside cover of hymnal
The Lord's Prayer
Closing Hymn....."The Solid Rock".....#402
Benediction

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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR: April 22nd thru April 29th

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| Today: | April 22 nd | Worship Schedule |
| | 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 |
| Mon: | | MESSENGER DEADLINE |
| Wed: | 5:30 p.m. | Confirmation |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Sunday School at Lands |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Trinity/Romsdal Choir at Trinity |
| Sun: | April 29 th | Worship Schedule |
| | 9:15 a.m. | Sunday School at Romsdal and Lands |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Parish Worship at Lands |

Next Sunday after the 10:30 a.m. Parish Worship Service at Lands featuring Teen Challenge, there will be a pot-luck noon dinner. Last names starting with: **A-H** bring a salad, **I-S** bring a hotdish, **T-Z** bring a dessert. Bread & Drink will be provided.

Attention Lands Ladies: Please make reservations with Ella Grimsrud for the May 5th Girlfriend Salad Luncheon, beginning at 11:30. The cost is five dollars, to be paid at the door. No cost for children under age 5. See you there!

Next Sunday, April 29th, there will be "A Celebration of Marriage", featuring wedding styles through the years, 1920 to present. This will be held at Gate City Events, beginning at 2 p.m. This is a fundraiser for Love INC. Tickets at \$10 at the door, \$8 if purchased prior to next Sunday at the Love INC office.

Today's Readings

April 22, 2018
Fourth Sunday of Easter

Prayer of the Day

Dear Lord, Thank You for the world You made and for the blessings in our lives. Fill our hearts with gratitude and put words in our mouths to acknowledge and appreciate You.
In Jesus' Name, Amen.
(Our Daily Bread)

First Reading: Acts 8:26-40

26 Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Go south to the road—the desert road—that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." **27** So he started out, and on his way he met an Ethiopian eunuch, an important official in charge of all the treasury of the Kandake (which means "queen of the Ethiopians"). This man had gone to Jerusalem to worship, **28** and on his way home was sitting in his chariot reading the Book of Isaiah the prophet. **29** The Spirit told Philip, "Go to that chariot and stay near it." **30** Then Philip ran up to the chariot and heard the man reading Isaiah the prophet. "Do you understand what you are reading?" Philip asked. **31** "How can I," he said, "unless someone explains it to me?" So he invited Philip to come up and sit with him.

32 This is the passage of Scripture the eunuch was reading:
"He was led like a sheep to the slaughter,
and as a lamb before its shearer is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.

33 In his humiliation he was deprived of justice.
Who can speak of his descendants?
For his life was taken from the earth."

34 The eunuch asked Philip, "Tell me, please, who is the prophet talking about, himself or someone else?" **35** Then Philip began with that very passage of Scripture and told him the good news about Jesus.

36 As they traveled along the road, they came to some water and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water. What can stand in the way of my being baptized?” **[*37]** **38** And he gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him. **39** When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord suddenly took Philip away, and the eunuch did not see him again, but went on his way rejoicing. **40** Philip, however, appeared at Azotus and traveled about, preaching the gospel in all the towns until he reached Caesarea.

[*Acts 8:37] “If you believe with all your heart, you may.” The eunuch answered, “I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.”]

Second Reading: 1 John 3:8-15

8 The one who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil’s work. **9** No one who is born of God will continue to sin, because God’s seed remains in them; they cannot go on sinning, because they have been born of God. **10** This is how we know who the children of God are and who the children of the devil are: Anyone who does not do what is right is not God’s child, nor is anyone who does not love their brother and sister. **11** For this is the message you heard from the beginning: We should love one another. **12** Do not be like Cain, who belonged to the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own actions were evil and his brother’s were righteous. **13** Do not be surprised, my brothers and sisters, if the world hates you. **14** We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love each other. Anyone who does not love remains in death. **15** Anyone who hates a brother or sister is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life residing in him.

Gospel Lesson: John 10:11-18

11 “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. **12** The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. **13** The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. **14** “I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— **15** just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. **16** I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. **17** The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. **18** No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father.”



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