FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT March 11, 2018

Preparation for Worship – We bow before You, O Lord!			
Prelude			
Announcements InvocationInside cover of hymnal Confession of Sins/AbsolutionInside cover of hymnal The Ten Commandments			
Adoration in Worship – We Praise You, O Lord!			
Opening Hymn			
Instruction in Worship – We Serve You, O Lord!			
Scripture Readings			
Special Music The GospelJohn 3:14-21			
The Chorus: "Into My Heart"			
The Sermon: Pastor Nate			
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Today:	March 4th	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
	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study at the Parsonage
Wed:	3:00 p.m.	Canton Good Sam Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Sunday School at Lands
	6:00 p.m.	Lenten Supper at Lands
	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Worship at Lands
Thurs:	2:00 p.m.	Alcester Care Center Worship
	2:00 p.m.	Mary Circle at Lands
Sun:	March 18th	Worship Schedule
	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
	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study at the Parsonage
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Lenten Offerings will be divided between The Beresford Community Food Cupboard & Services, Love INC, and the local food pantries in Beresford, Canton, and Alcester.

Anyone wishing to purchase Easter flowers for the Lands Sunrise Service, please contact Lola Twedt or Kim Sogn. There will be a sign-up sheet in the back of the church this Sunday.

If you would like to purchase an Easter Lily for the Easter Worship at Romsdal, please contact Altie Rasmussen at 605-957-4290. The cost is \$15.98 each.

Today's Readings

March 11, 2018 Fourth Sunday in Lent

Prayer of the Day

Lord, you are our God; We will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done wonderful things, things that were planned long ago.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

First Reading: Psalm 107:1-9

- **1** Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.
- 2 Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story those he redeemed from the hand of the foe,
- **3** those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south.
- **4** Some wandered in desert wastelands, finding no way to a city where they could settle.
- **5** They were hungry and thirsty, and their lives ebbed away.
- **6** Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.
- 7 He led them by a straight way to a city where they could settle.
- **8** Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind,
- **9** for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

Second Reading: Colossians 2:13-23

13 When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, 14 having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. 15 And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. 16 Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day. 17 These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ. 18 Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels disqualify you. Such a person also goes into great detail about what they have seen; they are puffed up with idle notions by their unspiritual mind. 19 They have lost connection with the head, from whom the whole body, supported and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows as God causes it to grow. 20 Since you died with Christ to the elemental spiritual forces of this world, why, as though you still belonged to the world, do you submit to its rules: 21 "Do not handle! Do not taste! Do not touch!"? 22 These rules, which have to do with things that are all destined to perish with use, are based on merely human commands and teachings. 23 Such regulations indeed have an appearance of wisdom, with their selfimposed worship, their false humility and their harsh treatment of the body, but they lack any value in restraining sensual indulgence.

Gospel Lesson: John 3:14-21

14 Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, 15 that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him." 16 For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. 18 Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. 19 This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. 20 Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. 21 But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.

Next Week's Texts:

Psalm 119:9-16 Colossians 3:1-6 Mark 10:32-45

Memory Verse:

Ephesians 2:8 – "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God."



Fourth Sunday in Lent March 11, 2018