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The Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

April 21, 2024

OUR THEME FOR THIS YEAR IS: *Adore God More in 2024!*

“Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.” ~ Psalm 95: 6-7a

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Song: King of Love . . . Smith, Ingram, Hein, Kulla, Palmer

The King of Love, my Shepherd is;
Whose goodness faitheth never.
I nothing lack if I am His
And He is mine forever.
And He is mine forever.

Where Streams of living water flow,
My ransomed soul He leadeth.
And where the fertile pastures grow
With food celestial feedeth.

Never failing Ruler of my heart.
Everlasting, Lover of my soul.
On the mountain high or in the valley low,
The King of Love, my Shepherd is.
The King of Love, my Shepherd is.

Lost and foolish, off I strayed
But yet in love, He sought me.
And on His shoulder, gently laid

And home rejoicing brought me.
In death's dark veil, I fear no ill
With Thee, dear Lord beside me.
Thy rod and staff, my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.

Never failing Ruler of my heart.
Everlasting. Lover of my soul.
On the mountain high or in the valley low,
The King of Love, my Shepherd is.
The King of Love, my Shepherd is.

Oh, Hallelujah, Hallelujah.
Oh, Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

Never failing Ruler of my heart.
Everlasting, Lover of my soul.
On the mountain high or in the valley low,
The King of Love my Shepherd is.
Never failing Ruler of my heart.
Everlasting, Lover of my soul.
On the mountain high or in the valley low,
The King of Love, my Shepherd is.
The King of love, my Shepherd is.

So through all the length of days,
Thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd may I sing your praise
Within Your house forever.
Within Your house forever.

Confession (All): Lord, we confess our lack of faith. We see a glimpse of what we ought to be and we know we fall short of the goal. We desire faith that is solid and unchanging, yet we crumble under trials and temptations. We want to be strong, but we know our weaknesses. Our sinful condition strips us of any spiritual gain that we humbly devise. Lord, forgive us. Accept us as we are, unworthy for the task, yet gifted for your purposes. Grant us Your gift of faith.

Absolution (Pastor)

Apostle's Creed: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord's Supper (8:00 a.m.)

The Bible is specific about who should attend the Lord's Supper (1 Corinthians 10: 16-17; 11: 27-30). We invite those who wish to confess their sins and believe they receive Christ's body and blood in this sacrament, for their forgiveness, to join us at the Lord's Table for their spiritual strengthening.

Communion Song (8:00): You Satisfy the Hungry Heart . . . Westendorf/R. Kreutz

Refrain:

You satisfy the hungry heart
With gift of finest wheat.
Come give to us, O saving Lord,
The bread of life to eat.

As when the shepherd calls his sheep,
They know and heed his voice;
So when You call Your fam'ly, Lord,
We follow and rejoice. [Refrain]

With joyful lips we sing to You
Our praise and gratitude
That You should count us worthy, Lord,
To share this heav'nly food. [Refrain]

Is not the cup we bless and share
The blood of Christ outpoured?
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare
Our oneness in the Lord? [Refrain]

The myst'ry of Your presence, Lord,
No mortal tongue can tell:
Whom all the world cannot contain
Comes in our hearts to dwell. [Refrain]

You give Yourself to us, O Lord;
Then selfless let us be,
To serve each other in Your name
In truth and charity. [Refrain]

Scripture Readings (Back of Bulletin)**Message from the Word:**

Sermon Series: When God Calls Your Name, Part 10 – Called to be Restored

Sermon Text: John 21: 15-19

Offering**Prayers/Lord's Prayer****Closing Song: Lord, I Lift Your Name on High . . . R. Founds**

Lord, I lift Your name on high.
Lord, I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad you're in my life,
I'm so glad You came to save us.

You came from heaven to earth
To show the way.
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay.
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky,
Lord, I lift Your name on high.

Lord, we come before Your throne,
Bowed in humble adoration.

We're so glad to be your own.
So we sing in Exaltation.

You came from heaven to earth
To show the way.
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay.
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky,
Lord, I lift Your name on high.
[Repeat]

Benediction

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAPTISM: We pray God's blessings on Alec John Harden, son of Patrick and Kristen Harden, who was baptized on Saturday evening.

VOTER'S MEETING: A brief Voter's Meeting regarding the renovation of the narthex (entrance) will be held after the late service today. All confirmed members are encouraged to attend.

FLOWERS: Flowers are given to the glory of God this weekend Harry and Tina Roberts in celebration of their 26th wedding anniversary. God's blessings to them!

FIRST TIME VISITORS: Welcome to our guests and visitors! Please take home an Our Shepherd gift bag located on the table in the narthex as a "thank you" for being here!

TWT ANNIVERSARY AND COFFEE HOUR: Please plan to join us for a celebratory coffee hour on Sunday, May 5th between services in honor of The Word Today's 46th anniversary. Please be in prayer as you consider your special anniversary gift to the radio ministry that weekend.

THE WORD TODAY WALK: Join us for a fun walk around Scout Lake's half mile loop (5902 W. Loomis Road, Greendale) after the late service on Sunday, May 5th. We are celebrating TWT's 46th anniversary and will provide a tailgate lunch. Please sign up so we can plan for food. (In case of inclement weather, we will be at church.)

MILKMEN OUTING: Please sign up if you would like to attend the Milkmen game on Sunday, June 16 at 1:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15.00 and include a hat or drawstring bag! Tickets will be distributed closer to the date of the game.

TOY DRIVE: We are looking for gently used toys suitable for young children to update our nursery. If you have toys you no longer need, please bring them in!

VBS SAVE THE DATE: This year our Vacation Bible School will be July 8 – 12 for children 4 – 10 years-old. The theme is "Camping Out With Jesus." Watch for further details in the coming weeks!

GUEST PASS: Please take as many as you would like of our "Guest Passes" inviting your family, friends, and neighbors to worship with us!

SERVE AT THE EBENEZER BREAKFAST: On Saturday, May 4, 2024, we are asking for 4-5 volunteers to make and serve breakfast for those in need beginning at 7:30 a.m. Please sign up online if you can volunteer, see our website for the link.

TWT CHANGE TO CHANGE THE WORLD: Remember to bring your collected change on the last weekend of the month, (April 27&28) for our ongoing "Change to Change the World" project supporting The Word Today.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Monday	Women's Bible Study	2:00 PM
Monday	Bell Choir	3:30 PM
Monday	Adult Bible Study	6:30 PM
Tuesday	Share Our Strengths (S.O.S.)	7:00 PM
Wednesday	Men's Bible Study	6:00 AM
Wednesday	Women's Bible Study	9:30 AM
Wednesday	Confirmation Class (Grades 5-8)	4:00 PM
Wednesday	Bell Choir	6:45 PM
Wednesday	Senior Choir	7:30 PM
Saturday	Worship Service	6:00 PM
Sunday	Worship Service	8:00 & 10:30 AM
Sunday	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:30 AM

The Word Today is aired locally on Sunday mornings at 7:45 on WJYI 1340 AM and at 8:30 on WRJN 1400 AM.

NOTES

Listener Responses to The Word Today – Tharu (Nepal)

We are living in a poor and financially miserable situation, many people accuse and counsel us that every Saturday we go to church, instead of going to church if we could work and earn would be helpful to feed our children, there are many painful words people are using still I keep going to church and engage all the activities. Since we keep our faith in Jesus and live in Him, we fix and determine that whatever situation we might face we go to church regularly and get blessings from Him. I have been learning and spiritually equipping through regular listening to the word of God from the Radio Program and involving church fellowship. TWT-Tharu Program is an inspiring and life motivated radio program for me.

I am from the far west of Nepal. I am a listener of my Tharu Radio Program (TWT Tharu) program. I am very glad for my dialect radio program. I was living a life of so pathetic, not having peace, joy, and normal situation, physically weak, and going through various problems, I can say that I could become a good believer not only through going to church and having fellowship but rather learning from the Bible and word of God, that could take place in my life through TWT Program. I have been taught very deep knowledge about Jesus Christ and solid teaching that How we should stand in our faith and live by faith. it pierces my heart and my thoughts intently. This radio program helps me to understand the word of God. Its program helps me to grow spiritually life good and the program guides us in the right way. I am so glad. I Thank God and TWR Nepal ministry.

I am from Dang District of the Western region of Nepal. I am very newly born-again Christian since 2023. I came to know about Christ and Christianity only through the TWR Radio Program. I am a regular listener of Spiritual Radio Programs; through that, I have been growing in faith and bonding a strong relationship with Jesus Christ. It has taught me to be obedient and hearer of the word of God. Today I am so thankful and excited to as I have received a new radio device. With thankful I pray that this Radio program will touch millions of souls around in our areas and be a good hearer. I know that there are many people around me willing to hear this program.

So happily, and excitedly as receive the Bible, she beautifully expressed that, TWT Tharu is our program so as many as I will share and propagate this message to all who are around me and let they might hear and come to the knowledge of truth Jesus Christ.