Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024

Prelude / Bell

Welcome

Opening Litany

L: Christ is risen! C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia! L: Christ is risen! C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia! L: Christ is risen! C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

L: I am the good shepherd

C: the one who tends us, guides us into pastures, who recognizes the sounds of our names.

L: I am the good shepherd

C: the one who bends to heal us travels through the deepest valleys with us who gives up everything for the love of the world.

L: I am the good shepherd

C: the one whose rod and staff comfort us whose strength and love holds us whose cup of love is overflowing.

L: I am the good shepherd

C: and we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

L: We gather here today

C: A people who celebrate God's faithfulness

L: A people who look ahead in hopeful anticipation

C: And excited for what God is doing and will continue to do in and through us

C: God's People in God's love for God's world

L: Christ is risen! C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Song Shall We Gather at the River ELW 423

Sharing the Peace

Prayer

L: Good Shepherd of the sheep.

C: you search the ends of the world for us and you meet us where we are at, broken and imperfect as we are. Feed us and we shall be satisfied, heal us and we shall be made whole, and lead us, that we may follow in the ways of your love and kindness for the for the sake of the world. May this be true of us. Amen! Amen! Amen!

Reading Acts 4:5-12

Responsive Reading Psalm 23

L: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

C: He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

L: he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

C: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff— they comfort me.

L: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

C: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

Reading 1 John 3:16-24

Gospel Acclamation This Little Light of Mine

Gospel Reading John 10:11-18

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Message Butch Mueller

Song Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us ELW 789

Prayers

Offering

Song You Are Holy ELW 525 (chorus only)

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer (sung)

Communion

Blessing / Benediction

Song Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee ELW 836

Dismissal

L: Go in peace, and serve the Risen Lord! C: Thanks be to God!

Bell / Postlude

You are a beloved child of God, deserving of love and respect and God is using you to care for the world.

We Thank

Ushers; Tech Desk Organist/ Pianist: RaNae Martinson

Reader: Laura Martinson Communion Servers

Nordland's Week

Today 9:30 am Education & Fellowship with cake to celebrate Kenny & Nancy Drange's 50th Anniversary

10:30 am Worship

11:30 am Fellowship Hall Reserved: Drange family

11:30 am Education Board Meeting

Wed. 6 / 6:30 pm Wed. Meal / Confirmation & Education

Sat. 10:45 – 1:00 Nordland Mission Fest, pork sandwich dinner, freewill donation / Silent Auction

Can you help out in the kitchen? Please sign up on the poster in the entryway.

12:30 pm Mission Fest Silent Auction closes Sun. 9:30 / 10:30 Education & Fellowship / Worship

5 -7-pm Nordland Mini-Summit, (see information below)

Mission Fest Silent Auction Details:

All items will be available for on-line viewing thru the Nordland Facebook Page OR in person viewing at Nordland Lutheran Church Sunday April 21 thru Saturday April 27. Bidding will be in person only and will end April 27 at 12:30 pm. Items will be added Thursday April 25 & Friday April 26, so check back either online or in-person to see what items have been added. We would really appreciate having auction items dropped off at church by 6:00 pm. Thursday April 25. We will have a designated area for baked goods, so Friday the 26 or early AM the 27 will work for those donations!

If you would like to bid, but cannot make it the day of the fest, send a proxy in your place. If you are a successful bidder, the items must be paid for when the in-person bidding ends at 12:30 pm on the 27. THANK YOU SO MUCH for your donated items to help raise money for missions!

Don't miss out! Be sure you, your committee, or board is represented at Nordland's first congregational mini-summit! Fun, food, fellowship, and most importantly sharing of ideas past, present, and future. Sunday, 5:00 to 7:00(?) pm. RSVP to church office ASAP!