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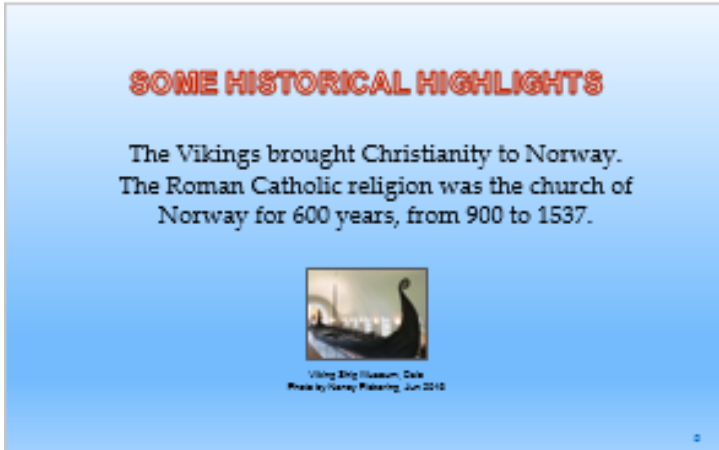
Churches of Gudbrandsdal, Norway: 1000 Years of Church History

IMAGES:

Shown are the Coats of Arms for each kommune in Gudbrandsdal. The slide show is organized by kommune.

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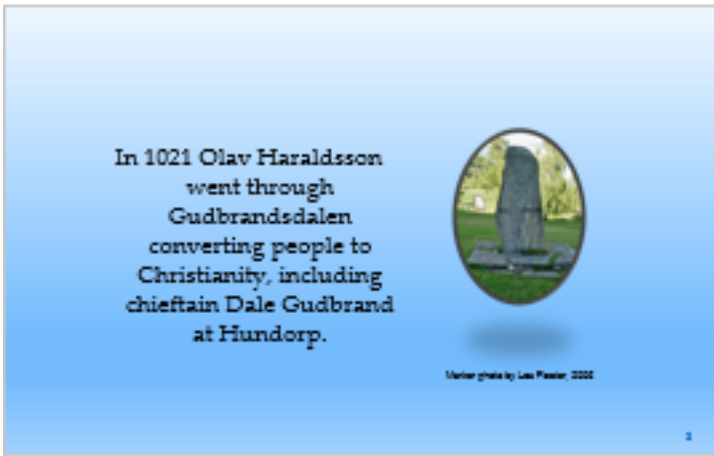
2. INTRODUCTION

SOME HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS

The Vikings brought Christianity to Norway. The Roman Catholic religion was the church of Norway for 600 years, from 900 to 1537.

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VIKING SHIP: Viking Ship Museum at Bygdøy, Oslo. Photo by Nancy Pickering, Jun 2016.

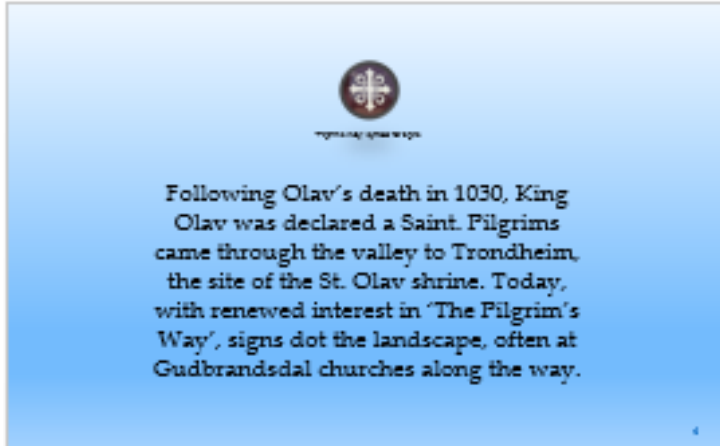


### 3. INTRODUCTION (continued)

In 1021 Olav Haraldsson went through Gudbrandsdalen converting people to Christianity, including chieftain Dale Gudbrands at Hundrop.

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MARKER: By Les Floeter, 2005

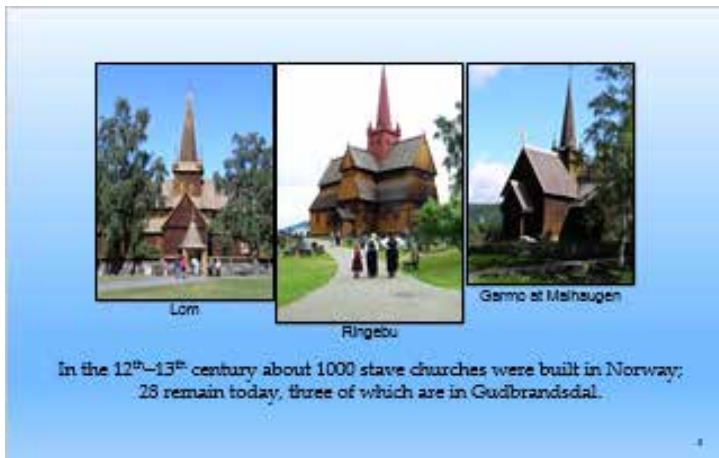


### 4. INTRODUCTION (continued)

Following Olav's death in 1030, King Olav was declared a Saint. Pilgrims came through the valley to Trondheim, the site of the St. Olav shrine. Today, with renewed interest in 'The Pilgrim's Way,' signs dot the landscape, often at Gudbrandsdal churches along the way.

IMAGE:

Image shows the symbol used on signs and markers to indicate "The Pilgrim's Way."



## 5. INTRODUCTION (continued)

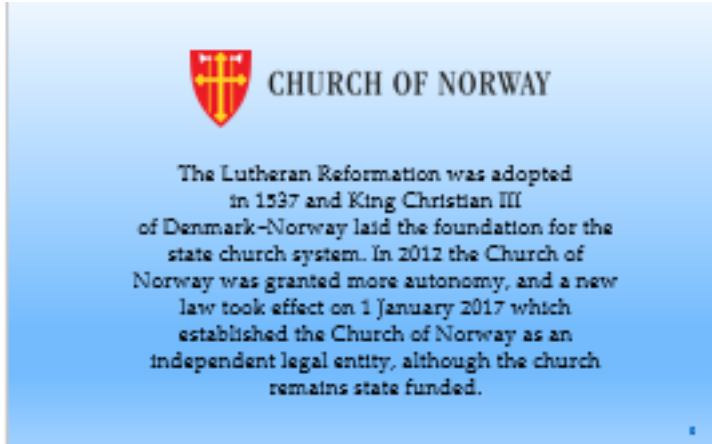
In the 12th-13th Century about 1000 stave churches were built in Norway; 28 remain today, three of which are in Gudbrandsdal.

### PHOTOS:

LOM STAVE CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, 2005.

RINGEBU STAVE CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, 2007.

GARMO STAVE CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, 2005.



## 6. INTRODUCTION (continued)

The Lutheran Reformation was adopted in 1537 and King Christian III of Denmark-Norway laid the foundation for the state church system. In 2012 the Church of Norway was granted more autonomy, and a new law took effect on 1 January 2017 which established the Church of Norway as an independent legal entity, although the church remains state funded.

IMAGE: Logo Coat of Arms created from file available at Wikimedia Commons, and licensed under the Attribution-Share Alike 3.0 license. Logo Lettering re-created from viewing the logo on the Church of Norway website (kirken.no) by Nancy Pickering.

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### PHOTOS:

DOVRE CHURCH: By Polly Johnson, 2005.

LESJA CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, 2005.

SKJÅK CHURCH: By Johanna Hocker, scanned 2009.



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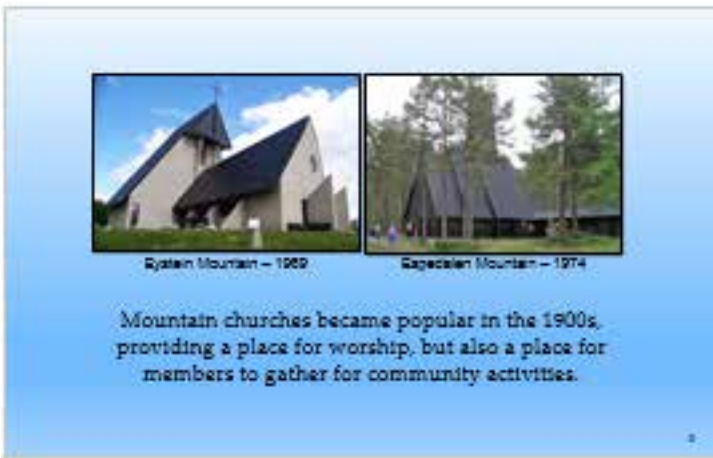
### PHOTOS:

NORDBERG CHURCH: By Les Floeter, 2005.

SØR-FRON CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, 2005.

BØVERDALEN CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, 2007.

SVATSUM CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, 2005.



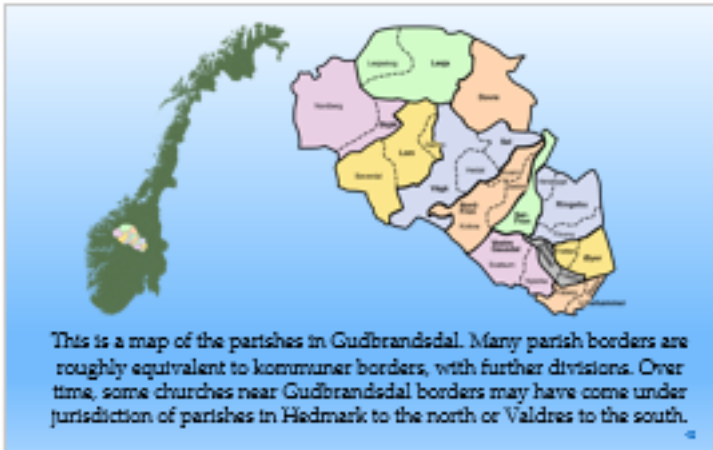
## 9. INTRODUCTION (continued)

Mountain churches became popular in the 1900's providing a place for worship, but also a place for members to gather for community activities.

### PHOTOS:

EYSTEIN MT. CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, 2007.

ESPEDALEN MT. CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, 2005.



## 10. INTRODUCTION (continued)

This is a map of the parishes in Gudbrandsdal. Many parish borders are roughly equivalent to kommuner borders, with further divisions. Over time, some churches near Gudbrandsdal borders may have come under jurisdiction of parishes in Hedmark to the north or Valdres to the south.

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12. MAPS SHOWING LOCATION OF CHURCHES IN LESJA & DOVRE KOMMUNER

IMAGES: Parish map and Coats of Arms previously identified.  
 Roadmap from Google Maps with additional points and labels added.



**LESJASKOG CHURCH**

- Built in 1697 for the Lesja ironworks workers.
- Church moved to Lesjaskog in 1855.
- Restored in 1957.
- Three markers located on the grounds.



LESJA KOMMUNE

13. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

LESJASKOG CHURCH – Lesja Kommune

1. Built in 1697 for the Lesja ironworks workers. – 2a, 2b, 2c
2. Church moved to Lesjaskog in 1855. – 2a, 2b
3. Restored in 1957. – 2a, 2b
4. Three markers located on the grounds.

PHOTO(S):

CHURCH: By Jim Olson


MARKER: By Jim Olson

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

2a. [www.bjorli.no](http://www.bjorli.no) dated 1/12/09.

2b. [www.gonorway.com/norway/counties/oppland/lesja/](http://www.gonorway.com/norway/counties/oppland/lesja/) dated 4/27/09.

2c. [www.lesja.kommune.no](http://www.lesja.kommune.no) dated 4/21/09.



**LESJAVERK CHURCH**

- Built in 1964, on the former site of Lesjaskog church.
- Built of cog jointed logs.
- Otto Sveen was the wood carver.
- Seats 120 people.

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PHOTO: Church photo by Erik den yngre, Jul 2014.

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[www.bjorli.no](http://www.bjorli.no) on 1/12/09.

DESCRIPTION SOURCE:

[www.bjorli.no](http://www.bjorli.no) on 1/12/09.

## LESJAVERK CHURCH INTERIOR

### Interior Pulpit



Church photo by Linda Sutton Folk

LESJA KOMMUNE

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## 15. LESJAVERK CHURCH INTERIOR

PHOTO: By Linda Sutton Folk, creation date undetermined.



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### LESJA CHURCH – Lesja Kommune

1. Built in 1749 near site of older church. – 1a, 1b
2. Showcases the finest altarpiece & pulpit acanthus carving in Gudbrandsdal by Jakob B. Klukstad. – 1am 1c

### PHOTOS:

CHURCH: By Linda Sutton Folk, creation date undetermined.

BULLETIN BOARD – Scanned from Lag's *Dovre og Lesja Kirker* Notebook.

### DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

1a. [www.bjorli.no](http://www.bjorli.no) dated 1/12/09.

1b. Lesja Kirke brochure – ½ page – located in Lag's *Dovre og Lesja Kirker* Notebook.

1c. Trip notes on Lesja kirke from 2005.



## 17. LESJA CHURCH INTERIOR

### PHOTOS:

Altar photo by Ginny Wegenast, Jun 2005.

Pulpit photo by Ginny Wegenast, Jun 2005.

Altar Detail photo by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

Ceiling photo by Ginny Wegenast, Jun 2005.

Pulpit Carving Detail photo by Ginny Wegenast, Jun 2005.



## 18. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

### SJONG SETERKAPELL — Lesja Kommune

1. Architect: Johan Traadahl.
2. Inaugurated 3 March, 1981.
3. Built on seter to Lesja prestegard.
4. Built in 3 sections, seats 50.
5. Church bell early 1990s, hangs in casting of pine tree.
6. "Sports club" use.

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### DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

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19. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:  
EYSTEIN MT. CHURCH – Dovre Kommune

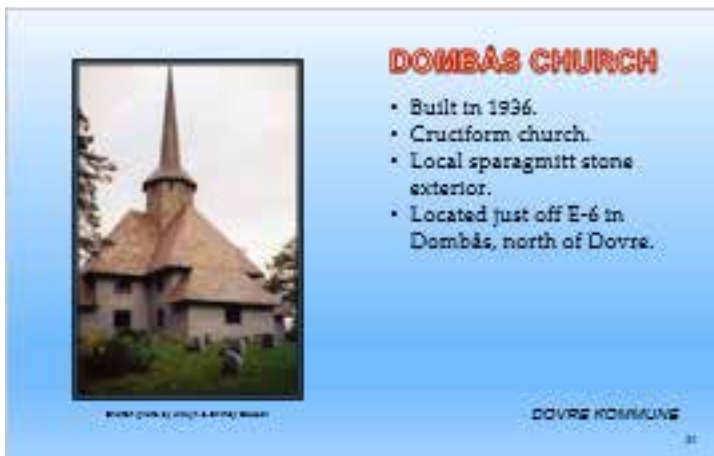
1. In 1969 the medieval church at Hjerkinden, near Eystein's (1103-1123) mountain lodges, rebuilt.
2. Serves as a gathering place for area people.
3. Pilgrim's Way goes by church.
4. Church was inspiration of Pastor Ingvald Skaare, our guest at 50th Lag Anniversary.

CHURCH PHOTO:  
Jan Floeter, Jun 2007.



20. EYSTEIN MT. CHURCH INTERIOR

PHOTOS:  
Pulpit photo by Jan Floeter, Jun 2007.  
Aisle photo by Kathy Pedersen, Jul 2009.  
Baptismal Font photo by Ginny Wegenast, Jun 2007.



21. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

DOMBÅS CHURCH – Dovre Kommune

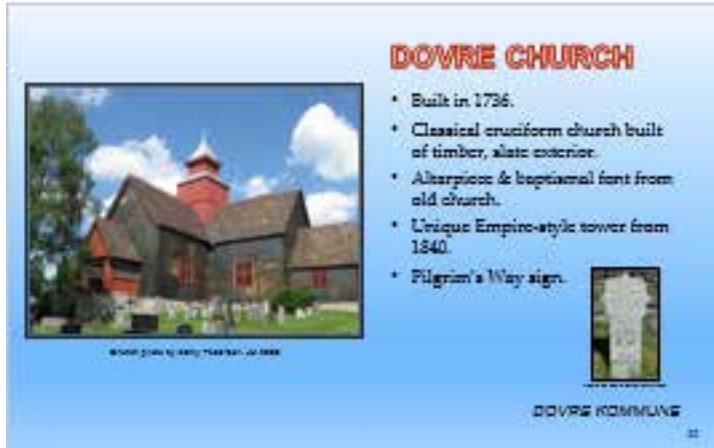
1. Built in 1936. - 5a
2. Cruciform church. - 5a
3. Local sparagmitt stone exterior. - 5a
4. Located just off E-6 in Dombås, north of Dovre.

PHOTO:

CHURCH: Allwyn and Shirley Bakken, scanned in 2009.

DESCRIPTION SOURCE:

5a. [www.gonorway.com/norway/counties/oppland/lesja/](http://www.gonorway.com/norway/counties/oppland/lesja/).



22. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

DOVRE CHURCH – Dovre Kommune

1. Built in 1736. - 4a, 4b
2. Classical cruciform church built of timber, slate exterior. - 4a
3. Altarpiece & baptismal font from old church. - 4a, 4b
4. Unique Empire-style tower from 1840. – 4c
5. Pilgrim's Way sign.

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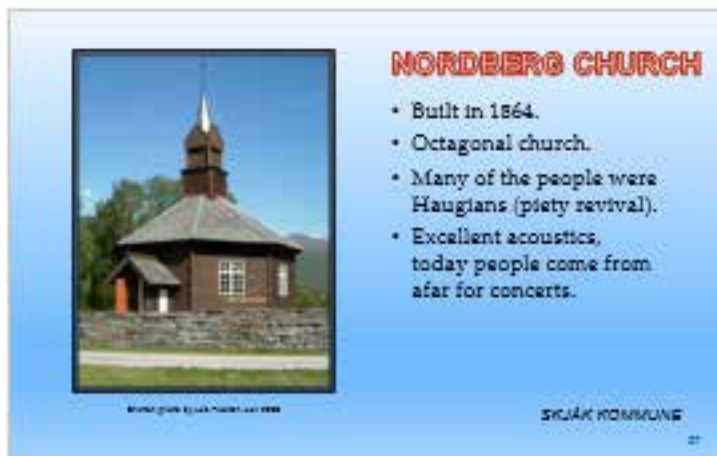
CHURCH: Kathy Pedersen, Jul 2009.

PILGRIMS WAY SIGN: Les Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

- 4a. [www.gonorway.com/norway/counties/oppland/dovre/](http://www.gonorway.com/norway/counties/oppland/dovre/)
- 4b. *The Dovre Church Historic Sheet* – located in *Lag's Dovre og Lesja Kirker* Notebook.
- 4c. *Zion's Church at Dovre is 250 Years* by Arnfinn Engen – located in *Lag Dovre kirke* notebook.





25. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

NORDBERG CHURCH – Skjåk Kommune

1. Built in 1864. - 8b
2. Octagonal church. - 8a
3. Many of the people were Haugians, after Hans Nielsen Hauge, a Norwegian lay minister who led a “Pietism revival” reform movement. - 8a
4. Excellent acoustics, today people come from afar for concerts. - 8a

PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Les Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

- 8a. Notes from guide Ola Brenna’s comments at Nordberg during 2005 tour.
- 8b. [www.visitnorway.com](http://www.visitnorway.com) dated 1/13/09.



26. NORDBERG CHURCH INTERIOR

PHOTOS:

- Altar photo by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.
- Arch/Altar photo by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.
- Pulpit photo by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.
- Ceiling/Chandelier photo by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.



27. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

SKJÅK CHURCH – Skjåk Kommune

1. Built in 1752, - 7a, 7b
2. Cruciform church. - 7a
3. Logs cut in forest, measured to size, then moved to site. - 7c, 7d
4. Jakob Klukstad carved the altar piece and pulpit. - 7a

PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Johanna Hocker, scanned 2009.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

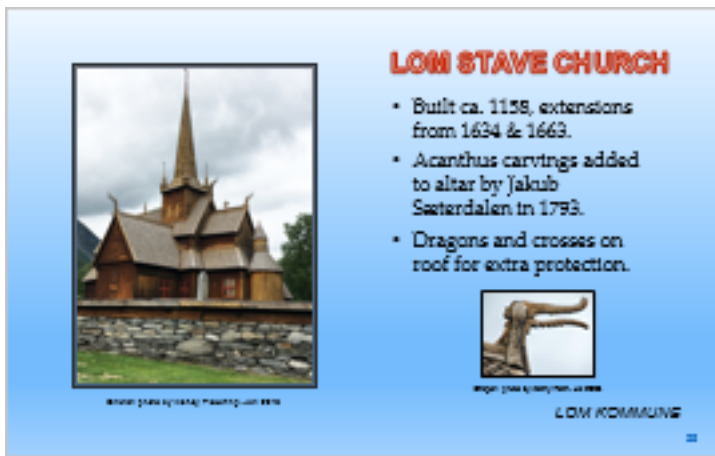
- 7a. [www.visitorway.com](http://www.visitorway.com) dated 1/13/09.
- 7b. Email from Gudbrand Skjaak dated 2/2/09 .
- 7c. Conversation with Turid \_\_\_\_, Norwegian immigrant at 2008 Stevne.
- 7d. *Skjåk Bygdebok: Bind 2*, Skjåk Church, p. 308.



28. SKJÅK CHURCH INTERIOR

PHOTOS:

- Pulpit photo by Kristin King, Aug 2012.
- Interior photo by Kristin King, Aug 2012.
- Carving Detail photo by Jan Floeter, Aug 2012.
- Altar photo by Jan Floeter, Aug 2012.



29. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

LOM STAVE CHURCH – Lom Kommune

1. Built ca. 1158, extensions from 1634 & 1663. - 9b 9c
2. Acanthus carvings added to altar by Jakob Sæterdalen in 1793. – 9b, 9d
3. Dragons and crosses on roof for extra protection. – 9c

PHOTOS:

CHURCH: By Nancy Pickering, Jun 2016.

DRAGON: By Kathy Rath, Jul 2006.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

9a. [www.gonorway.com/orway/counties/oppland/lom/](http://www.gonorway.com/orway/counties/oppland/lom/)

9b. [www.visitnorway.com](http://www.visitnorway.com) dated 1/13/09.

9c. Trip notes on Lom from 2005.

9d. *Lom stave church: A short history Brochure.*



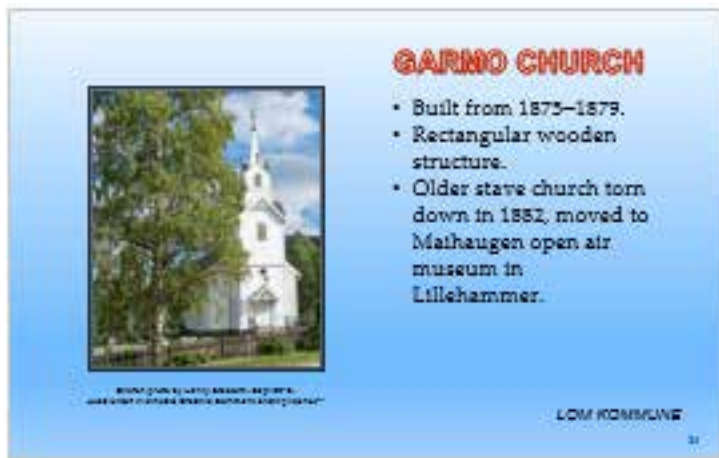
30. LOM STAVE CHURCH INTERIOR

PHOTOS:

Interior photo by Ginny Wegenast.

Pulpit carving closeup photo by Jan Floeter, Aug 2012.

Pulpit photo by Jan Floeter, Aug 2012.



31. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

GARMO CHURCH – Lom Kommune

1. Built from 1875–1879. - 10b
2. Rectangular wooden structure.
3. Older stave church torn down in 1882, moved to Maihaugen open air museum in Lillehammer. - 10b

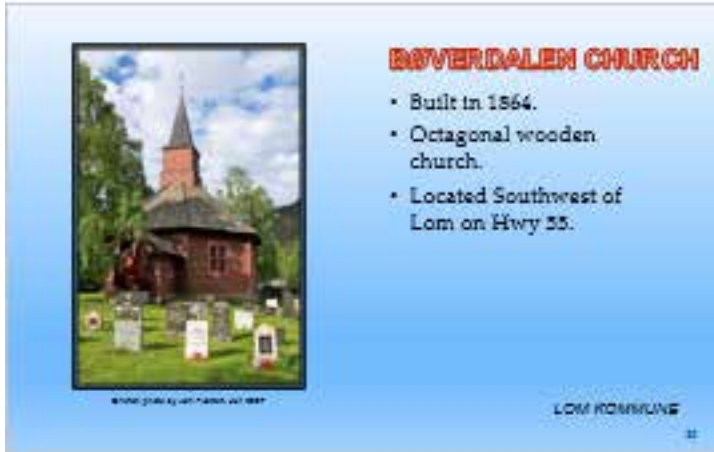
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DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

- 10b. [www.visitnorway.com](http://www.visitnorway.com) dated 1/13/09.



32. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

BØVERDALEN CHURCH – Lom Kommune

1. Built in 1864. - 11a
2. Octagonal wooden church. - 11a
3. Located Southwest of Lom on Hwy 55.

PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2007.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

- 11a. [www.visitnorway.com](http://www.visitnorway.com) dated 1/13/09.



### 33. BØVERDALEN CHURCH INTERIOR

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Pulpit photo by Kathy Pedersen, Jun 2009.

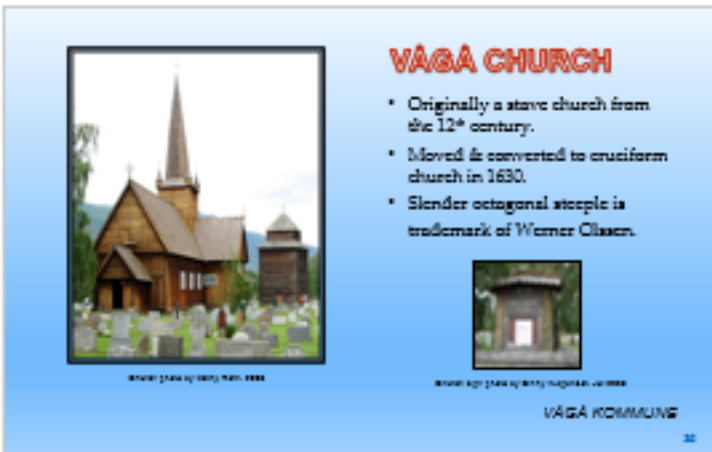
Altar photo by Kathy Pedersen, Jun 2009.



### 34. MAPS SHOWING LOCATION OF CHURCHES IN VÅGÅ & SEL KOMMUNER

IMAGES: Parish map and Coats of Arms previously identified.

Roadmap from Google Maps with additional points and labels added.



35. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

VÅGÅ CHURCH – Vågå Kommune

1. Originally a stave church from the 12th century. - 12a, 12d
2. Moved & converted to cruciform church in 1630. - 12a, 12d
3. Slender octagonal steeple is trademark of Werner Olssen. - 12a, 12d

PHOTOS:

CHURCH: By Kathy Rath, 2006.

CHURCH SIGN: By Ginny Wegenast, Jul 2008.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

12a. The oldest church in Vågå – 2 page flyer – located in Lag's *Vågå Sel og Heidal Kirker* Notebook.

12d. Vågåkyrkja Booklet – located in Lag's *Vågå, Sel og Heidal Kirker* Notebook.



36. VÅGÅ CHURCH INTERIOR

PHOTOS:

Pulpit photo by Kathy Pedersen, Jul 2009.

Altar photo by Jan Floeter, Aug 2012.

Wall images photo by Jan Floeter, Aug 2012.

Church entry door detail from Stave Church by Kathy Rath, Jul 2008.



37. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

SEL CHURCH (at Selverket) – Sel Kommune

1. Built in 1742. - 13a, 13b
2. Paneled log construction. - 13b
3. Pilgrim's Way sign.
4. Masterpiece altarpiece by Estin Kjørn in 1783. - 13a, 13b
5. Fence from local slate and soap-stone. - 13a, 13b

PHOTOS:

CHURCH: By Les Floeter, Jun 2005.

PILGRIM'S WAY SIGN: By Les Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

13a. Sel Church Article – By Joan Dosseth Skalbeck.

13b. The Churches of Sel – flyer – located in Lag's *Vågå, Sel og Heidal Kirken* Notebook.



38. SEL CHURCH INTERIOR

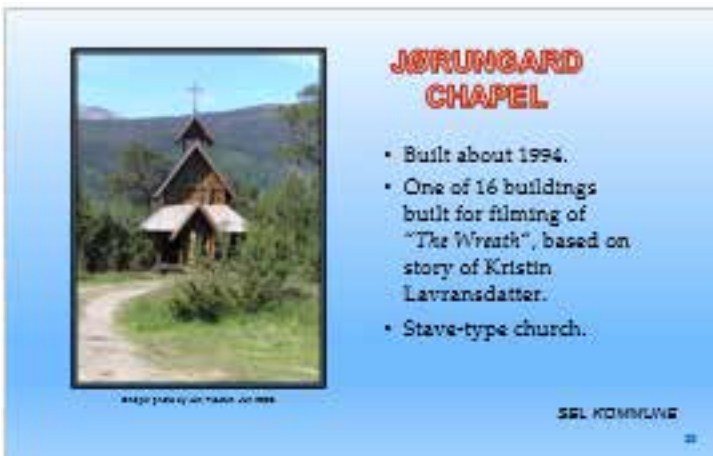
PHOTOS:

Altarpiece photo by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

Stained Glass Windows photo by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

Organ Pipe photo by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

Pulpit photo by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.



39. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

JØRUNGARD CHAPEL – Sel Kommune

1. Built about 1994.
2. One of 16 buildings built for filming of "The Wreath", based on story of Kristin Larvansdatter.
3. Stave type church.

PHOTO:

CHAPEL: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCE:

15. Based on 2005 visit to Jørungard.

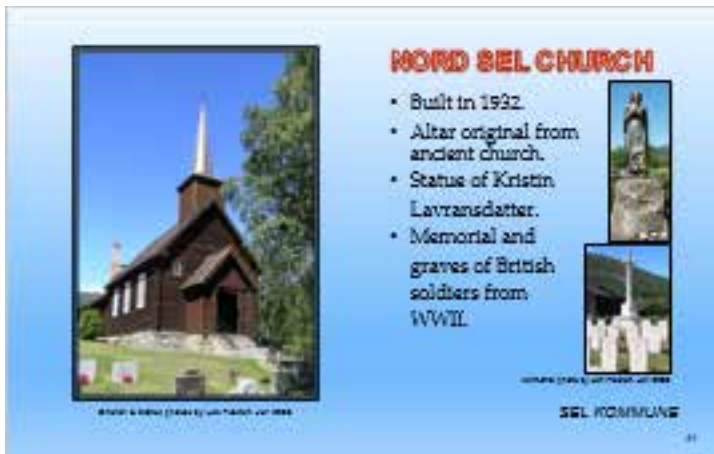


40. JØRUNGARD CHAPEL INTERIOR

PHOTOS:

Altarpiece by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

Three wall panels (from a set of 9) by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.



41. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

NORD SEL CHURCH – Sel Kommune

1. Built in 1932 .- 14a
2. Altar original from ancient church. - 14a
3. Statue of Kristin Lavransdatter. - Photo
4. Memorial and graves of British soldiers from WWII.

PHOTOS:

CHURCH: By Les Floeter, Jun 2005.

STATUE: By Les Floeter, Jun 2005.

WWII WAR MEMORIAL: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

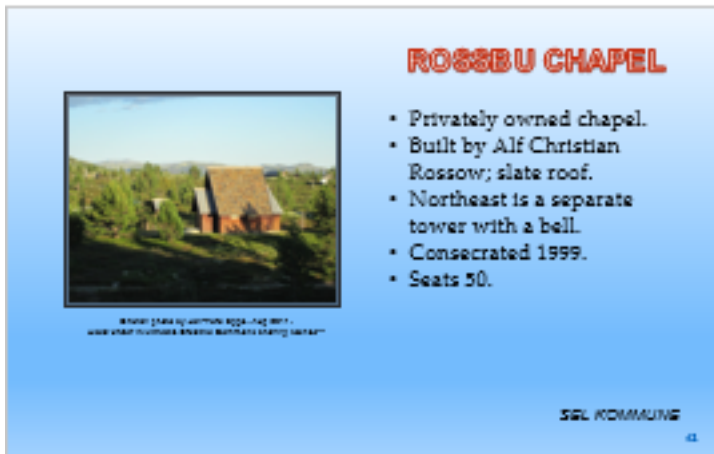
14a. *The Churches of Sel* – flyer – located in the Lag's Vågå, Sel og Heidal Kirken Notebook.



42. NORD SEL CHURCH INTERIOR

PHOTOS:

Altar, baptismal font, and carved wall panel photos by Ginny Wegenast, Jul 2008.



43. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

ROSSBU CHAPEL – Sel Kommune

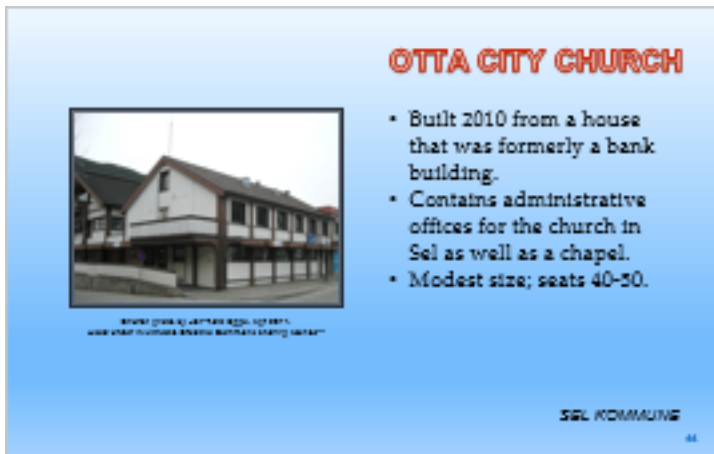
1. Privately owned chapel.
2. Built by Alf Christian Rossow; slate roof.
3. Northeast is a separate tower with a bell.
4. Consecrated 1999.
5. Seats 50.

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DESCRIPTION SOURCE:

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44. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

OTTA CITY CHURCH (“Otta Bykirke”) – Sel Kommune

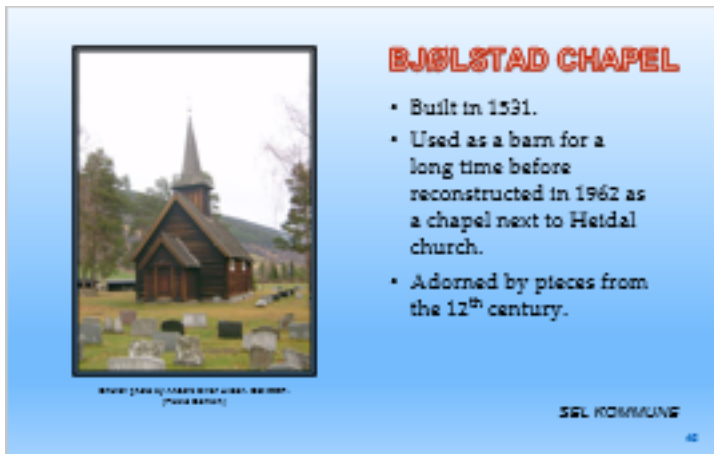
1. Built 2010 from a house that was formerly a bank building.
2. Contains administrative offices for the church in Sel as well as a chapel.
3. Modest size; seats 40-50.

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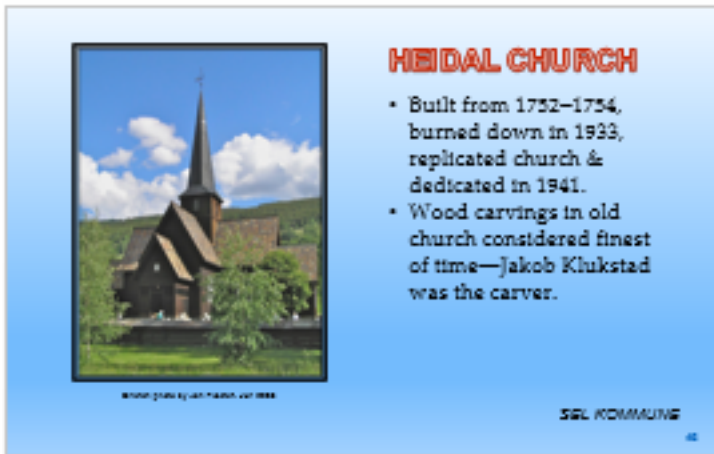
BJØLSTAD CHAPEL – Sel Kommune

1. Built in 1531. – 17a
2. Used as a barn for a long time before reconstructed in 1962 as a chapel next to Heidal church. – 17a
3. Adorned by pieces from the 12th century. – 12a

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DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

17a. *The Churches of Sel* – flyer – located in Lag's Vågå, *Sel og Heidal Kirken* Notebook.



46. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

HEIDAL CHURCH – Sel Kommune

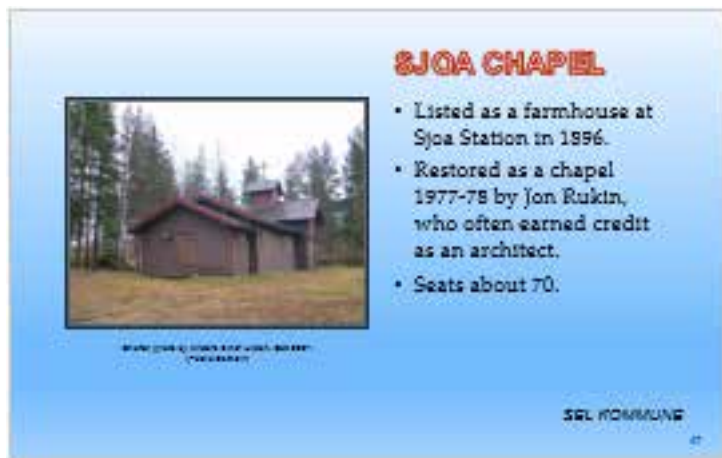
1. Built in 1752, burned down in 1933, replicated church & dedicated in 1941. – 16a
2. Wood carvings in old church considered finest of time – Jakob Klukstad was the carver. – 16a, 16b

PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

- 16a. *The Churches of Sel* – flyer – located in the Lag's Vågå, *Sel og Heidal Kirker* Notebook.  
 16b. Trip notes on Heidal Church from 2005.



47. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

SJOA CHAPEL–Sel Kommune

1. Listed as a farmhouse at Sjoa Station in 1896.
2. Restored as a chapel 1977-78 by Jon Rukin, who often earned credit as an architect.
3. Seats about 70.

PHOTO:

By Anders Einar Hilden, Oct 2007, found on Wikipedia and Wikimedia Commons.

[https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sjoa\\_kapell#/media/File:Sjoa\\_chapel,\\_Sel,\\_Norway.jpg](https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sjoa_kapell#/media/File:Sjoa_chapel,_Sel,_Norway.jpg).  
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DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

From Norwegian Wikipedia page:  
[https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sjoa\\_kapell](https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sjoa_kapell).



48. MAPS SHOWING LOCATION OF CHURCHES IN NORD-FRON KOMMUNE

IMAGES: Parish map and Coats of Arms previously identified.  
Roadmap from Google Maps with additional points and labels added.



49. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

SKÅBU CHURCH – Nord-Fron Kommune

1. Outline of older church found above the Melgard farm. – 20d
2. Consecrated in 1927. – 20a, 20c
3. Church noted in writings from 1775 and 1785. – 20d
4. Interior has beautiful acanthus wood carvings. – Postcard

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

- 20a. [www.gonorway.com/norway/counties/oppland/nordfron/](http://www.gonorway.com/norway/counties/oppland/nordfron/) dated 1/23/09.
- 20b. Postcard of Skåbu altar.
- 20c. Trip notes Skåbu from 2007.
- 20d. *Skåbu Kyrkje* Book, translated.

PHOTO:

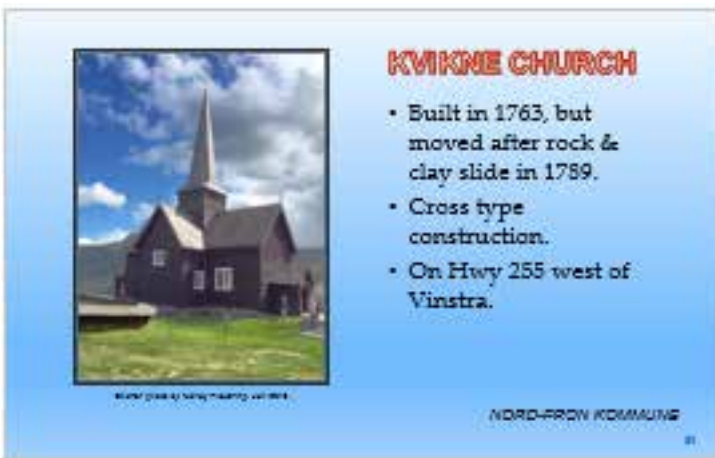
CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2007.



50. SKÅBU CHURCH INTERIOR

PHOTOS:

Altarpiece and two carving closeup photos by Ginny Wegenast, Jun 2007.



51. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

KVIKNE CHURCH – Nord-Fron Kommune

1. Built in 1763, but moved after rock & clay slide in 1789. – 21a
2. Cross type construction. – 21a
3. On Hwy 255 west of Vinstra.

PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Nancy Pickering, Jun 2016.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

21a. [www.gonorway.com/norway/counties/oppland/nordfron/](http://www.gonorway.com/norway/counties/oppland/nordfron/) dated 1/23/09.

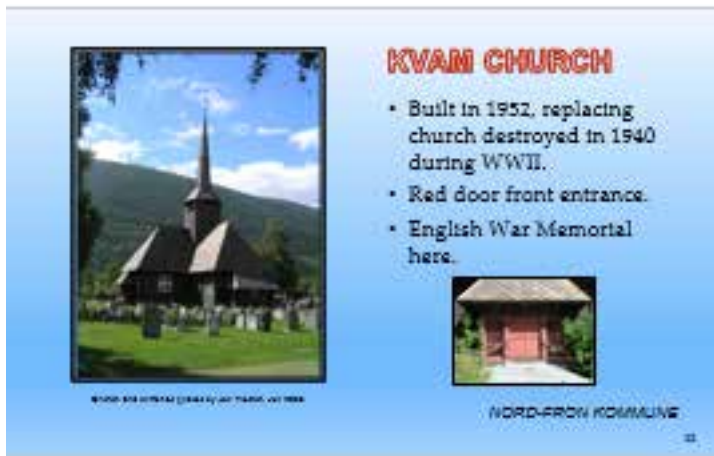


52. KVIKNE CHURCH INTERIOR

PHOTOS:

Interior, including closeup of pulpit carving, by Nancy Pickering, Jun 2016.

Gravestone display in the churchyard by Nancy Pickering, Jun 2016.



53. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

KVAM CHURCH – Nord-Fron Kommune

1. Built in 1952, replacing church destroyed in 1940 during WWII. – 22a
2. Red door front entrance. - Photo
3. English War Memorial here.

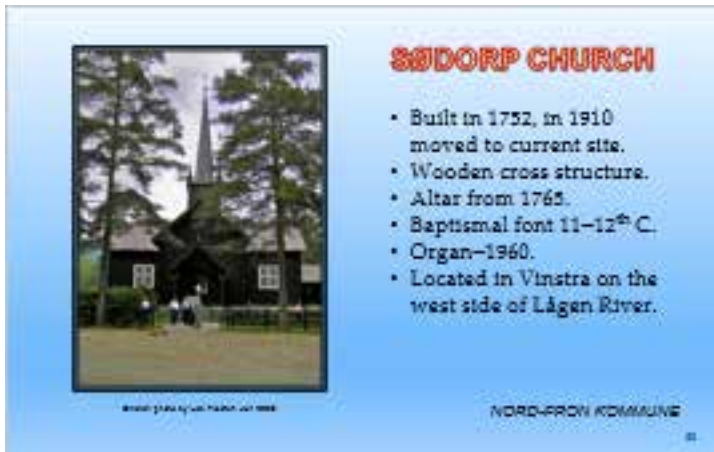
PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

CHURCH FRONT DOOR: By Jan Floeter, 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCE:

22a. Trip notes Kvam from 2005.



54. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

SØDORP CHURCH – Nord-Fron Kommune

1. Built in 1752, in 1910 moved to current site. – 18a, 18b
2. Wooden cross structure. – 18b
3. Altar from 1765. – 18a
4. Baptismal font 11-12th century. – 18b (13th-14th century appeared in other materials)
5. Organ – 1960. – 18a
6. Located in Vinstra on west side of Lågen River.

PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Les Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

18a. *Sødorp Kyrkje og Kapell* brochure.

18b. *Sødorp Kyrkje – 1852-2002 150th* booklet – located in Lag's *Fron Kirker* Notebook.



## 55. SØDORP CHURCH INTERIOR

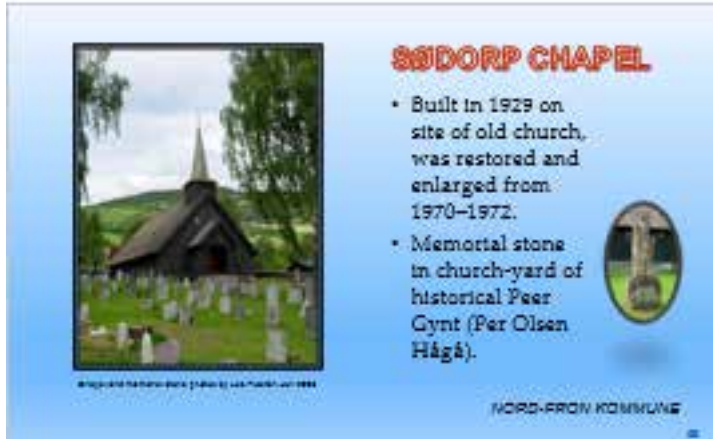
### PHOTOS:

Carved Pulpit and pews by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

Woven wall hanging by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

Baptismal font by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

Arch and altar photos by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.



## 56. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

### SØDORP CHAPEL

1. Built in 1929 on site of old church, was restored and enlarged from 1970-1972. – 19a

2. Memorial stone in church-yard of historical Peer Gynt (Per Olsen Hågå). – 19a

### PHOTO:

CHAPEL: By Les Floeter, Jun 2005.

MEMORIAL STONE: By Les Floeter, Jun 2005.

### DESCRIPTION SOURCE:

19a. *Sødorp Kyrkje og Kapell* brochure located in the *Lag's Fron Kirker* Notebook.



57. MAPS SHOWING LOCATION OF CHURCHES IN SØR-FRON KOMMUNE

IMAGES: Parish map and Coats of Arms previously identified.  
 Roadmap from Google Maps with additional points and labels added.



58. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

SØR-FRON “CATHEDRAL” CHURCH – Sør-Fron Kommune

1. Built in 1789, restored 1956 – slate roof. – 23b
2. Large octagonal shape, unequal side widths. – 23a
3. Baroque style, seats 750.
4. In 1920, lag started pipe organ fund.
5. 1000-year monument of valley churches.

PHOTOS:

CHURCH and DOORWAY INSET: By Gary Romsaas, Aug 2012.

MONUMENT: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

23a. Sør-Fron flyer – located in *Lag Fron Kirke* notebook.

23c. Trip notes on Sør-Fron from 2005.

Norwegian-language version of Wikipedia: [https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sør-Fron\\_kirke](https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sør-Fron_kirke).



59. SØR-FRON “CATHEDRAL” CHURCH INTERIOR

PHOTOS:

- Upper Floor Balcony at left by Joy Paulson, Jun 2007.
- Sanctuary & Nave at right by Joy Paulson, Jun 2007.
- Baroque-style Pulpit Closeup at center by Joy Paulson, Jun 2007.



60. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

ESPEDALEN MT. CHURCH – Sør-Fron Kommune

1. Built in 1974. – 24a, 24c
2. Contemporary church characterizes peace, harmony, & light. – 24a,b,c
3. Community gatherings. – 24b
4. Old unique cemetery.

PHOTOS:

- CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.
- MARKER: By Les Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

- 24a. The Mountain Chapel in Espedalen -2 page sheets.
- 24b. Trip notes on Espedalen from 2005.
- 24c. <http://knol.google.com/k/arnt-rekstad/sr-fron> dated 1/23/09.



61. ESPEDALEN MT. CHURCH INTERIOR

PHOTOS:

Church interior views of the Altar, and of the Chandelier, by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.



62. MAPS SHOWING LOCATION OF CHURCHES IN RINGEBU KOMMUNE

IMAGES: Parish map and Coats of Arms previously identified.  
Roadmap from Google Maps with additional points and labels added.



63. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

RINGEBU STAVE CHURCH – Ringebru Kommune

1. Built ca. 1220, enlarged in 1630, restored in 1921. – 25e
2. Received its red tower about 1630. – 25e
3. Has large entrance gate to the church. - Photo

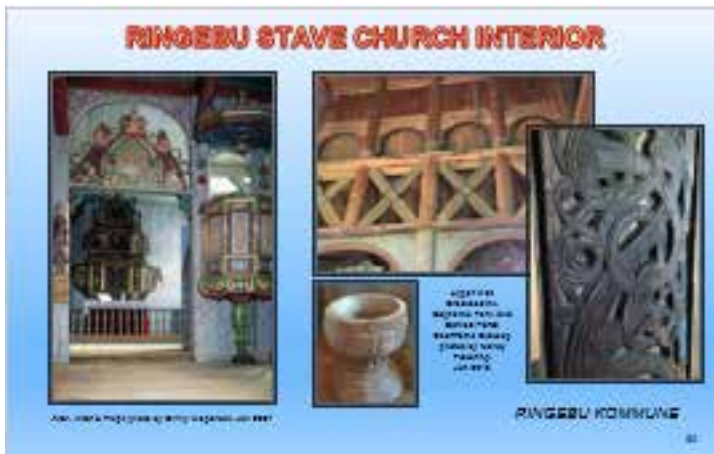
PHOTOS:

CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2007.

CHURCH GATE: By Les Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

25e. *Ringebru Stavkyrkje* Brochure – located in the Lag's *Ringebru Kirker* Notebook.



64. RINGEBU STAVE CHURCH INTERIOR

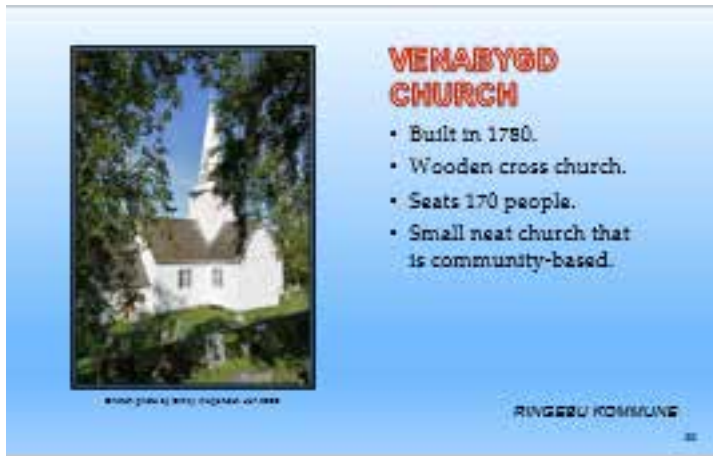
PHOTOS:

Arch, Altar & Pulpit photo by Ginny Wegenast, Jun 2007.

Upper Wall Crossbeams by Nancy Pickering, Jun 2016.

Baptismal Font by Nancy Pickering, Jun 2016.

Carved Portal Doorframe Closeup photo by Nancy Pickering, Jun 2016.



65. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

VENABYGD CHURCH – Ringebu Kommune

1. Built in 1780.
2. Wooden cross church.
3. Seats 170 people.
4. Small neat church that is community-based.

PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Ginny Wegenest, Jun 2008.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES: 28

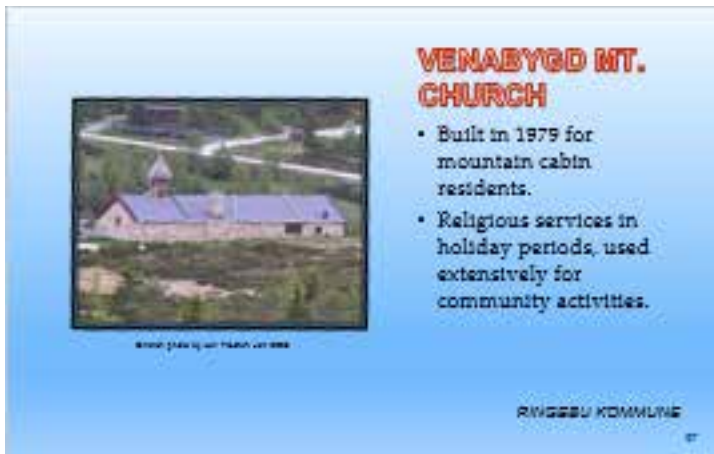


66. VENABYGD CHURCH INTERIOR

PHOTOS:

Organ photo by Ginny Wegenast, Jun 2008.

Pulpit and Altar photo by Ginny Wegenast, Jun 2008.



67. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

VENABYGD MT. CHURCH – Ringebu Kommune

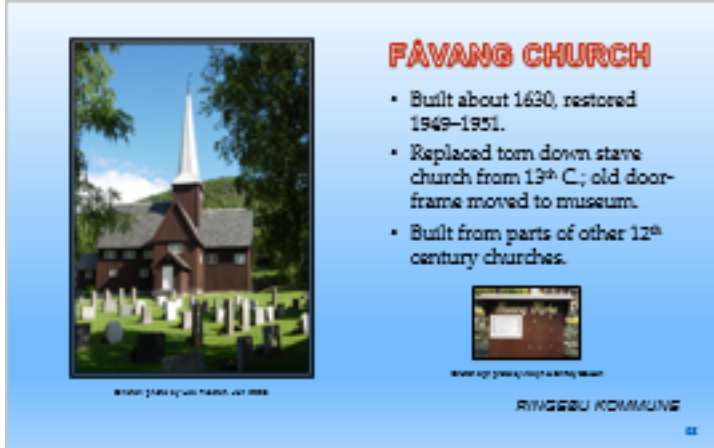
1. Built in 1979 for mountain cabin residents. – 29a
2. Religious services in holiday periods, used extensively for community activities. – 29a

PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

29a. Visited Venabygd Mt. Church on 2005 tour.



68. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

FÅVANG CHURCH – Ringebu Kommune

1. (Previously stated it was built in 1723). Built about 1630, restored 1949–1951. – 26a, 26b)
2. Replaced torn down stave church from 13th C.; old door-frame moved to museum. – 26a, 26b, Wikimedia
3. Built from parts of other 12th century churches. – 26a

PHOTOS:

CHURCH: By Les Floeter, Jun 2005.

CHURCH SIGN: By Allwyn and Shirley Bakken, scanned in 2009.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

- 26a. *Fåvang Church* Pamphlet located in the Lag's *Ringebu Kirker* Notebook.
- 26b. Trip notes on Fåvang Church from 2005. Additional information from [https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fåvang\\_kirke](https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fåvang_kirke).



## 69. FÅVANG CHURCH INTERIOR

### PHOTOS:

Altar, Arch, and Pulpit photos by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

Church portal from original Fåvang Stave Church, now in the Cultural History Museum, Oslo.

Photo by Wolfmann, Dec 2017, and used under the Wikimedia Creative Commons Attribution Share Alike 3.0 or 4.0 International license.

Source: [https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Kulturhistorisk\\_Museum,\\_Oslo,\\_Norway.\\_Stave\\_church\\_portal\\_%28stavkirkeportal%29\\_from\\_Fåvang\\_Stave\\_Church,\\_Oppland.\\_Photo\\_2017-12-14.jpg](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Kulturhistorisk_Museum,_Oslo,_Norway._Stave_church_portal_%28stavkirkeportal%29_from_Fåvang_Stave_Church,_Oppland._Photo_2017-12-14.jpg).



## 70. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

### FÅVANG KAPELLET MT. CHURCH (GULLHAUGEN) – Ringeby Kommune

1. Built in 1974 by Johan Amrud and Håkon Nybakken as a “sports chapel” at Gullhaugen.
2. Community gathers for activities, especially in summer.
3. Mountain flowers.

### PHOTOS:

CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

FLOWERS: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

### SOURCES:

26a. Visited Kapellet Mt. Church in 2005.

Additional information: [https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fåvangfjellet\\_sportskapell](https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fåvangfjellet_sportskapell).



71. FÅVANG KAPELLET MT. CHURCH (GULLHAUGEN) INTERIOR

PHOTOS:

Altar photo by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

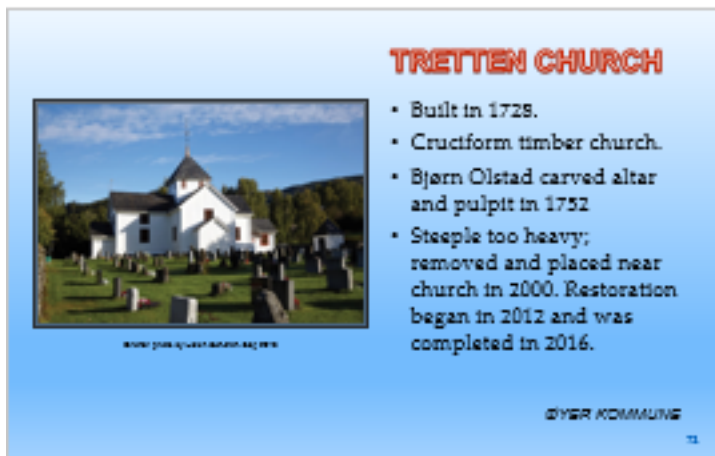
Wall plaque photos by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005: Ten Commandments and Adam and Eve.



72. MAPS SHOWING LOCATION OF CHURCHES IN ØYER KOMMUNE

IMAGES: Parish map and Coats of Arms previously identified.

Roadmap from Google Maps with additional points and labels added.



73. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

TRETEN CHURCH – Øyer Kommune

Built in 1728. – 31a

Cruciform timber church. – 31a

Bjørn Olstad carved altar and pulpit in 1752. – 31a

Steeple too heavy; removed and placed near church in 2000.

\*Restoration began in 2012 and was completed in 2016. – 31a

PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Helen Scherer, Sep 2016.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

31a. Vår Freisers Kirke på Tretten, Tretten parish council 1978 - [www.julebyen.com/cms/en/kirker-i-lillehammer/index.php](http://www.julebyen.com/cms/en/kirker-i-lillehammer/index.php).

\* Article by Helen Scherer in *Gudbrandsdalslaget Brev* newsletter, Fall 2016.



74. TRETEN CHURCH INTERIOR

PHOTOS:

Nave and Chancel photo by Helen Scherer, Sep 2016.

Ornate Chairs and Altar photos by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.



75. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

TRETTEH MT. CHURCH – Øyer kommune

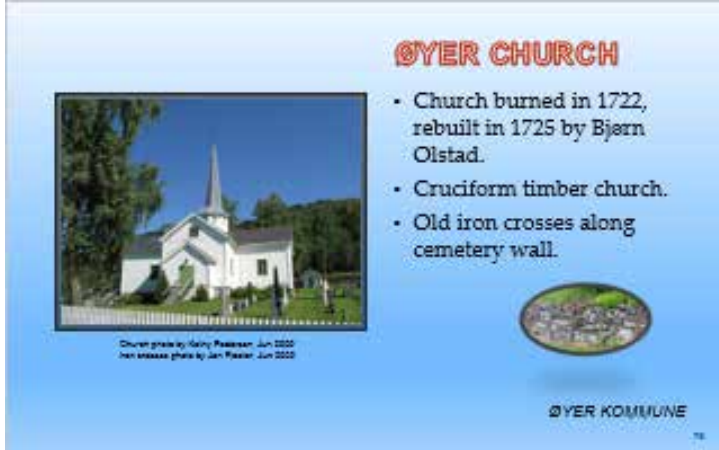
1. Open air church.
2. Located above Tretten in the mountains.

PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Les Floeter, Jun 2005.

SOURCES:

32a. Visited Tretten Mt. Church in 2005.



76. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

ØYER CHURCH – Øyer Kommune

1. Church burned in 1722, rebuilt in 1725 by Bjørn Olstad. – 30d
2. Cruciform timber church. – 30d
3. Old iron crosses along cemetery wall.

PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Kathy Pedersen, Jun 2005.

MARKERS: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

30d. *Welcome to Øyer Church Brochure.*



77. ØYER CHURCH INTERIOR

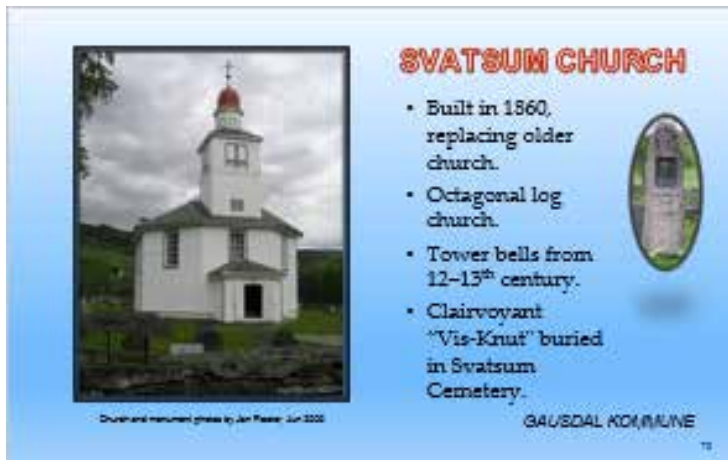
PHOTOS:

Church photos (Pulpit, Baptismal Font, and Altar) by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.



78. MAPS SHOWING LOCATION OF CHURCHES GAUSDAL KOMMUNE

IMAGES: Parish map and Coats of Arms previously identified.  
Roadmap from Google Maps with additional points and labels added.



79. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

SVATSUM CHURCH – Gausdal Kommune

1. Built in 1860, replacing older church. – 37a
2. Octagonal log church. – 37a
3. Tower bells from 12-13th century. – 37a
4. Clairvoyant "Vis-Knut" (Knut Rasmussen Nordgaarden, 1792-1876, thought to have psychic and healing abilities) buried in Svatsum Cemetery. – 37a

PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

MONUMENT: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

37a. *The Churches in Gausdal* Booklet – located in Lag's *Gausdal Kirker* Notebook.

And for Vis-Knut: [https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Knut\\_Rasmussen\\_Nordgaarden](https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Knut_Rasmussen_Nordgaarden).



80. SVATSUM CHURCH INTERIOR

PHOTOS:

Long view and frontal view of Altar, both by Ginny Wegenast, Jun 2005.



81. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

AULSTAD CHURCH – Gausdal Kommune

1. Original church built in 1726 with altar by Eistein Guttormsson Kjørrn, 1768. – 38a
2. Rebuilt in 1846. – 38a
3. Current church dates from 1864, using some materials recycled from the old Svatsum church, (demolished in 1860).

PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Ginny Weganest, Jun 2009.

SOURCES:

38a. *The Churches in Gausdal* – located in the Lag’s Gausdal Kirker Notebook.

First bullet credit for Kjørrn and third bullet comes from the Norwegian Wikipedia page [https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aulstad\\_kirke](https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aulstad_kirke).



82. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

VESTRE GAUSDAL CHURCH – Gausdal Kommune

1. Built in 1784. – 36a
2. Also known as “Nykirke”. – 36a (Note: several churches in Norway have this nickname).
3. Cruciform church. – 36a
4. Located in Forset, 17 miles Northwest of Lillehammer. – 36a

PHOTOS:

CHURCH: By Frances Cohn, Sep 2010.

CHURCH SIGN: By Ginny Weganest, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

36a. *The Churches of Gausdal* Booklet – located in the Lag’s *Gausdal Kirker* Notebook.



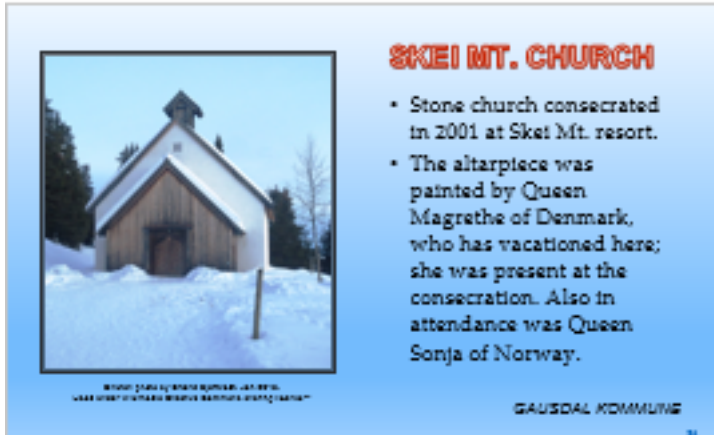
### 83. VESTRE GAUSDAL CHURCH INTERIOR

#### PHOTOS:

Altar by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

Baptismal Font by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

Pulpit by Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.



### 84. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

#### SKEI MT. CHURCH – Gausdal Kommune

1. Stone church consecrated in 2001 at Skei Mt. resort. – 35a
2. The altarpiece was painted by Queen Magrethe of Denmark, who has vacationed here; she was present at the consecration. Also in attendance was Queen Sonja of Norway. – 35a

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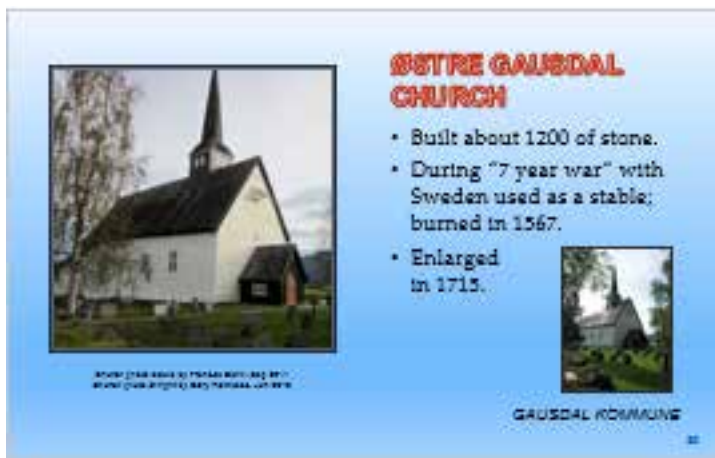
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#### DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

35a. *The Churches in Gausdal* booklet – located in Lag's *Gausdal Kirker* Notebook.

Additional: Norwegian Wikipedia topic "Skei Fjellkirke": [https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skei\\_fjellkirke](https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skei_fjellkirke).



85. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

ØSTRE GAUSDAL CHURCH – Gausdal Kommune

1. Built about 1200 of stone. – 33a
2. During “7 year war” with Sweden used as a stable, burned in 1567. – 33a
3. Enlarged in 1715. – 33b

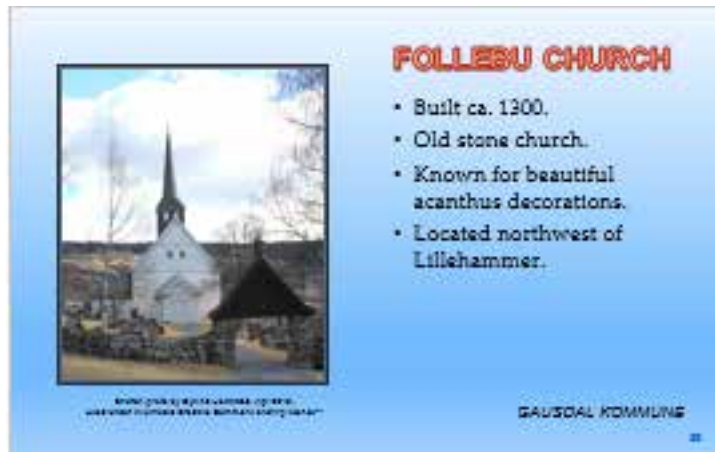
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CHURCH: Above by Frances Cohn, Sep 2011.

CHURCH: Lower right by Gary Romsaas, Jun 2010.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

- 33a. *The Churches in Gausdal* – located in Lag’s *Gausdal Kirker* Notebook.
- 33b. Notes from 2005 trip visit to Østre Gausdal Kirke.



86. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

FOLLEBU CHURCH – Gausdal Kommune

- Built ca. 1300. – 34a
- Old stone church. - 34a
- Known for beautiful acanthus decorations. – 34a
- Located northwest of Lillehammer. – 34a

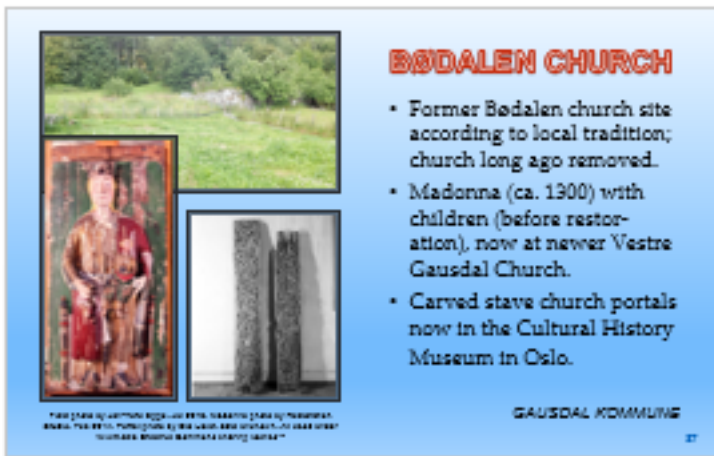
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DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

- 34a. *The Churches of Gausdal* – located in Lag’s *Gausdal Kirker* Notebook.



87. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

BØDALEN CHURCH – Gausdal Kommune

1. Former Bødalen church site according to local tradition; church long ago removed.
2. Madonna (ca. 1300) with children (before restoration), now at newer Vestre Gausdal Church.
3. Carved stave church portals now in the Cultural History Museum in Oslo.

PHOTOS:

- Field photo by Jan-Tore Egge, Jul 2016. [https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fil:Bødalen\\_kirkested.jpg#/media/File:Bødalen\\_kirkested.jpg](https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fil:Bødalen_kirkested.jpg#/media/File:Bødalen_kirkested.jpg).
- Madonna photo by Restoration Studio, Feb 2014. [https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Madonna\\_fra\\_Bødalen\\_I.jpg](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Madonna_fra_Bødalen_I.jpg).

- Portal photo by Ole Holst, date unknown. [https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fil:Bødalen\\_stavkirkeportaler\\_Ove\\_Holst\\_UiO\\_C33291.jpg#/media/File:Bødalen\\_stavkirkeportaler\\_Ove\\_Holst\\_UiO\\_C33291.jpg](https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fil:Bødalen_stavkirkeportaler_Ove_Holst_UiO_C33291.jpg#/media/File:Bødalen_stavkirkeportaler_Ove_Holst_UiO_C33291.jpg).
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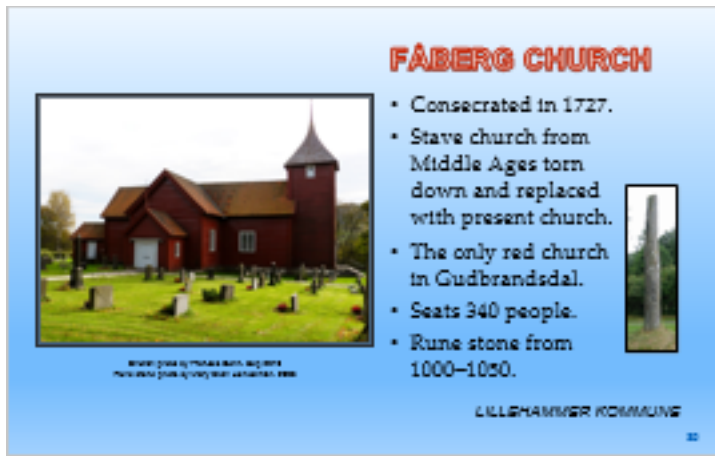
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88. MAPS SHOWING LOCATION OF CHURCHES IN LILLEHAMMER KOMMUNE

IMAGES: Parish map and Coats of Arms previously identified.  
 Roadmap from Google Maps with additional points and labels added.



89. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

FÅBERG CHURCH – Lillehammer Kommune

Consecrated in 1727. – 39a.

Stave church from Middle Ages torn down and replaced with present church. – 39c

The only red church in Gudbrandsdal.

Seats 340 people. – 39a

Rune stone from 1000-1050. – 39b

PHOTO:

CHURCH: Frances Cohn, Sep 2010.

RUNE STONE: Mary Ellen Henkelman, 2006.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

39a. *Fåberg Church* Brochure

39b. Email from Mary Ellen Henkelman, Rothchild, WI, Feb 11, 2009

39c. www.lillehammer.com dated Apr 27, 2009



90. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

SAKSUMDAL CHURCH – Lillehammer Kommune

1. Built in 1875, restored in 1934 and 1951. - 41a

2. Wooden long church structure. – 41a

3. Seats 170 people. – 41a

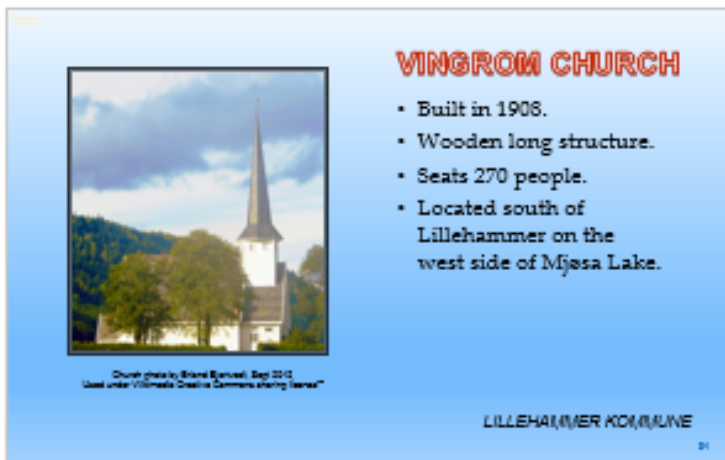
4. Located west of Lillehammer.

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DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

41a. Placeholder sheet in Lag's *Faaberg og Lillehammer Kirker* Notebook.



91. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

VINGROM CHURCH – Lillehammer Kommune

1. Built in 1908. – 40a, 40b
2. Wooden long structure. – 40a
3. Seats 270 people. – 40a
4. Located south of Lillehammer on the west side of Mjøsa Lake. – 40b

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DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

40a. Placeholder sheet in Lag's *Faaberg og Lillehammer Kirker* Notebook.

40b. [www.lillehammer.com](http://www.lillehammer.com) dated Apr 27, 2009.



92. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

NORDSÆTER MT. CHURCH – Lillehammer Kommune

1. Idea to build church goes back to 1937; WWII delayed project. – 45a
2. Constructed between 1960 & 1964. – 45a, 45b
3. Long church with standing round timber construction. – 45a, 45b

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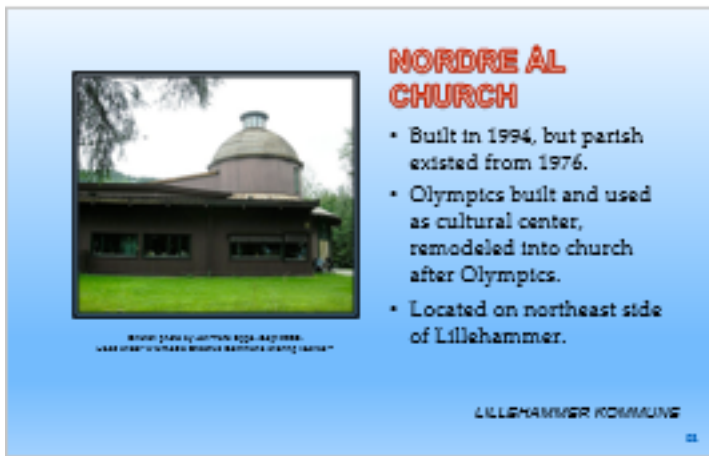
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DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

45a. [www.lillehammer.com](http://www.lillehammer.com) dated Apr 27, 2009.

45b. Placeholder in Lag's *Faaberg og Lillehammer Kirker* Notebook.



93. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

NORDRE ÅL CHURCH – Lillehammer Kommune

1. Built in 1994, but parish existed from 1976. – 43a
2. Olympics built and used as cultural center, remodeled into church after Olympics. – 43a
3. Located on northeast side of Lillehammer.

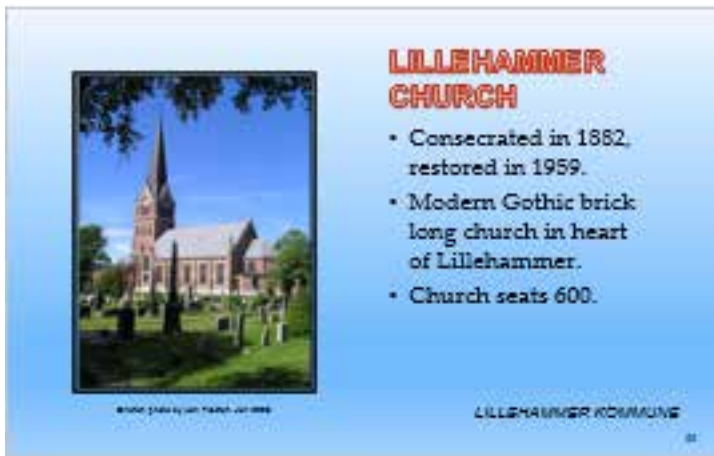
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DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

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94. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

LILLEHAMMER CHURCH – Lillehammer Kommune

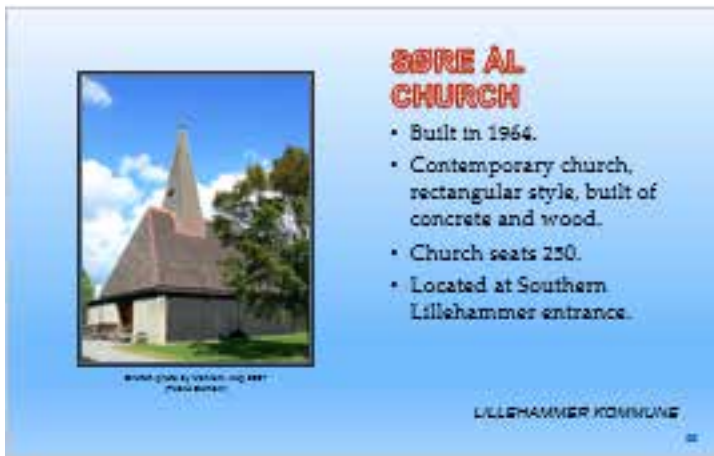
1. Consecrated in 1882, restored in 1959. – 42a, 42b
2. Modern Gothic brick long church in heart of Lillehammer. – 42b.
3. Church seats 600. – 42a

PHOTO:

CHURCH: By Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

- 42a. [www.lillehammer.com](http://www.lillehammer.com) dated Apr 23, 2009.
- 42b. [www.gonorway.com/norway/counties/oppland/lillehammer/](http://www.gonorway.com/norway/counties/oppland/lillehammer/) dated Apr 27, 2009.



95. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

SØRE ÅL CHURCH – Lillehammer Kommune

1. Built in 1964. – 44a
2. Contemporary church, rectangular style, built of concrete and wood. – 44a
3. Church seats 250. – 44a
4. Located at Southern Lillehammer entrance.

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DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

44a. Placeholder in Lag's *Faaberg og Lillehammer Kirker* Notebook.



96. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

GARMO STAVE CHURCH – Lillehammer Kommune

1. Built between ca. 1150 (46b) & 1200 in Garmo. (46a)
2. Taken down in 1882; moved to Lillehammer and rebuilt at Maihaugen in 1920-21. – 46a, 46b
3. Lars Thorkveen, Lag 1st president, instrumental in getting church moved.

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CHURCH: Jan Floeter, Jun 2005.

DESCRIPTION SOURCES:

- 46a. [www.lillehammer.com](http://www.lillehammer.com) dated Apr 27, 2009.
- 46b. [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Garmo\\_stave\\_church](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Garmo_stave_church).



**FISKERKAPELLET AT MAIHAUGEN**

- Fishing Chapel at Maihaugen (at Breisjøen).
- Originally located in Fåberg, and consecrated 1459 per Latin inscription.
- The only preserved medieval log cog-jointed church building in Norway.

LILLEHAMMER KOMMUNE

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DESCRIPTION SOURCE:

Norwegian Wikipedia: <https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fiskerkapellet>.



**ISUMKAPELLET AT MAIHAUGEN**

- Pieces found in barn on Isum in Sør Fron, and named for the medieval chapel there, but actually dates from around 1630. Set up near Garden Bjørnstad at Maihaugen.
- Interior painted in white acanthus motif.
- Possibly originally part of a 2-story building.

LILLEHAMMER KOMMUNE

98. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

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99. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

MARIAKIRKEN (St. Mary's Catholic Church)– Lillehammer Kommune

1. St. Mary's Catholic Church, built 1970, consecrated 2010.
2. Located in Suttestad, just south of Lillehammer.
3. The parish includes Ringsaker in Hedmark, and also operates chapels in Gjøvik, Oppa, and Dokka.

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SOURCE:

Norwegian Wikipedia: [https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mariakirken\\_på\\_Lillehammer](https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mariakirken_på_Lillehammer).



100. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

LILLEHAMMER ADVENTKIRKE (Seventh-Day Adventist) – Lillehammer Kommune

1. Seventh-Day Adventist congregation.
2. Built 1974.

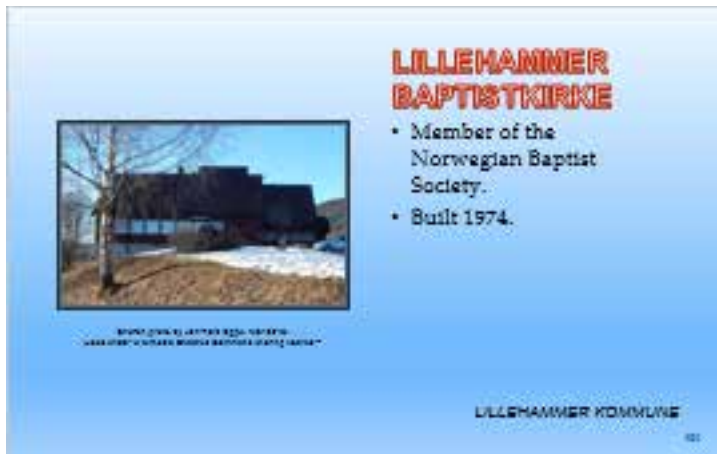
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SOURCES:

Very few found; List of Churches in Oppland (Norwegian Wikipedia) helped: [https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Liste\\_over\\_kirker\\_i\\_Oppland](https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Liste_over_kirker_i_Oppland).



101. KEYPOINTS AND SOURCES USED FOR:

LILLEHAMMER BAPTISTKIRKE- Lillehammer Kommune

1. Member of the Norwegian Baptist Society.
2. Built 1974.

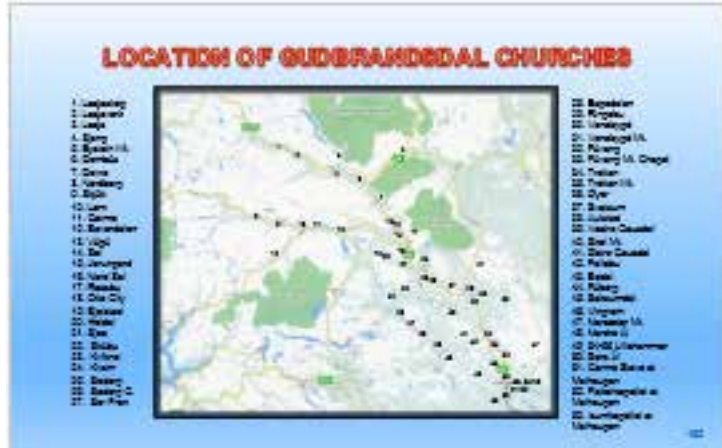
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102. LOCATION OF GUDBRANDSDAL CHURCHES

IMAGES: Roadmap from Google Maps with additional labels added.

## CHURCHES STILL TO FIND

Current or Churches from the Past

- LESJA KOMMUNE  
– Fokstugu Kapell on Pilgrim's Way
- LOM KOMMUNE  
– Sandum Kapell between Lom and Garmo
- SEL KOMMUNE  
– Baptistekirke (Otta)  
– Bræbygda  
– Kandia Kapell
- RINGEBU KOMMUNE  
– Fåvang Stubburskapell
- ØYER KOMMUNE  
– Sirabøkkapellet (private chapel)

103. CHURCHES STILL TO FIND listed by Kommune.

Most followup research began at the following page on the Norwegian version of Wikipedia, “List of Churches in Oppland”: [https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Liste\\_over\\_kirker\\_i\\_Oppland](https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Liste_over_kirker_i_Oppland).

**Lesja:** Sjong Mt. Chapel found and included; removed from list.

Fokstugu Kapell on Pilgrim's Way was found at [http://www.fokstugu.no/om\\_Gudshuset.html](http://www.fokstugu.no/om_Gudshuset.html), and the neighboring mountain lodge is listed at <http://pilegrimsleden.no/en/map/poi/fokstugu-historisk-fjellstue>. Alternate spelling: Fokstuga. References found, but no good descriptions, and photo would need permission and editing to use.

Bjorli Ice Chapel reference is at <http://www.icehotels.ca/bjorli-norway.htm>, but no usable photos, although many photos are seen at Google Images.

**Lom:** Sandum Chapel. Nothing found.

**Sel:** Sjoa found and included; removed from list.

Neither Kandia or Bræbygda found.

Baptistekirke in Otta photo found but no description. It appears to be part of a storefront. [https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Liste\\_over\\_kirker\\_i\\_Oppland#/media/File:Sel\\_baptistkirke.JPG](https://no.wikipedia.org/wiki/Liste_over_kirker_i_Oppland#/media/File:Sel_baptistkirke.JPG). Added to this list.

**Nord or Sør Fron:** Brandval was originally on the list to find, but that church is located in Kongsvinger in the jurisdiction of Hedmark. Information was found but not included here.

**Ringebu:** No references to Ringebu Chapel found but another chapel found which may have been the reference: Fåvang Kapellet Mt. Church (Gullhaugen), now included. “Ringebu Chapel” removed from this list. References to Fåvang Stubburskapell found in another context but no photos, and doesn't appear on Wikipedia. References to Sollia also found, but the parish jurisdiction transferred to Nord Østerdal Prosti, Hedmark, in 1868, so not added to this list.

**Øyer:** Sirabøkkapellet (Private Chapel) references found in research, but no photos. Added to this list.

**Gausdal:** Bødalen and Skei Mt. both found and included, and removed from this list. The former was torn down but its artifacts are mentioned in the presentation.

**Lillehammer:** Fiskerkapellet and Isumkapellet, both at Maihaugen, found and both now included; Fiskerkapellet removed from this list. Additionally, exterior photos found of other denominations in the Lillehammer kommune and included in this presentation: Mariakirken (Catholic), Adventkirke (Seventh-Day Adventist), and Baptistkirke (Baptist).

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The "Quiz" and "Your Ideas Are Welcome" slides still exist but are hidden (#105 & #106)

