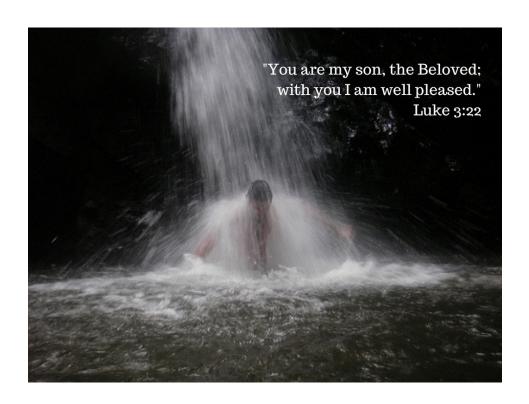
January 8, 2017 Baptism of Our Lord 11:00 AM





FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

STATEMENT OF WELCOME

We, the community of First Lutheran Church of Bothell, proclaim the message that the grace of our Lord is infinitely inclusive and that everyone is welcome. We believe that Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness in a world of alienation and brokenness.

As a Reconciling in Christ congregation and as disciples of Christ seeking justice and reconciliation among all peoples, we at First Lutheran Church welcome all into the fullness of God's love. We welcome everyone, without exception and regardless of sex, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical and mental ability, age, or station in life. We recognize that each person is a unique creation of God, and through grace, a child of God.

All are welcome at First Lutheran.

All are welcome to worship, to hear the Good News, to receive the sacraments, and to share in fellowship and service. As members of First Lutheran Church, we pledge ourselves and our congregation to exercise our faith in Christ, treasuring one another's similarities while embracing our Godgiven differences. We pledge that we will strive to live as a reconciling people, in our life together and in our outreach to the world.

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WORSHIP

- + Please sign the white card in the pew rack and hand it to an usher on your way forward for Holy Communion.
- + The service is printed in this bulletin. Some hymns are located in the red hymn book.
- Hearing enhancement receivers, large print bulletins are available. Feel free to ask an usher for assistance.
- + Our expectation is that children will be in worship. We understand, though, that there are times when your wiggly ones need a distraction. There is a "Pray Space" under the stairs in the inner narthex with soft toys and books. If you desire the nursery ask an usher for directions.
- + Public Wi-Fi password: MartyLuther.
- + If you would like to have a digital copy of the bulletin, go to our website and download the PDF. www.flcbothell.org

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE WELCOME

Assisting With Today's Service:			
Piano	June Condra	Ushers	Tom Larsen & Rob McCaw
Ensemble Leader	Richard Edmonds	Communion Assistants	Emily Curcio & Greta Nelson
Lector	Jan Anderson	Sound Tech	Jeffrey Liang
Acolyte	Karishma Skjonsby	Greeter	Greta Nelson
Violin	Alexia Payne	Percussion	Joe Siebert & Trent DeVerter

Ensemble: Scott Eiler, Rachel Jackman, Curtis Koger, Sigrun Payne, Doug Peterson, Beth & Gordy Phelps, Donella Robbins, Robyn Rydzak and Johannes Skjonsby.

MEDITATION SONG: Lord Jesus Christ, Your Light Shines



OPENING DIALOGUE: PSALM 29:

Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

The voice of the LORD is upon the mighty waters; the God of glory thunders; The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice, a voice of splendor.

The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees of Lebanon; he makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire and shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"

The LORD sits enthroned above the flood as king forevermore.

The LORD shall give strength to his people; the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

ENTRANCE HYMN: Shine, Jesus, Shine (ELW 671)



GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

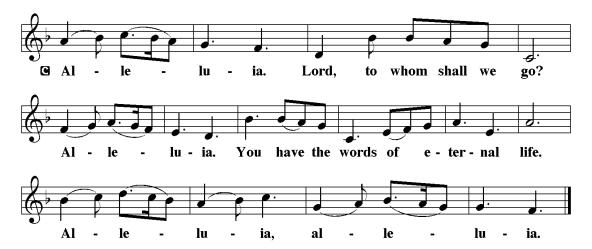
Heavenly Father, with joy and awe we praise you for claiming us as your sons and daughters, and for pouring your Holy Spirit upon us. Help us to prepare this earth for your glory, and shine your light on all your faithful children, for the sake of the one whose birth and baptism brought renewal and transformation to this world, Jesus Christ. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE: As the Deer (W&P 9)



ANTHEM: Wade In The Water (African American Spiritual)

WELCOMING THE WORD



THE WORD: Luke 3:1-22

¹In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, ²during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, ⁴as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord,

make his paths straight.

⁵Every valley shall be filled,

and every mountain and hill shall be made low,

and the crooked shall be made straight,

and the rough ways made smooth;

⁶and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

⁷John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ⁹Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire." ¹⁰And the crowds asked him, "What then should we do?" ¹¹In reply he said to

them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." ¹²Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" ¹³He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." ¹⁴Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages."

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

¹⁸So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people. ¹⁹But Herod the ruler, who had been rebuked by him because of Herodias, his brother's wife, and because of all the evil things that Herod had done, ²⁰added to them all by shutting up John in prison.

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Word of God.

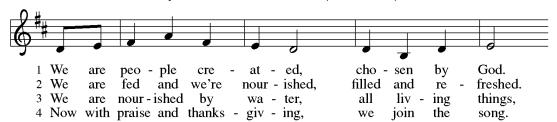
Word of Life.

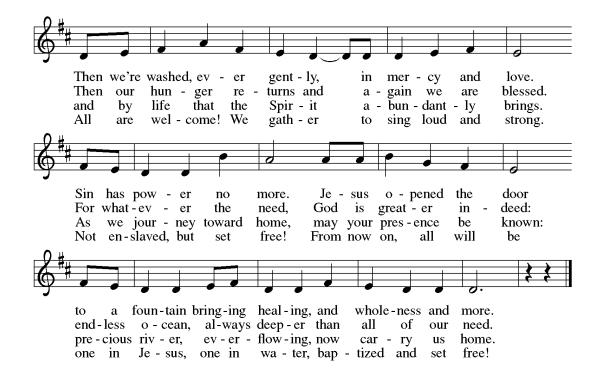
CHILDREN'S SERMON

Roger Steinke Director of REACH Ministries

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: Baptized and Set Free (ELW 453)





APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen

THE PRAYERS

Called to be a light to the nations, let us pray for God's justice, peace, and healing.

Pour out your Spirit of unity, triune God. Renew our lives in the promises of baptism. Hold us together in the oneness of the body of Christ. Empower us to be one as you are one. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Pour out your Spirit of life, eternal God. Ripple over polluted waters. Breathe on barren fields. Strengthen ancient cedars and oaks. Engage us in your care of sea, land, and sky. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Pour out your Spirit of wisdom, holy God. Guide politicians and military officials as they wrestle with complex situations. Grant them courage and compassion to work for peace in every nation, especially Syria, Palestine and our own country. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Pour out your Spirit of justice, gracious God. Heal the pain of all who are victims of crime. Be present with all who are imprisoned. Reconcile broken relationships within communities. Comfort the sick and their caregivers especially, Roger. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Pour out your Spirit of love, glorious God. Sustain all who knit prayer shawls, sew quilts, and provide housing for our neighbors who are homeless. Surround those who seek warmth and shelter with grace-filled advocates. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For whom do the people pray?

Pour out your Spirit of peace, resurrecting God. Bring all who grieve into a community rooted in you. Uphold them with your grace and keep us all grounded in your promise of life eternal. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Receive these prayers in the name of Christ, the light of the world, who is one with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-reflection.

Loving God,

we confess that we have turned from your way

to follow our own ways.

Forgive us for the times

we have spoken or acted too quickly:

we have not spoken or acted at all;

we have hurt those closest to us:

we have hurt those we have yet to know;

we have thought more about ourselves than others;

we have thought less of ourselves than we ought.

Turn us around, and give us a fresh start,

so that we can live again as your children. Amen.

Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children.

Hear God say to you now:

Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of + Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

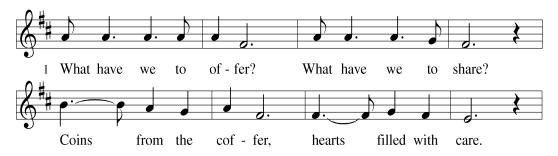
PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING The offering of flowers is given to the glory of God by Mary & Mark Hatlen & family in memory of their grandson, Matthew Oliver Danforth

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: What Have We to Offer? (W&P 156)





OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful God, receive the gifts we bring, our selves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

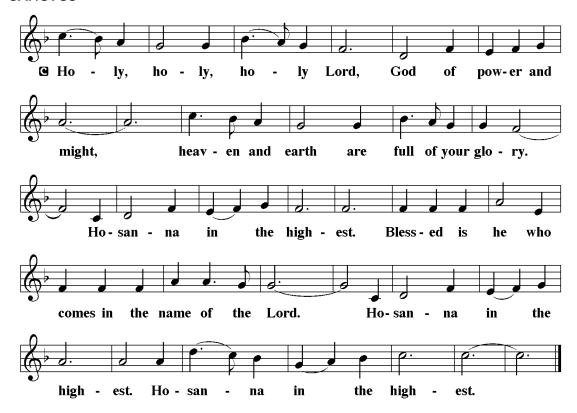
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all. By your powerful word you created all things. Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations. Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son.

As your Son provided for his disciples, we send out your servants to bring this meal to our brothers and sisters who cannot join us this day. May it be a blessing of hope and spiritual nourishment.

Through Christ all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

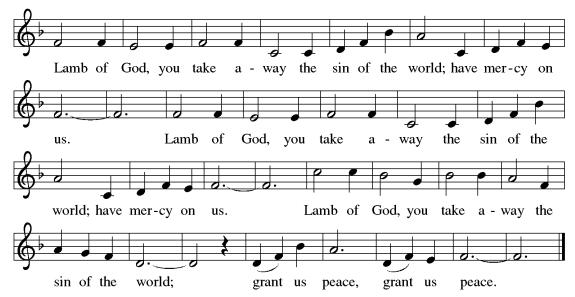
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION: We will receive the body of Christ as gluten-free bread with these or similar words: The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ will be received as either red wine or white grape juice with these or similar words: The blood of Christ, shed for you.

WHO MAY COMMUNE? All are welcome at the Lord's Table. It is a free gift given to all for the forgiveness of sins. The words "for you" really mean FOR YOU! Children may commune at the discretion of their parents. If you wish to receive a blessing: cross your arms over your chest as a sign for the communion assistants.

DIRECTIONS FOR COMMUNION: Please come forward by the center aisle at the direction of the ushers to receive the sacrament and return to your seat down the side aisle. Please register each person taking communion on a pew card.

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION SONGS:

We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus (ELW 451) Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized (ELW 304)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

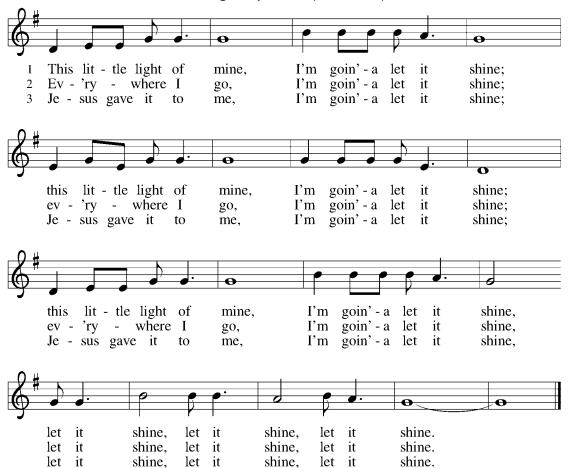
O Morning Star, fair and bright, you have refreshed us again with heavenly food. You are our dearest treasure. Go with us now—today, tomorrow, every day—that we tell the story of your never-ending love and sing your praise both now and forever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.

SENDING SONG: This Little Light of Mine (ELW 677)



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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IN OUR PRAYERS

Prayers of sympathy for Rachel & Jeff Danforth, and Mary & Mark Hatlen and family in the death of their son and grandson. Matthew Oliver Danforth on December 28th; and for Mary Anne Erickson's family in her death on January 3rd.

Our Ministry Partners:

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church, Lutheran Disaster Response, People of Allepo, Syria, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services and Texas-Louisianna Gulf Coast Synod—Flooding

Those living with cancer:

Paul Aldrich (Lageson Family friend), Carol Angello (Bob & Phyllis Watters' friend), Erika Beers (member), Danna (Cathy Tanner's friend), Neal Beachinor (Paul Desilet's uncle), Janet Berg (Pastor and Susan Berg's sister-in-law), Owen Carter (Lisa Hamilton's friend), Lynn Crutcher (Busch family friend), Joyce Daily (David Osborne's aunt), Janice Davidson (Sandy Flying Cloud's friend), Pam Davis (Phelps family friend), Craig Decker (Judy & Dave Richards' friend), Patricia Dwonch (Stephanie Almeida's aunt), Sandra Glenn (member), Mason Gordon (Curcio Family friend), Jan Gregersen (Nicole Thomas' friend), J. Cami Grillo (member), Phyllis Hoefer (Marlis Pehling's friend), Tao Hong (Joy Fu's husband), Bernie Jenkins (Jane King's friend), Edna Kastning (member), Lee Larson (Beth Phelps' cousin), Marcella (Benson family friend), Roy McMullen (Cathy Tanner's friend), Bruce Niermeyer (Cook family friend), Marvin Richter (Renee Markert's father), Bill Schenk (Melanie Veazey's cousin), Audrey Sheffler (Sherrill Baker's friend), Heather Smith (Cami Grillo's niece), Dan Thomson (Jane King's friend), Roger Tuck (Michelle Tuck's brother-in-law), Joanne Wejak (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law), Michael Wilson (Vicki Kastning's friend) and Darlene Zrust (Andrea Faubion's mother)

Those who are ill, have an injury or who are recovering from surgery:

Jay Arndtson (member), Margie Benson (member), Isabel de Jesus Congdon (Sue Toyoda's friend), Jacquie & Dick Craft (Thieme fámily friends), Stephanie Dishneau (Carlene & Sherm Russell's daughter), Cathy Edwards (member), Jess Faubion (member), Sherri Gordon (regular visitor), Marge Gonyea (member), Bernard (Buck) Kelly (Betty Kelly's husband), Annie McCracken (member), Melissa (Judy Richards' friend), John Peterson (Val Cole's father), Michael Preston (Tanya Preston's husband), Mary Riley (Donella Robbins' friend), Ryan & Sarah (Cathy Edwards' grandchildren), Karishma Skjonsby (member), Jeff Smeck (Mark Neitzel's friend), Joyce Sullivan (member), Tina (Dawn Bastin's sister), Gordon Tibbetts (Sherrill Baker's friend), Darlene Toycen (Anne & Tom Larsen's friend), Heidi Van Doren (member), Phyllis Watters (member) and Donna White (Cathy Tanner's friend).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:
Perdy Carlson (member), Claire (Sue Ebert's mother), Phyllis Enger (member), Ardyce Johnson (member),
Carol Nelson (member), Erik Olson (member), Fran Tazuma (member), Helen Young (member) and Roger **Zimmerman** (Connie Wolter's brother)

Special Prayers: Sarah & Mark Joplin (Kathy and Dick Chester's daughter & son-in-law)

Please remember to pray for peace in these war torn areas: Israel/Palestine, Syria, Afghanistan, and Iraq.

Those Serving Our Country:

AIR FORCE: Tyler Ripley (Jeanne Koruga's nephew) and Erin Siebert (Linda & Joe Siebert's daughter)

ARMY: Lucas Peters (Jim & Vernita Steege's grandson)

MARINES: James Bacon (Jeanne Koruga's friend), Olay Wampler (Elizabeth & Randall Wampler's son) and Luke Yandell (Annie McCracken's grandson)

NAVY: Karl Krueger (Karin Ulvin's friend), Toby Pickens (Jean Pickens' grandson), Kelsey Schunk (Jack Schunk's granddaughter)

> January 15, 2017 Second Sunday after Epiphany Luke 4:14-30 Sermon at Nazereth

Weekly Financial Report

Attendance: 79 January 1, 2017

General Offerings: \$5,138 Mortgage Fund: \$270

Amount needed per Sunday:

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INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, January 8

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour

11:00 am Worship

12:30 pm Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship

5:00 pm Journey Class — Dr. Lisa Graumlich, Dean of the University of Washington College of

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discussion and dinner!

7:00 pm Chime Choir

Monday, January 9

Pastor Berg's Sabbath

10:00 am Friends Supporting Friends

Tuesday, January 10

9:30 am Lectionary—Meet in the library to study next Sunday's Bible text. All are welcome!

11:00 am Staff Meeting 4:30 pm Library Committee

5:30 pm Christian Education Committee

Worship Committee

7:00 pm Finance Committee

Youth Committee

Wednesday, January 11

9:30 am WFLC (WELCA) Board Meeting

2:30 pm Liturgical Arts Guild

7:00 pm IT/Communications Meeting

Thursday, January 12

9:00 am Quilters

7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir

Friday, January 13

9:00 am WFLC (WELCA) Epiphany Event Set up

Saturday, January 14

9:00 am Men's Breakfast

6:30 pm WFLC (WELCA) Epiphany Event

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What is the "Offering?"

"Offerings" in the church service is understood to consist of the bread and the wine for the Lord's Supper. Offerings have grown to include the goods and the money we give to the Church to assist in its mission and to provide for the assistance of the needy. The act of bringing our gifts of money to the altar helps keep us mindful that we are now sharing in the work of bringing God's redeeming love to all people.

E-Giving Offering cards are available for you to drop in the plate if you give electronically. To give now, scan here.



Eucharistic Ministry

Every Sunday there are several wood boxes on the altar. These boxes are our communion kits for our Eucharistic Ministry Team. This team is made up of members of the congregation who take Holy Communion to our shut-ins, those in the hospital and others upon request. They go out two by two, just as Jesus sent his disciples out. They pray and bring comfort to those who cannot be with their worshipping community of faith.

SERMON NOTES

Interesting things I heard:

My favorite quote:

Main message:

