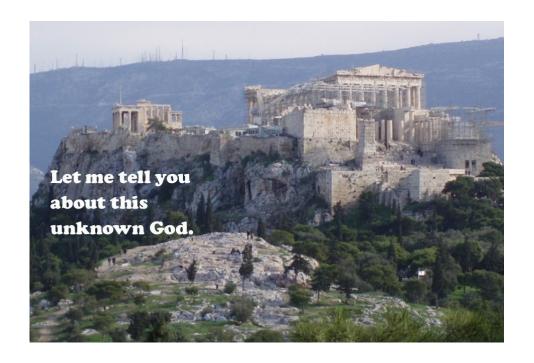
April 29, 2018 Fifth Sunday of Easter 8:30 AM





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 NOTES

- + 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: Rondeau (J. Mouret)

WELCOME

GATHERING RITE: Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Alleluia!

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and Naamah and their family. **Alleluia!**

Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. Alleluia!

At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. **Alleluia!**

By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

Alleluia!

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

Alleluia!

Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG: Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty (ELW 533)



- 1 O pen now thy gates of beau-ty, Zi on, let me en ter there,
- 2 Gra cious God, I come be fore thee; come thou al so un to me;
- 3 Here thy praise is glad ly chant-ed, here thy seed is du ly sown;
- 4 Thou my faith in-crease and quick-en, let me keep thy gift di-vine;
- 5 Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, let thy will be done in deed;



where my soul in joy - ful du - ty waits for God who an - swers prayer. where we find thee and a - dore thee, there a heav'n on earth must be. let my soul, where it is plant-ed, bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone, how - so-e'er temp - ta - tions thick-en, may thy word still o'er me shine may I un - dis - turbed draw near thee while thou dost thy peo - ple feed.



Oh, how bless-ed place, filled with so - lace, light, and grace! this my heart, oh. thou, let be thy tem - ple now! To en - ter it that all hear may be fruit - ful un - to life in SO me. star through life, my com-fort strife. my guid-ing as in all Here of life the foun - tain flows: here is balm for all our woes.

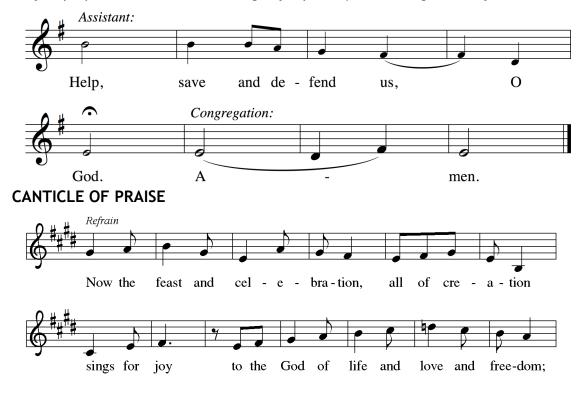
GREETING

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.**

KYRIE



For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all ... For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word ...





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

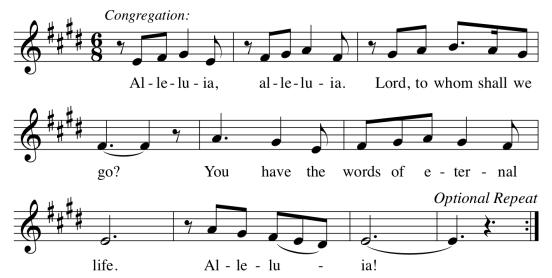
God of the unknown, your mysteries are astounding. Give us knowledge where you see fit, and let us sit comfortably with that which we can never understand. Amen.

ANTHEM: Mercy (C. Courtney)

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

WELCOMING THE WORD



THE WORD: Acts 17:16-31

¹⁶While Paul was waiting for them in Athens, he was deeply distressed to see that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he argued in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and also in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Also some Epicurean and Stoic philosophers debated with him. Some said, "What does this babbler want to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a proclaimer of foreign divinities." (This was because he was telling the good news about Jesus and the resurrection.) ¹⁹So they took him and brought him to the Areopagus and asked him, "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? ²⁰It sounds rather strange to us, so we would like to know what it means." ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners living there would spend their time in nothing but telling or hearing something new.

²²Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. ²³For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he

needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. 26 From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, 27 so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him — though indeed he is not far from each one of us. 28 For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said,

'For we too are his offspring.'

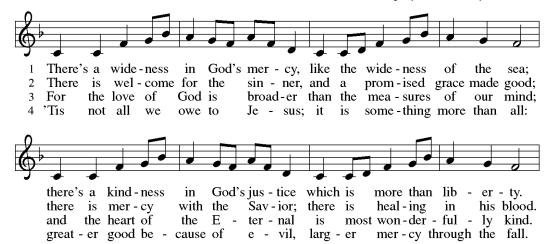
²⁹Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

Word of God, word of life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON: Roger Steinke, Director of REACH Ministries

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy (ELW 588)





There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heav'n. There is grace e - nough for thou-sands of new worlds as great as this; But we make this love too nar - row by false lim - its of our own; Make our love, O God, more faith - ful; let us take you at your word,



There is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind-ly judg-ment giv'n. there is room for fresh cre - a - tions in that up-per home of bliss. and we mag-ni - fy its strict-ness with a zeal God will not own. and our lives will be thanks-giv - ing for the good-ness of the Lord.

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814–1863, alt. Music: LORD, REVIVE US, North American, 19th cent.

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures: he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we pray for the witness of the church, the wholeness of creation, and all who are in need.

For ministries that nurture faith formation. For missionaries and Bible study leaders. For those who are seeking, questioning, or curious. For seminarians, campus ministers, and the newly baptized, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For the beauty and health of the earth. For vineyards and orchards, groves and plains. For rain forests and arctic tundra. For volcanoes and mountains, hills and valleys. For oceans deep and rivers wide, let us pray. Have mercy, O God.

For spears to be beat into pruning hooks. For harsh words to be reformed into loving speech. For bombs and sniper attacks to cease. For justice and peace in every land, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For homeless youth and rejected children. For isolated grandparents and lonely nursing home residents. For the shamed, the slighted, and the disregarded members of our communities. For all the sick, especially Donna and Brian, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For all who live with post-traumatic stress disorder and postpartum depression. For all who struggle with eating disorders and anorexia. For all who suffer in silence and all who suffer alone, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For whom do the people pray?

In thanksgiving for all the mystics and theologians who live eternally with you. For those we mourn, especially Peter and those we would rather forget. For the kingdom on earth to be as it is in heaven, let us pray. Have mercy, O God.

We entrust all our prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them by the power of the Holy Spirit and the love of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

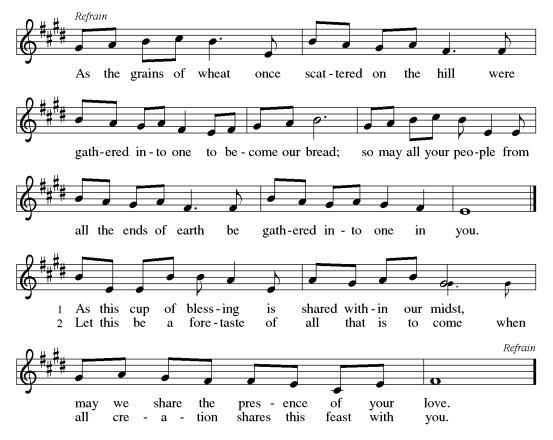
Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

MEALGod feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. 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 God.

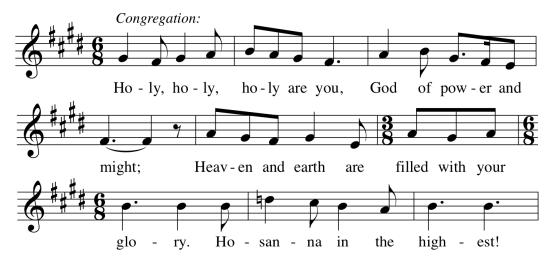
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

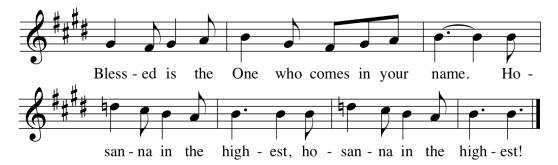
PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY





THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, living, and loving God, we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth. We bless you for bringing Noah and Naamah and their family through the waters of the flood, for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery, and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

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 life-giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup: carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ. For the homebound, may this meal be a sign of your resurrection in their lives.

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

Amen

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LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

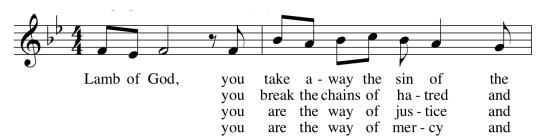
Now let us feast this Easter day on Christ, the bread of heaven. Hallelujah!

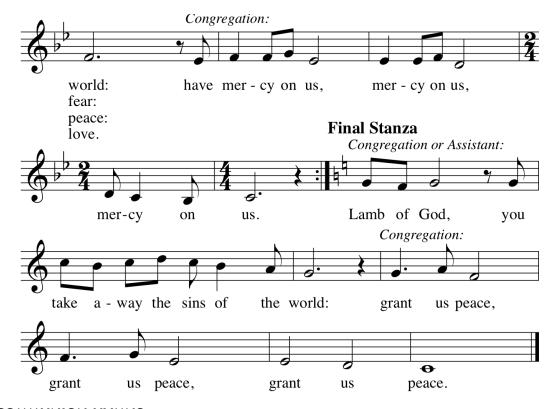
COMMUNION: We will receive the body of Christ as gluten-free bread with these or similar words: The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ will be received as either red wine or white grape juice with these or similar words: The blood of Christ, shed for you.

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 HYMNS:

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling (ELW 608)
O Bread of Life from Heaven (isometric) (ELW 480)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUILT BLESSING

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN: Seek Ye First

Joyce Thode, Director; Connie Wolter Guitar

BLESSING

May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy.

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG: O Zion, Haste (ELW 668)



DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: We Know That Christ Is Raised (Anon.)

May 6, 2018 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Philippians 1:1-18a Partnership in the Gospel

Weekly Financial Report

April 15, 2018 Attendance: 192 April 22, 2018 Attendance: 200

4/15/2018 General Offerings: \$7,857 Mortgage Fund: \$2,180 4/22/2018 General Offerings: \$11,032 Mortgage Fund: \$640

Amount needed per Sunday:

General Offerings: \$9,907 Mortgage Fund: \$1,098

Assisting With Today's Service:

Presiding: Rev. Tor Kristian Berg Preaching: Rev. Jade Chienyu Yi

Music Director	Lucy Kay Osborne	Ushers	Ryan Stute & Sue Toyoda
Acolytes	Addie & Morgan Thomas	Sound Tech	Carsten Thode
Lector	Mark Bowers	Communion Assistant	Ann Aagaard & Jean Peterson
Greeter	Jerry Bannister		

IN OUR PRAYERS

Our Ministry Partners:

Bothell Chinese Mission, Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services, Lutheran Counseling Network, Lutheran World Relief

Those living with cancer:

Paul Aldrich (Lageson Family friend), Barbara Bastin (Clint Bastin's mother), Debbie Bell (Renee Markert's cousin), Larry & Marcie Clure (Dan & Sandy Hendricks' friend), Steve Crossley (Joanne Bjornsen's friend), Joyce Daily (David Osborne's aunt), Janice Davidson (Sandy Flying Cloud's friend), Bob Davis (Curcio family friend), Patricia Dwonch (Stephanie Almeida's aunt), Mikee Epply (Elodie Ragan's friend), Mason Gordon (Curcio Family friend), Cami Grillo (member), Dee Onn Hodges (Bob Berg's friend), Edith Holbrook (member), Darryl Lageson (member), Tom McMaster (Dawn Bastin's father), Mark Nesse (Darci Desilet's stepfather), Susan Oja (Cathy Tanner's friend), Donna Osborne (Marilyn Iverson's friend), Pam (Melanie Veazey's cousin), Kenneth Rapp (Loretta Rapp's son), Marvin Richter (Renee Markert's father), Richard Robilard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Audrey Sheffler (Sherrill Baker's friend), Jen Shirley (Curcio family friend), Pam Steig (Marlis Pehling's niece), Sylvia Stevens (wife of Steve Stevens and Bob Berg's friend), Sue (Paula Glandon's friend), Mary Beth Torgerson (Cathy Tanner's friend), Roger Tuck (Michelle Tuck's brother-in-law), Kip Van Alstine (Paul Desilet's uncle), Joanne Weiak (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law) Danna White (Cathy Tanner's friend).

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

Roger Bedell (Geri Crawford's friend), Jim Conricode (member), Carter Johnsen (Joanne Bjornsen's great-grandson), Swede Johnson (Sherrill & Larry Baker's friend), Elodie Ragan (member), Sarah Henderson (Cathy Edwards' grand daughter), Mona Shogren (member), & Connie Wolter (member).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Margie Bannister (member), Phyllis Enger (member), Arlene O'Neall (Ruth & Mark Neitzel's friend), Lillian & Lawrence Romaniuk (Leon Romaniuk's parents), Eleanor Simonsen (Lisa Graumlich's motherin-law), Joyce Sullivan (member), Fran Tazuma (member), Sigrid & Manfred Thode (Carsten Thode's parents), & Phyllis Watters (member).

Please remember to pray for peace in these war torn areas:

Israel/Palestine, Syria, Afghanistan, North Korea, Somalia and Iraq.

Those Serving Our Country:

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

ARMY: Shaun Cunningham (Cris Sherman's son-in-law), **Lucas Peters** (Jim & Vernita Steege's grandson), **Asis Montalvo** (Adjorlolo family friend)

MARINES: James Bacon (Jeanne Koruga's friend) and Olav Wampler (Elizabeth & Randall Wampler's son)

NAVY: Karl Krueger (Karin Ulvin's husband), Kelsey Schunk (Jack Schunk's granddaughter), Kyle Warner (Karen and Paul Gabrielsen's grandson) & Christopher Whipple (Carolyn & Richard Whipple's son)

We are honored to be able to pray for your family members and close friends in need. Our policy is to publish immediate concerns for 2 weeks, unless we hear from you that an illness or situation is ongoing.

INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, April 29 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Quilt Blessing Sunday!

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour with Jon Buuck: Update on the work of Lutheran World Relief

Living Truth Bible Study

10:00 am Ensemble Rehearsal

11:00 am Worship

12:30 pm Bothell Chinese Mission Lunch4:00 pm Visioning Team Planning Meeting

5:00 pm Journey Class—Moral Politics presented by Ray Thomas. All are welcome; dinner

will be served.

Monday, April 30

Tuesday, May 1

9:30 am Lectionary — Meet in the library with Pastor Berg, to study next Sunday's Bible text. All are

welcome!

11:00 am Staff Meeting

6:00 pm Property Committee

7:00 pm IT Committee

Social Ministries Committee

Wednesday, May 2

9:15 am Preschool Chapel

10:00 am Deborah Circle at Jennifer Lohr's (Elodie Ragan's daughter) home

11:00 am Worship Team Meeting

12:30 pm Preschool Chapel5:30 pm Fellowship Committee

Thursday, May 3

9:00 am Quilters

9:15 am Preschool Chapel 12:30 pm Preschool Chapel 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, May 4

Church Office Closed

6:00 pm Pasta with Pastor (Full)

Saturday, May 5

9:00 am Altar Guild

Garden Guild

Sunday, May Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour

Living Truth Bible Study

10:00 am Ensemble Rehearsal

11:00 am Worship

12:30 pm Bothell Chinese Mission Lunch 1:00 pm ELCA Youth Pre-Gathering Event

SERMON NOTES

What caught my attention:
What did I hear that I am eager to share with another person?

I think the title of the sermon should be:

