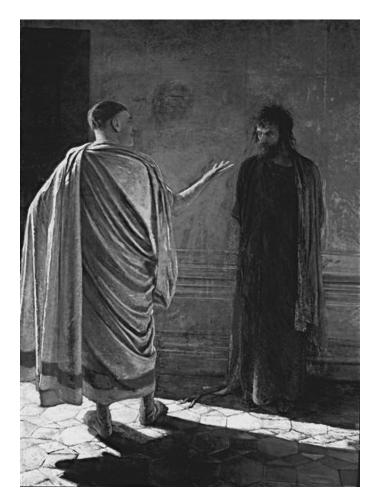
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FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH STATEMENT OF WELCOME

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 God-given 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

| Assisting With Today's Service: | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Presiding Minister: Rev. Tor K. Berg | | | | |
| | | 8:30 a | am | |
| Music Director | Lucy Kay Osborne | | Ushers | David Osborne & Carsten Thode |
| Lector | Paul Anderson | | Communion Assistants | Kris Linderoth, Brian Midtbo & Cathy Tanner |
| Acolytes | Alexa Midtbo & Jackie Fa | irbanks | Sound Tech | Terry Barker |
| | | | Greeter | Paul Anderson |
| 11:00 am | | | | |
| Ensemble Director | Richard Edmonds | Ushers | | Lloyd Condra & Walt Stoll |
| Piano | June Condra | Commu | union Assistants | Greta Nelson & Jacquie Stoll |
| | | Sound [·] | Tech | Andrew Phelps |
| Percussion | Joe Siebert | Greete | r | Emily Curcio |
| Lector | Walt Stoll | Enseml | ole | Scott Eiler, Rachel Jackman, Doug Peterson, Gordy Phelps, Donella Robbins & Johannes Skjonsby |
| | | Acolyte | | Sarah Holmes |

GATHERING

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

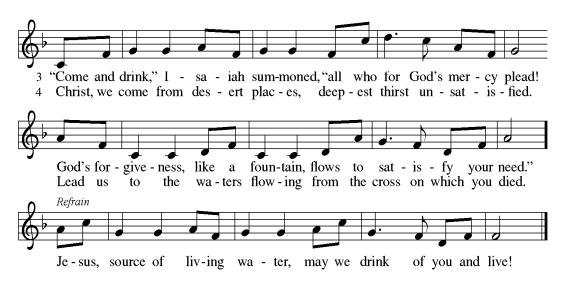
PRELUDE: If You But Trust In God To Guide You (M. Reger) I Want Jesus To Walk With Me (American Spiritual)

WELCOME

GATHERING RITE: As the Deer Runs to the River (ELW 331)



Give thanks for the gift of life offered in this water.



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.

God of truth, too often we bend truth to fit our needs. Show us how to recognize and follow your truth, shown to us by the love and life of your son, Jesus. Amen.

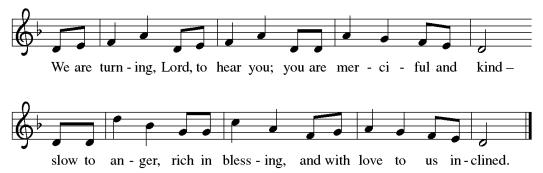
LENTEN CANTICLE: Bless Now, O God, the Journey (ELW 326)



ANTHEM: 8:30 Guide My Feet (Traditional African American) Joe Siebert, Percussion 11:00 Wash Me, Cleanse Me (Jeremy Young)

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: JOHN 18:28-40

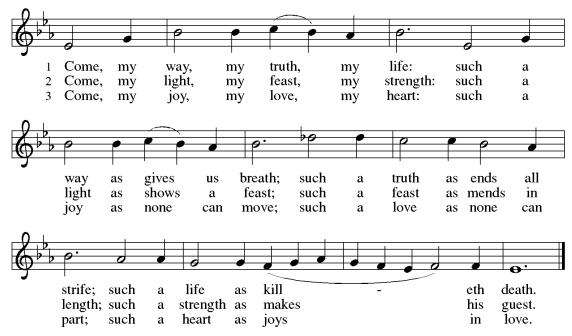
²⁸Then they took Jesus from Caiaphas to Pilate's headquarters. It was early in the morning. They themselves did not enter the headquarters, so as to avoid ritual defilement and to be able to eat the Passover. ²⁹So Pilate went out to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" ³⁰They answered, "If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you." ³¹Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law." The Jews replied, "We are not permitted to put anyone to death." ³²(This was to fulfill what Jesus had said when he indicated the kind of death he was to die.) ³³Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." ³⁸Pilate asked him, "What is truth?" After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again and told them, "I find no case against him. ³⁹But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover. Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" ⁴⁰They shouted in reply, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a bandit.

Word of God. Word of life.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life (ELW 816)



AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

It is not true that this world and its inhabitants are doomed to die and be lost; This is true: For God so loved the world that God gave the only Son so that everyone who believes in him shall not die but have eternal life.

It is not true that we must accept inhumanity and discrimination, hunger and poverty, death and destruction.

This is true: Jesus said: I have come that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

It is not true that violence and hatred shall have the last word, and that war and destruction have come to stay forever;

This is true: For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, in whom authority will rest and whose name will be Prince of Peace.

It is not true that we are simply victims of the powers of evil that seek to rule the world.

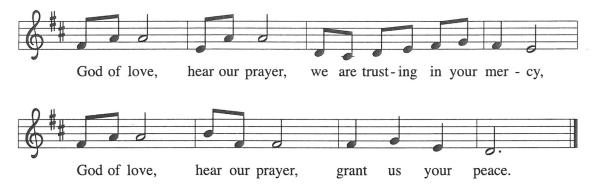
This is true: Jesus said: To me is given authority in heaven and on earth, and lo, I am with you always to the end of the world.

It is not true that we have to wait for those who are specially gifted, who are the prophets of the church, before we can do anything.

This is true: God says: I will pour out my spirit on all people, and your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your young people shall see visions, and your old folks shall dream dreams.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Renewed in the promises of baptism, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.



We pray for the church. Direct and guide us in following your will. Grant us clarity in the midst of confusion, and give us courage in the face of challenge. Make us passionate to share the gospel. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for the world you so deeply love. For wilderness places. For deserts and mountains, fruit trees and gardens. For places devastated by flooding or drought, by wind, fire, or earthquake. Restore damaged habitats and protect fragile environments. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for the nations. Grant wisdom to our leaders. Teach us to resolve conflicts without violence. Strengthen those who protect human rights, civil rights, and civil liberties. Bring an end to warfare, famine, and hunger. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

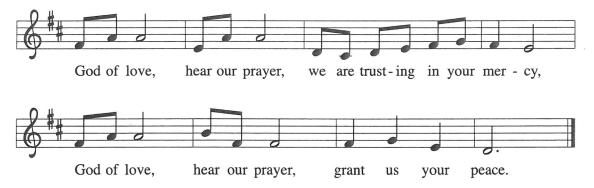
We pray for those in need. For those who lack meaningful employment or stable housing. For those who live with mental illness. For those who have chronic pain, and for all who are grieving, sick, or injured, especially Greta, Debbie, Marcia and Phil. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for this assembly. For those preparing for baptism. For parish nurses and all who provide health care in our community. For those who make quilts and gather supplies for global relief ministries. For ministries of prayer and visitation. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For whom do the people pray?

With thanksgiving, we remember those who have died in faith, especially those whom we have known and loved. Bring us with them to the fulfillment of your promise of life eternal with you. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.



Trusting in your covenant of mercy, O God, we lift our prayers to you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

PEACE

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

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING: Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery (ELW 334)



Let us pray.

Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through 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, 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, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and proclaim:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, our living Water and our merciful Guide, together with rivers and seas, wells and springs we bless and magnify you.

You led your people Israel through the desert, and provided them water from the rock. We praise you for Christ, our Rock and our Water, who joined us in our desert, pouring out his life for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed ... Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup ... Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life, death, and resurrection, we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

Pour out your Spirit on this holy food and on all the baptized gathered for this feast: wash away our sin, that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ. For those who receive this meal in their homes, may they know your love

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

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

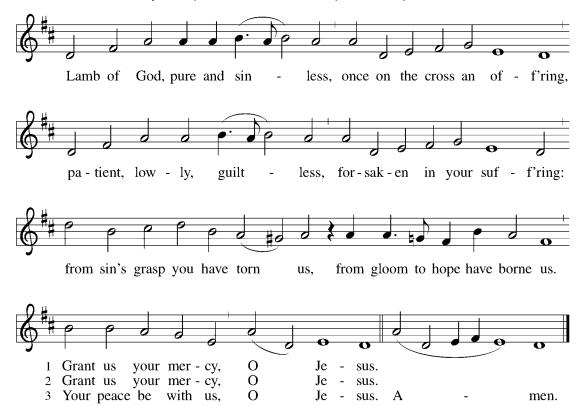
Return to God with all your heart. Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

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.

AGNUS DEI: Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless (ELW 357)



COMMUNION HYMN:

You Are the Way (ELW 758)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

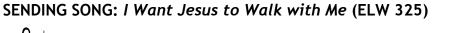
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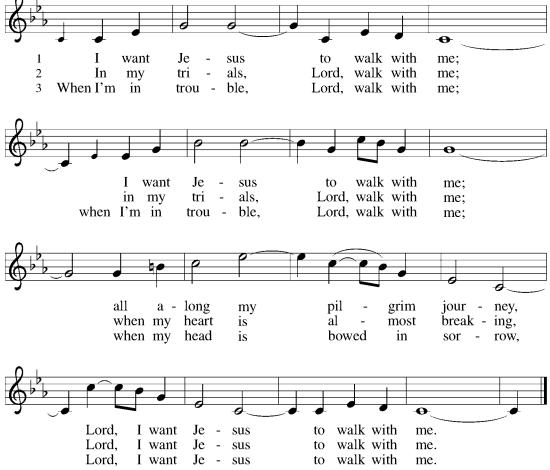
God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**





DISMISSAL

Marked with the cross of Christ, go forth to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: 8:30 Diapason Movement (M. Greene)

IN OUR PRAYERS

Prayers of sympathy for Surva and Johannes Skionsby and family in the death of Surva's brother.

Our Ministry Partners:

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church, 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), Neal Beachinor (Paul Desilet's uncle), Larry & Marcie Clure (Dan & Sandy Hendricks' 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), Edith Holbrook (member), Darryl Lageson (member), Tom McMaster (Dawn Bastin's father), Mark Nesse (Darci Desilet's stepfather), Susan Oja (Cathy Tanner'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), Audrev Sheffler (Sherrill Baker's friend), Jen Shirley (Curcio family friend), 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 Wejak (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law) Danna White (Cathy Tanner's friend), and Michael Wilson (Vicki Kastning's friend).

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

Peter Barnard (Pastor Berg's friend), Brian (Kimi & Sue Toyoda's friend), Cathy Edwards (member), Nancy Graumlich (member), Swede Johnson (Sherrill & Larry Baker's friend), Greta Nelson (member)m Dee Oughtred (Sue Toyoda's aunt), Larry Prather (Kevin Prather's father), Elodie Ragan (member), Judy Richards (member), Kevin Sailand (Karey Coble's brother), Sarah (Cathy Edwards' grand daughter), Mona Shogren (member), Debbie Slaughter (Keven & Vicki Kastning's friend) & Connie Wolter (member).

Special Prayers:

Marcia & Phil (Karen and Ray Thomas' friends)

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Margie Bannister (member), Phyllis Enger (member), Ardyce Johnson (member), Arlene O'Neall (Ruth & Mark Neitzel's friend), Lillian & Lawrence Romaniuk (Leon Romaniuk's parents), Eleanor Simonsen (Lisa Graumlich's mother-in-law), Jovce 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.

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March 18, 2018 Fifth Sunday in Lent
John 19:1-16a
Jesus CondemnedMarch 4, 2018
March 4, 2018March 4, 2018
Mortgage Fund: \$1,320
Amount needed per Sunday:
General Offerings: \$9,907General Offerings: \$9,907

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



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.

Eucharistic Ministry

Every Sunday there are several wooden 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. They pray and bring comfort to those who cannot be with their worshipping community of faith.

INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, March 11 Fourth Sunday in Lent

| 8:30 am | Worship |
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| 9:45 am | Education Hour |
| | Living Truth Bible Study |
| 10:00 am | Ensemble Rehearsal |
| 11:00 am | Worship |
| | Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship |
| 12:30 pm | Living Truth Lunch |

Monday, March 12

10:00 am Friends Supporting Friends - *planning meeting*

Tuesday, March 13

| 9:30 am | Lectionary — Meet in the library with Pastor Berg, to study next Sunday's Bible text. All are |
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| | welcome! |
| 11:00 am | Staff Meeting |
| 12:00 pm | Organ Practice |
| 5:30 pm | Christian Education Committee |
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- 6:30 pm Youth Committee 7:00 pm Finance Committee

Wednesday, March 14

| 9:15 am | Preschool Chapel |
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| 12:30 pm | Preschool Chapel |
| 1:00 pm | Worship Team Meeting |
| 2:00 pm | Organ Practice |
| 6:00 pm | Lenten Soup Supper-All are welcome to enjoy delicious soup and fellowship. |
| 7:00 pm | Lenten Vespers: Hidden Figures: Embedded Injustice |

Thursday, March 15

| 9:00 am | Quilters |
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| 9:15 am | Preschool Chapel |
| 12:30 pm | Preschool Chapel |
| 2:00 pm | Organ Practice |
| 7:00 pm | Choir Rehearsal |

Friday, March 16

| Pastor Berg's | Sabbath |
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| Church Office | Closed |
| 12:00 pm | All Seasons Lunch—All our senior members and friends are invited! |
| 4:00 pm | Elementary Retreat |

Saturday, March 17

| 9:00 am | Men's Breakfast & Bible Study-All men are welcome! |
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| 8:00 pm | Elementary Retreat Ends |
| 4:00 pm | Living Truth Gathering |

Sunday, March 18 Fifth Sunday in Lent

| Worship | |
|----------------------------------------------|--|
| Education Hour | |
| Living Truth Bible Study | |
| Ensemble Rehearsal | |
| Worship | |
| Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship | |
| Living Truth Lunch | |
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Hidden Figures Embedded Injustice

Wednesday in Lent: 6:00 pm - Soup Supper 7:00 pm - Lenten Vespers with movie discussion





Palm Sunday Wednesday Healing Service Maundy Thursday Good Friday March 25, 8:30 and 11 am March 28, 7 pm March 29, Noon & 7 pm March 30, 7 pm

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:

