

January 12, 2020
First Sunday After Epiphany
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 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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Communion Setting: Bread of Life
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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 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

		Ushers	Tom Larsen & Randall Wampler
Piano	June Condra	Lector	Susan Berg
Violin	Alexia Payne	Greeter	Emily Curcio
Percussion	Joe Siebert	Sound Tech	Anthony Curcio
Acolyte	Isabella & Lyla Curcio	Communion Assistants	Tamara McIntyre & Tom Payne
Ensemble	Rachel Jackman, Doug Peterson, Gordy Phelps, Karishma & Johannes Skjonsby & Randall Wampler	Pew Angel	Clint Bastin

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE: Come Thou Font Of Every Blessing (Traditional)

WELCOME

MEDITATION SONG: Lord Jesus Christ, Your Light Shines

Let not my doubts nor my dark-ness speak to me.

Lord Je - sus Christ, your light shines with - in us.

Lord Je - sus Christ, your light shines with - in us.

Let my heart al - ways wel - come your love.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written on a five-line staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. The second and third staves continue the melody and lyrics. The fourth staff ends with a double bar line and repeat dots. The lyrics are: 'Let not my doubts nor my dark-ness speak to me.', 'Lord Je - sus Christ, your light shines with - in us.', 'Lord Je - sus Christ, your light shines with - in us.', and 'Let my heart al - ways wel - come your love.'

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 waters; the God of glory thunders; the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.

The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; the LORD breaks the cedars 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; the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD 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; the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.

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

ENTRANCE HYMN: *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise* (ELW 310)



- 1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to thee we raise;
- 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, proph-et, priest, and king su - preme;
- 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole weak-ened bod - y, faint - ing soul;
- 4 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, pres - ent in thy ho - ly word;



man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far,
and at Ca - na wed - ding guest in thy God-head man - i - fest;
man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell-ing all the dev - il's might;
grace to im - i - tate thee now and be pure, as pure art thou;



branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, chang-ing wa - ter in - to wine;
man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring-ing good from ill:
that we might be - come like thee at thy great e - piph - a - ny,



an - thems be to thee ad-dressed,
an - thems be to thee ad-dressed, God in flesh made man - i - fest.
an - thems be to thee ad-dressed,
and may praise thee, ev - er blest,

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.

Lord of forgiveness, you healed a paralytic by forgiving his sins. Forgive us, heal us, and teach us to walk in your ways. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE: *Arise, Your Light Has Come!* (ELW 314)

1 A - rise, your light has come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
2 A - rise, your light has come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
3 A - rise, your light has come! All you in sor - row born,
4 A - rise, your light has come! The moun - tains burst in song!

show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day.
pro - claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.
bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

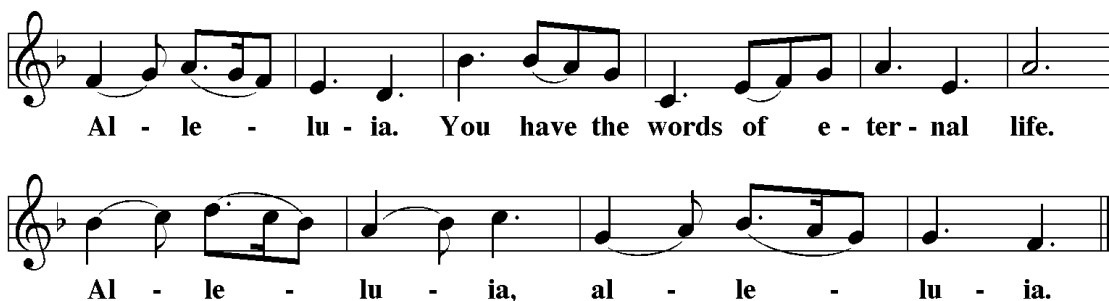
ANTHEM: *Only You, O Lord* (S. Briehl / arr. M. Haugen)

WORD

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

WELCOMING THE WORD

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



THE WORD: Mark 2:1-22

¹When he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. ²So many gathered around that there was no longer room for them, not even in front of the door; and he was speaking the word to them. ³Then some people came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. ⁴And when they could not bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and after having dug through it, they let down the mat on which the paralytic lay. ⁵When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven." ⁶Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, ⁷Why does this fellow speak in this way? It is blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone? ⁸At once Jesus perceived in his spirit that they were discussing these questions among themselves; and he said to them, "Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? ⁹Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Stand up and take your mat and walk?' ¹⁰But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins" — he said to the paralytic — ¹¹I say to you, stand up, take your mat and go to your home. ¹²And he stood up, and immediately took the mat and went out before all of them; so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

¹³Jesus went out again beside the sea; the whole crowd gathered around him, and he taught them. ¹⁴As he was walking along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁵And as he sat at dinner in Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were also sitting with Jesus and his disciples — for there were many who followed him. ¹⁶When the scribes of the Pharisees saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, they said to his disciples, "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹⁷When Jesus heard this, he said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸ Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting; and people came and said to him, "Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?" ¹⁹ Jesus said to them, "The wedding guests cannot fast while the bridegroom is with them, can they? As long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast. ²⁰ The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast on that day.

²¹ No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old cloak; otherwise, the patch pulls away from it, the new from the old, and a worse tear is made. ²² And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and the wine is lost, and so are the skins; but one puts new wine into fresh wineskins."

Word of God.

Word of life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON: *Kaaren Hatlen, Council President*

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: *We Come to You for Healing, Lord (ELW 617)*



1	We	come	to	you	for	heal	-	ing,	Lord,	of
2	As	once	you	walked	through	an	-	cient	streets	and
3	You	touch	us	through	phy	-	si	-	cians'	skills,
4	When	nights	are	long	with	wake	-	ful	-	ness,
5	We	come	to	you,	O	lov	-	ing	Lord,	in



bod	-	y,	mind,	and	soul,	and	pray	that	by	your
reached	toward	those	in	pain,	and	come,	ris	-	en	Christ,
nurs	-	es'	gifts	of	care,	and	through	the	love	of
days	when	strength	runs	low,	grant	us	your	gift	of	
our	dis	-	tress	and	pain,	in	trust	that	through	our



Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.
mong us still with pow'r to heal a - gain.
faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.
pa - tience, Lord, your calm - ing peace to know.
nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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 together through water and the Word, we boldly pray for the church,
the world, and all who long to hear God's voice.

Renewing God, thank you for the gift of baptism. Give your church boldness to
proclaim your promises. Tear down obstacles of injustice so that your word of
hope reaches the ends of the earth. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Almighty God, we rejoice in the glory of your creation: the beauty of rivers
and streams, glaciers and oceans, lakes and ponds. Bring restoration to your
earth, and free us from overuse and abuse of water, air, and land. Lord, in
your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of peace, we give thanks for order in the midst of chaos, though we long for greater justice in our world. Raise up wise and compassionate servant leaders so that all experience your reign of peace. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Holy God, thank you for the powerful healing we witness through doctors and nurses, medication, therapy, and holistic means. Break through clouds of pain and anguish with your voice of comfort. Proclaim hope to all who grieve, and send healing to all who are sick, especially Evelyn and Nancy. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of courage, we rejoice in this community of hope. Strengthen all who are preparing for baptism and renew the faith of sponsors, mentors, parents, grandparents, friends, and all who guide the newly baptized in this life of joy. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

For whom do the people pray?

God of hope, unleash your Spirit to increase our trust in you. We give thanks for the lives of the saints who inspire us with lives of baptismal witness. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We place our prayers before you, God, united in your Spirit; through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

Silence for self-reflection.

God who searches us and knows us,
you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you. With what shall we come before you? Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.

Beloved of God, you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ.

Receive the promise of baptism: You are God's child; your sins are forgiven.
Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.
Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

OFFERTORY:

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

The musical score is written for a single voice part on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, O Lord, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me." The score consists of eight lines of music, each with a corresponding line of lyrics. The first line ends with a double bar line, and the last line ends with a double bar line.

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.
Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.
Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, O
Lord, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of wonder, you formed us in our mother's womb, and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine. We place them on your table, together with our lives and all that you have made. Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit. We wait for your mercy; we long for your peace; we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ, our banquet of life. Amen.

DIALOGUE

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





GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 this light is brought to our siblings who cannot join us this day, may they be reminded of your presence in their lives.

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



☞ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION SONGS:

Here Is Bread (ELW 483)

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say (ELW 611)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

May Christ, the wisdom and power of God,
and the source of our life together,
keep you united in mind and purpose.

And the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you always.

Amen.

SENDING SONG: *Shine, Jesus, Shine* (ELW 671) (Red Hymnal)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Let your light shine.

Thanks be to God.

January 19, 2019 Second Sunday after Epiphany

Mark 4:1-34

Parables of the Sower & Mustard Seed

Weekly Financial Report

December 29, 2019 (12/31/2019) Attendance: 170

General Offerings: \$6,470 Mortgage Fund: \$700

January 5, 2020, Attendance: 186

General Offerings: \$12,622 Mortgage Fund: \$872

Amount needed per Sunday:

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

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.



IN OUR PRAYERS

Our Ministry Partners:

Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services, Lutheran Counseling Network, Lutheran World Relief, Northwest Washington Synod

Those living with cancer:

Juanita (Bonnie & Bob Ahlstedt's sister-in-law), **Charlie** (Jeff Almeida's father), **Del Benson** (member), **Alan** (Joan & Carl Christian's son), **Russel** (Karey Coble's cousin), **Erika** (Kristin Smith's cousin), **Edith Holbrook** (member), **Heather** (Kevin & Vicki Kastning's niece), **Richard** (Ruth Neitzel's brother), **Pam** (Marlis Pehling's niece), **Don** (Doug Peterson's brother), **Janette** (Beth Phelps' cousin), (member), **Teresa** (Michelle Tuck's friend), **Roger** (Michelle Tuck's brother-in-law), **Ted** (Sue Toyoda's friend), **Kip** (Paul Desilet's uncle), **Jim** (Hendricks' family friend), **Joanne** (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law) & **Clara** (Pat Daane's cousin).

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

Keely Adjorlolo (member), **Marilyn Anderson** (member), **Paul Anderson** (member), **Jack Becker** (member), **Deb** (Brian Midtbo's cousin), **Lillian** (Bob Berg's mother), **Evelyn Fischer** (member), **Nancy Funsinn** (member), **Nancy Davis** (member), **Roy King** (member), **Barb** (Stacy Souriall's friend), **Ryan** (Cathy Edwards' grandson), **Betty Magee** (member), **Anne Marie** (Hildur O'Conner's daughter), **Katie** (Hildur O'Conner's daughter), **Eileen Payne** (Tom Payne's mother), **Eric** (Sally Adams' cousin), **Ron** (Krista Daniel's father), **Loretta Rapp** (member), **Dennis Shogren** (Dave Shogren's brother), **Helen** (Renee Baker's mother), **Lola** (Bob Berg's aunt), **Mona Shogren** (member), **Loretta** (Nora Srothman's sister-in-law), **Sadako** (Sue Toyoda's mother-in-law), **Dandy** (Julie Selmikeit-Weyn's husband), **Darlene** (Andrea Faubion's mother),

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Phyllis Enger (member), **Betty Magee** (member), **Lillian & Lawrence** (Leon Romaniuk's parents), **Harriet** (Eleanor Walters' mother), **Jacquie Stoll** (member), **Sigrid** (Carsten Thode's mother) & **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)
Mason Land (Debbie & Darryl Lageson's nephew)

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

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), & **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, January 12 First Sunday after Epiphany

- 8:30 am** **Worship**
9:45 am Education Hour for all ages!
 2020 Budget Presentation in Fellowship Hall
10:00 am Ensemble Rehearsal
11:00 am **Worship**
5:00 pm Journey Class: **Hospitality to Strangers**

Monday, January 13

Tuesday, January 14

- 9:30 am Lectionary with Pastor Berg
11:00 am Staff Meeting
4:15 pm Library Committee
5:30 pm Christian Education
6:30 pm Youth Committee

Wednesday, January 15

- 10:00 am Rebecca Circle
11:00 am Worship Team

Thursday, January 16

- 9:00 am Quilters
7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Friday, January 17

- Church Office Closed
3:00 pm Craig Vold Funeral

Saturday, January 18

Sunday, January 19 First Sunday after Epiphany

- 8:30 am** **Worship**
9:45 am Education Hour for all ages! ***First Lutheran Church Committee Service Fair for adults in the narthex! Find your calling at FLC!***
10:00 am Ensemble Rehearsal
11:00 am **Worship**

Sermon Notes

What one word stuck out for me?

What phrase or sentence was especially memorable?

What did I hear that I am eager to share with another person?

I think the title of the sermon is:

