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The Joy of Serving: Serving in Small Ways

Holy Week 2020 in Costa Rica

Easter greetings in the name of the Resurrected Christ, I had planned to send this missionary update last weekend, principally to let you know how our family has been faring since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. But first, I need to share a piece of family news.

Grieving the Death of Marta's Father - We received the news on Maundy Thursday, just minutes after returning from an afternoon walk. One of Marta's sisters-in-law called from Guatemala to let us know that Marta's father had just died at home.

The news wasn't totally unexpected. Her father (Juan Pablo Giron Ochoa) was 83 and his health had been failing. Marta's younger sister has been the live-in caregiver for both of their parents. The family homestead is in an isolated village in southwest Guatemala. Marta's mother gets around with a walker but can't do as much for herself since she fell and fractured a hip eight years ago. Subsequently, her father was diagnosed with Alzheimer's; over time, he became increasingly difficult to care for as Marta witnessed during her recent trips to Guatemala.

Shortly after Marta's most recent visit in January, a local physician informed the family that nothing more could be done medically for Marta's father. His prognosis was correct. Juan became increasingly weaker, lost his appetite and the desire to get out of bed. Finally, his heart simply stopped beating.

Were we not living under COVID-19 quarantine restrictions, Marta would have traveled to Guatemala to spend Holy Week 2020 with her parents; she would have been there when her father died. Given that air travel between Costa Rica and Guatemala has been suspended for nearly a month, our only option was to grieve from afar and communicate as best we could with Marta's mother and siblings.

Telecommunications have worked better than we expected. In addition to phone calls, one of Marta's cousins filmed the simple wake that took place in the Giron home late Thursday night. That same cousin also live-streamed the midday burial ceremony on Good Friday from the town cemetery.

While all of this was transpiring, I recalled a weekend news program that I saw on Palm Sunday about how Costa Rican churches, Catholic & Evangelical, have been functioning since the

onset of the pandemic. Both church leaders agreed that adapting their funeral practices has been their single, most difficult challenge, at a time when neither funeral services nor graveside ceremonies are permitted. For all of us, and especially for Marta's immediate family, the grieving process has been and will continue to be difficult, given the impossibility of an extended family gathering any time soon because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

COVID-19 Situation in Costa Rica - In terms of our personal health, Marta and I are doing fine. Like you in the US, we're staying home. For me, working from home is relatively easy. With a decent Internet connection and electricity to keep my laptop and cell phone charged, I can work pretty much from anywhere.



For Marta's work with Costa Rica & Nicaraguan women, not being able to make weekly trips to the La Carpio neighborhood in San Jose has been far more disruptive.

She's relying on WhatsApp and other social media networks to communicate with each member of her 2020 group (pictured above), but the mutual fellowship and support that they look forward to every Thursday afternoon is impossible to replicate via a cell phone screen.

The first case of COVID-19 in Costa Rica was confirmed on March 6. In the 5+ weeks since then, the number of confirmed cases has climbed to 612 (as of noon on Easter Monday), in a country with a total population of just over 5 million.

Costa Rican health authorities have been doing everything possible to "flatten the curve", with good success. For the past two weeks, the number of new cases has been averaging between 15-20/day – no threat yet of the exponential increases that are occurring elsewhere in the world, including the U.S. 2

Thus far, only 3 Costa Ricans have died from COVID-19, and the number of patients requiring hospitalization has been well within the capacity of the country's universal health care system. Currently, there are only 20 patients whose symptoms are serious enough to require hospitalization; 14 of those are in intensive care.

In truth, Marta and I feel extremely fortunate to live and serve in a country where access to health care is considered a human right for all residents, Costa Ricans and foreigners alike.

In contrast to the public health situation, the economic situation in Costa Rica is far more serious. The adverse economic consequences have been dramatic & immediate for a country where tourism is the most important sector of the economy.

Normally, at this time of year, Costa Rica would be reaping the benefits of tourist "high season". Instead, 2020 is being called the "zero season" for tourism. Beaches and other popular tourist destinations are closed, hotels & restaurants are empty, and tens of thousands of workers within the tourism industry have lost their jobs virtually overnight.

Costa Rican Lutheran Church (ILCO) Continues to Function - Our companion church here in Costa Rica is facing the same challenges as ELCA synods and congregations – figuring out creative ways to sustain core church activities like weekly worship. There have been no weekend services in churches or homes since March 15. The dedication ceremony of a new chapel for the Sola Gratia community here in Grecia (where we live) had to be cancelled; it was scheduled for Palm Sunday.

ILCO pastors and members remain connected via WhatsApp groups that were organized prior to the pandemic. ILCO's pastor president created a new chat group for all pastors and staff. Pastors and lay leaders are learning to use different social media platforms (like Zoom) to livestream weekend worship services and other community activities. In fact, Marta and I were able to participate in an Easter Vigil devotional via Zoom last Saturday evening.

On Easter Sunday, we received the photo that is reproduced on this page, taken by a semi-retired ILCO pastor. He erected a rustic cross in the yard of his house on Good Friday. On Easter Sunday, Pastor Enrique added flowers at the base and a handwritten inscription which reads: "He's not on the cross, nor in the tomb. He has risen in your heart and in mine." It was his Easter sermon and affirmation of faith.

Looking ahead to the rest of the Easter season and beyond, it's highly improbable that "being church" will go back to the way it was prior to the pandemic. We are being challenged to create a new vision of what the church might look like on the downside of the curve.



As ELCA Presiding Bishop Eaton wrote recently: "Some of it will be the same, some of it will be remarkably different, but there will be church."

We have lots of prayerful reflection ahead of us, as members of Christ's body around the world. Here's a prayer from the ELCA web site that I have adapted. Feel free to use it, or change it and make it your own:

Loving and merciful God, we pray for all nations of the world as we face a myriad of uncertainties around coronavirus. Protect the sick and vulnerable among us, including migrants and refugees who have nowhere to "shelter in place". Grant a special measure of protection for health care workers who serve others at their own personal risk. Raise our sights and spirits as we consider how best to respond in our families, congregations and communities. Give us courage to face the future with compassion, concern and loving service; all this we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Risen Lord. Amen.

Your companion in global mission,

Stephen Deal

ELCA Missionary – San José, Costa Rica

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Message from Pastor Ken

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Easter 2020

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and our **risen** Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ! Amen.

Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!!

I would imagine that, like me, you really needed to hear these words this morning. Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!!

These are difficult days for us. These are difficult days for us individually, and these are difficult days for all the people of the world.

This Easter, the Bible Readings spoke to my hurting spirit with a greater intensity than ever before. Maybe the same is for you? Did the Bible Readings speak to you and bring you God's message like never before?

Let's take some time together this morning to really take in God's message for us. I think we desperately need to hear God speak to us today.

But first let's consider the situation God is speaking to in our lives. You may be like me, where, each morning as I eat my breakfast, I watch the news.

Morning after morning I hear the updates on the Coronavirus. Morning after morning I hear the report on the numbers of people who have died. And with the numbers also comes some of the names. Some of these are famous people. Some of these are people like you and like me.

Hearing the names of the people who have died makes it real. These are real people. These are real people who were loved and whose families are grieving.

Each morning, the numbers and the names are overwhelming. The depth of grief weighs heavy on my spirit. Some days I feel dazed by the gloom and sadness. Do you feel a heaviness in your spirit these days?

And then, along with this grief, there is the fear. The fear is that we will catch this Coronavirus. This is a very real and legitimate fear. This Covid 19 is sneaky and deadly.

I had never feared going to Walmart before. In the past I would just walk into Walmart and do my shopping while watching the interesting characters there at Walmart.

Now I go to Walmart with protective gear. I wear a facemask and gloves. I am careful about what I touch and how close I get to other people. When I get home I clean myself and all of the packages. We do everything we can to protect ourselves, and still there is fear. We are afraid of this Covid 19. It is sneaky. It is deadly.

More than ever before, I can relate, in some ways, to the people in our Reading from Matthew's Gospel. These people are grieving. These people are afraid. Maybe you can relate to these people like never before?

The women are up early. They are going to care for the body of their dearly loved Jesus. They were there at Golgotha. They saw him crucified. The sound of Jesus being nailed to the cross must have pierced their souls.

They were there. They were there at the foot of the cross. They saw him suffer. They saw him die. They saw him placed in the tomb and the entrance seal by a huge stone. Can you imagine their grief?



And now they are up early to go and care for his body. The grief weighs them down. The cloud of gloom is heavier than ever before. So many hopes and dreams are lost. Such a dear man, who was all about loving people; this dear man of love was brutally killed. The grief is overwhelming.

And while this is going on, the other disciples sit in fear. The men are closed in a room with the door locked. They are afraid. On top of the overwhelming grief is the fear that they will be killed for being disciples of Jesus. Grief and fear mixed together can be devastating and debilitating.

And then Jesus shows up. The crucified and now risen Jesus meets the grieving women.

And later that evening Jesus enters the room that is filled with grief and fear and brings not only his resurrected body but also a message of peace.

And everything is changed. Everything is changed as these people who are grieving and afraid are met by Jesus.

The crucified and risen Jesus meets them in their grief and in their fear and shows them that grief and fear and death does not have the last word. God has the last word, and that word is the word of life and resurrection. His message brings peace. His message inspires hope in this love that conquers all.

In the resurrected Jesus we have an assurance that nothing can separate us from the steadfast and eternal love of God. Because of the crucified and risen Jesus, nothing can separate us from the steadfast and eternal love of God; not our sin, not our grief, not our fear; and there is no evil, no disease, and not even death that can separate us from the steadfast and eternal love of God.

This morning, maybe more than ever before, we need this assurance that God has the last word. Today I think we all need to hear the message that the God of the universe is a God who breaks into our world and comes to our lives to comfort us in our grief, and to give us peace to endure our fears.

Our grief is very real to us. Our fear is legitimate. But hear also the message of Paul, who reminds us that we are people who grieve, but we grieve with hope. (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)

We still grieve. We still fear this Coronavirus. But we are also sustained by the peace of God and given hope to help us endure all we face as we cling to Jesus who is our crucified and risen Lord and Savior.

This morning God's word speaks to our hurting spirits. In our First Reading from Jeremiah we hear God's word as speaking directly to us, where He says, *I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.*

Even when we are grieving and afraid; even when we may feel like God has abandoned us; we hear these words, *I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.*

These are comforting and encouraging words for us that assure us that God has not abandoned us, but loves us with an everlasting love.

When Jesus met the women at the empty tomb, they fell down at his feet and worshiped him. Today we want to worship Jesus too.

But we may struggle to find the words. And so, again, our Bible Readings speak for us. Can your praise be found in the words of Psalm 118? Can you echo these words of praise? *'Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good; God's mercy endures forever.* And, can your spirit proclaim these words? *¹⁴The Lord is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation. And, ¹⁷I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.* And, with full voice and from the

depth of our soul, we declare, ²⁴*This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

God's words speak powerfully to us this Easter. What are your favorite words from Scripture that sustain your spirit? What Bible verses give you encouragement and sustain your weary spirit? What words shine light into your darkness?

Let these words speak to you, and then share these words with others who need the light of the risen Christ to speak to their darkness.

In this time of grief and fear, God's word speaks to us with words of encouragement, with words of victory in the risen Lord Jesus; and with words of worship. May these words of God, and may The Word of God - Jesus - fill you with peace and hope and even joy this Easter.

Christ is risen. He is risen, indeed. Alleluia and Amen.

Grace Youth Ministry

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Grace Youth Ministry, Campus Ministry, and Young Professionals remain connected during COVID-19

Our students and young professionals are adapting to an online format of meetings through Zoom. GYM 'The Lunch Table' is a weekly meeting for youth to connect - virtually checking in, sharing highs/low, having a devotion and praying together. College students are meeting periodically over Zoom for conversation and support. Grace Young Professionals are hosting a bi-weekly book study with the book "Inspired" by Rachel Held Evans. While we await in person gatherings, we are thankful for the opportunity to connect virtually at this time. If you have any questions about connecting to one of these meetings, let Anne know.

Important announcement regarding Grace Youth Ministry Summer Service Learning Week

Appalachia Service Project, the company GYM had partnered with for the Service Learning week, has suspended all summer volunteer sites due to COVID-19 until Aug. 1. While this is the right and necessary decision, I grieve for our students and guides to not have this valuable ministry experience together in their faith journey timelines this year. We had assembled a rock star team of smart, hardworking, motivated youth/guides, and I'm sad we won't experience the work they would have accomplished together. The team has been working all year in preparation to complete home repair project needs in rural Appalachia with pre-trip safety and culture lessons, bible studies, and through a fall retreat. This photo was taken from our most recent prep meeting.



I grieve for the ASP clients that will not have their application needs fulfilled by the summer servants. Over 6,300 applications were submitted this summer for help - 6,300 needs that will not be filled at this time. I grieve for our seniors – this would have been their last GYM service learning trip opportunity and now adds to the many canceled things in their lives. I grieve for our incoming freshmen who are finally 'of age' to go and will not have the opportunity of this experience growing with their youth group. Our time of ministry experiences are so limited for our High School youth, and now they have even less. None of us know what the future holds after this time of social distancing. As I met with our youth and adult guides over Zoom to share this update, the thing they vocalized the most was the desire to still help, to still do something to serve when together again. Both groups echoed the hope to serve in a different way even if it isn't through ASP. Let's hold on to that hope and may God's peace and strength be with you all.

Contact me with any questions or needs, be well!

Anne

Gifts Ministry

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What I'm learning in this challenging time

Even in early March, no one imagined that a couple of weeks later, many of our routines and lifestyles would be transformed. The global pandemic caused by COVID-19 has changed the lives of millions of people worldwide. And nearly three weeks after the "stay at home" orders began to prevent the spread of the virus, we are still trying to adapt to this new reality and hoping that the fear, stress, and uncertainty will end soon, although nobody is able to predict how long it will last and what consequences it will have for everyone.



For a long time, I wished to have more time to stay at home, share more time with my daughter, work less and have more time to rest and do my hobbies, but now that I have the opportunity to do some, I'm not as happy as I imagined. It could be possible that I'm not so glad because

the decision to stay at home was not made by me. This time I was not able to decide or control anything. The circumstances that determined everything.

Here are some of the things I've learned in these days of lockdown:

- a) We are fragile and we cannot control everything - even what we care for: family, work, health and life. The only thing we are able to control is the way we assimilate and manage changes, worries and crises. That's why a constant and fluid communication with God is so critical. God, our father, is able to make us feel safe, give us discernment and peace in times where we are easy prey to fear, insecurity and fatalism.
- b) God is close to us and he is our refuge amid storms and catastrophes we face. God – through our family, our congregations and friends - is a main source of love and security in difficult times.
- c) Stopping is also imperative to discern important issues, as who we are, where we are and where we want to go in our life. For many of us, this process will mean making substantial changes in our routines, practices, and relationships that we hope will be based on love, compassion, kindness and not on fear or insecurity.
- d) Even if many say that the virus has shown us that we are all the same, because it infects rich and poor, we don't all deal with the virus in the same way. There are still large generational, racial, social, economic and gender disparities that make us more or less vulnerable in the face of a crisis.
- e) We are all created in the image of God (Gen. 1:27) - for that reason every human being is priceless, and no matter their conditions, they bring value to our communities and societies. We have to be grateful and respectful for all those who in the midst of this pandemic continue to work to ensure our well-being.

The COVID-19 crisis allows us to connect with God through prayer, love and solidarity with those who are taking risks or are suffering. We do not know how long this process will be, but let us ask God for patience, clarity, and light to illuminate everyone's lives.

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Spotlight on Social Ministry

Living Waters Lutheran Church

Our mission partnership began with Living Waters in January 2018 and has since grown. We've had food drives twice yearly and hope to have another one in October - a drive-up & drop-off food drive was on April 22. Currently we are working on alternative food drive plans - items to order from Amazon and ship to Pastor Jack and Lisa's home. Items needed include macaroni and cheese, canned meats and vegetables, cereal, Kool-Aid with sugar, ravioli, self-rising flour, shampoo, dish soap, soap, and paper goods. Please contact the Grace office for details on sending orders through Amazon.

Additionally, we have been able to have Servant Saturday projects that have included both adults and youth. Pastor Jack, Lisa, and some of their members have visited Grace several times and have shown us some of their created wares. Our OWLs and other members have traveled to Living Waters Church for fellowship and Sunday services and felt blessed. On Oct.11, Pastor Jack will preach our sermons, and we look forward to that time. If anyone has any ideas to enhance our fellowship with the members at Living Waters, please let me know.

Thank you and blessings, Rosaleen Dawes

Spotlight on Social Ministry

Children and Family Resource Center

The Children and Family Resource Center supports parents and kids during crucial times throughout their childhood journey. One staff person and Grace member, Laurian Richards, shared her job story with me. Laurian told me she has worked fifteen years for the Center. She is a lead parent educator in the Parent as Teachers Program. It did not take me long to learn that Laurian has a lot of passion and compassion for her job.

As a parent educator, Laurian visits families twice a month in their homes with babies from ages prenatal through preschool. The goals of the program consist of: school readiness, prevention of child abuse and neglect, and family well-being. Laurian demonstrates to parents how to interact with their child and how to do constructive play with inexpensive materials that can be easily made. To supplement the home visits, there is a Family Connections Night with other families at the center for socialization and parent enrichment activities.

When I asked Laurian about what made her feel the proudest, she answered it was the fact that this agency was always there for families. More importantly, though, she added that she felt very proud of all her families who reached out for support knowing that it was not always easy to ask for help. She cited successes of teen parents who were encouraged to better themselves through education. Furthermore, she noted that other families improved their living conditions through the influence of the weekly Circle of Parents Program. These parents were able to move into Public Housing because of what they learned at the Circle of Parents. Laurian remembered one family who moved from the Rescue Mission to a camper of their own, no small feat.

As Laurian emphasized to me, the Children and Resource Center is open to anyone. With this inclusion policy, stigmas are removed for those needing support. Our congregation can feel very confident that we are helping such a valuable mission in our community where service and people are always top priorities.

-Diane Sellers

A Message from Vicki Marthaler, The President of the Women of Grace

Luke 5:5 *"Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing;
Nevertheless, at Your Word, I will let down the net."*

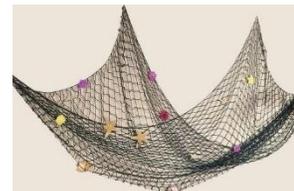
Not much faith left in the men in the boat. They are tired and spent. Weary and exhausted. They have spent the night using every trick in the book, doing everything they could do, being diligent and persistent only to pull up empty net after empty net. Resigned now to the life of fishermen when there are times that the nets are empty despite every good effort, they prepare to cut their losses and go home.

When those empty-net times happen, they return home. They eat. They sleep. They mend the nets and take care of repairs in order to position themselves to try again.

In Luke 5:5 this standard mode is disrupted when Jesus appears on the beach and calls from the shore to the weary fishermen and suggests that they drop their nets on the other side of the boat. At first Jesus is met with passive resistance – a call to reason – what Jesus asks of them doesn't compute. To throw out and the pull back in one more time those heavy, water-soaked ropes is a daunting task to the exhausted men. The timing is all wrong. Fish are long gone at this time of the day. What Jesus is asking is an exercise in futility. It would only add to the exhaustion and add to the defeat of the night's work.

Nevertheless...

- ... Even though the fact of toiling all night and empty nets is true.
- ... Even though the fishermen believe nothing will change.
- ... Even though they are the experts in the fishing field.
- ... Even though what is asked is unreasonable and irrational.
- ... Even though it doesn't make sense.



Nevertheless.... Peter says... Nevertheless, I will. Maybe it's easier to show Jesus the reality of the situation rather than try to explain or argue with Him. One more time, guys! Heave, ho!

Was it the faith of a mustard seed? Along with a smidge of willingness? A skoosh of possibility? An attempt to humor the Man from Galilee?

Whatever the incentive, the reluctant act of throwing the net one more time resulted in a boat load of fish! Overflowing. Pressed down. Given in good measure! An unbelievable response!

Nevertheless. What stands in your way today? What has exhausted you and worn you out? Where have you given up and are ready to accept defeat?

Nevertheless, Jesus would have you not defeated. Jesus would have you experience hope and live smack dab in the middle of faith. He has promised to be with you always. He has promised to provide. He has promised to hear your every prayer. He has been promised to be your Rock and your Strength, your Light to the path and The Way, The Truth and The Life.

Nevertheless. Even though the world be against you, the Lord is for you. Always. And forever. Thank You, Jesus.

For additional information about this and other ministries of the Women of the ELCA, see the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall or contact our president, Vicki Marthaler (218-849-5683).

Birthdays



Heather Brown	5/1	John Simons	5/12		
Denise Pryor	5/1	Kelly Friesen	5/13	Shelley Clay	5/24
Douglas Fennell	5/2	Megan Pigors	5/13	Eric Hagstrom	5/24
David Carver	5/3	Vanessa Wingard	5/14	Jason Heilemann	5/24
Kevin Milford	5/5	Karla Edwards	5/15	Michael Hoffmann	5/24
Ada Morava	5/5	Donna Southard	5/15	Katherine Van Horne	5/24
Jovanna Porter	5/5	Douglass Decker	5/16	Buzzy Hoegger	5/26
Carol Honeycutt	5/6	Patricia Malinak	5/16	Cindy Bonincontri	5/27
Delores Braun	5/8	Irene Syvertson	5/16	Penny Lord	5/28
Martha Keiser	5/9	Debbie Freeman	5/17	Judy Waldrop	5/28
Shelley Bickner	5/10	Christine Ring	5/17	JoAnne Mummert	5/29
Jennifer Parson	5/10	Steven Buman	5/18	Beverly Cannady	5/30
Virginia Rehn	5/10	Billie Slear	5/18	Patricia Fisher	5/30
Judy Oneacre	5/11	Noe Acosta	5/19	Rita Purdy	5/30
Evelia Solano-Jimenez	5/11	Judith Longtemps	5/19	Anthony Rees	5/30
Elise Trexler	5/11	Susan Carlson	5/20	Charles Waldrop	5/30
Claire Darrah	5/12	Caroline Chavez	5/20		
Ada Gough	5/12	Ellen Morrison	5/20		
		Horst Wenz	5/23		

Anniversaries



Daniel & Aurora Solano	5/1/1982
Henry & Barb Koch	5/3/1969
Gary & Lynn Kester	5/8/2010
Wade & Caroline Patterson	5/11/1996
John & Maria Almert	5/13/2017
Bill & Becky Schmidt	5/13/1978
Misty & Tani Masha	5/17/2003
Jon & Muriel Lambert	5/18/1977
Dave & Barbara Bair	5/19/1973
Jim & Jane Hunt	5/19/1973
Bill & Sharon Wohlt	5/19/1972
Jeff & Simons Michels	5/20/1989

Wayne & Yvonne Forsythe	5/21/1977
John & Annah Lord	5/24/2008
Andy & Barbara Pytel	5/24/1985
John & Cindy Simons	5/24/1998
Fred & D'Anne Martin	5/25/1985
Kemper & Mandy Gibson	5/28/2016
Jerry & Emilee Liedl	5/28/2016
Charlie & Katie Bolick	5/30/1993
Jack & Sandy Dublynn	5/30/1992
Joe & Carol Gillett	5/30/1969
John & Bonnie Wells	5/30/1960
Nick & Rachel Cummings	5/31/2014



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<https://www.youtube.com/user/GraceLutheranCh>

Sunday Services

Please join us at 9 a.m. for Sunday service. We will be live-streaming the service on Facebook. Once you click here, please scroll down to today's service. Click on the live button. <https://www.facebook.com/gracehendersonville/>

You will also be able to see a video of the sermon later in the day on YouTube. Please click here to view. <https://www.youtube.com/user/GraceLutheranCh>

Jill Reads Children's Books Online

Check out our YouTube channel for Jill's videos and playlist.
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