

Reflecting on my thoughts about the centrality of the Eucharist, it occurred to me that they were incomplete. Both Eucharist and Word are necessary. Word informs the Eucharist; without Word, Eucharist becomes an empty, meaningless form. Word also informs all that we do, and how we do it. Yet, without the mystery of Eucharist, Word can remain intellectual, heady, uninvolved; when expressed in Eucharist we actualize Word in a unique way.

Far, far more of course could and should be said on this, but for now I only want to add that Word as well is a distinctive that prevents us from becoming just another social service agency. We have a regime change to announce and begin to realize, and we can only remain centered on that in Word and Eucharist.

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