July 30, 2017 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 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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EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 30, 2017 9:30 am

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, 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: Blest Be The Tie That Binds (L. Line)

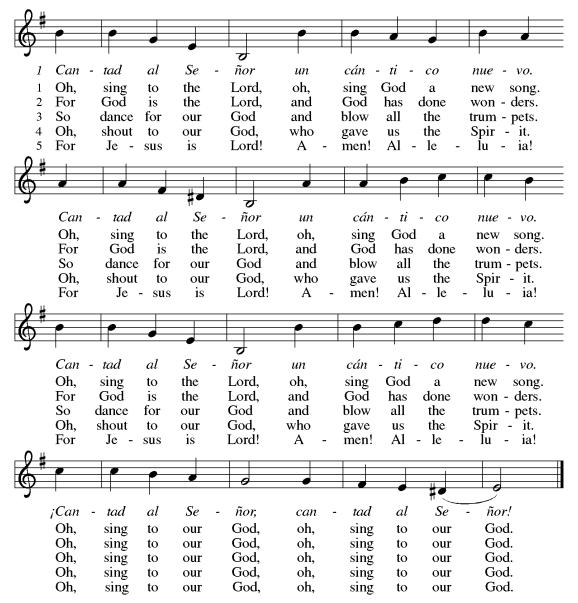
WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, abounding in steadfast love toward us, healing the sick and raising the dead, showering us with every good gift.

Amen.

Assisting With Today's Service:			
Presiding Minister	Rev. Mary Lindberg	Ushers	Jose Alcaraz & David Berg
Pianist	Lucy Kay Osborne	Sound Tech	Roger Wolter
Ensemble Director	Richard Edmonds	Lector	Ginny Conricode
Percussion	Nora Strothman & Trent DeVerter	Greeter	Tamara McIntyre
Violin	Jason Liang	Communion Assistants	Tricia Alcaraz, Donna Hillare & Kris Linderoth
Guitar	Connie Wolter	Ensemble	June Condra, Scott Eiler, Rachel Jackman, Doug Peterson, Gordy Phelps & Donnella Robbins

GATHERING SONG: Oh, Sing to the Lord (ELW 822)



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.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

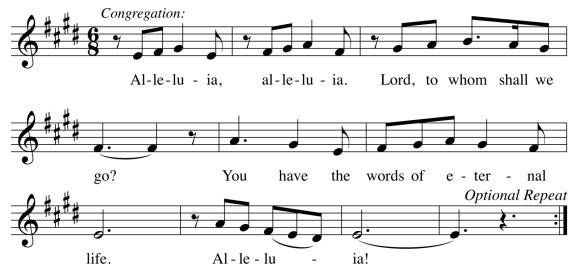
Almighty God, your Holy Spirit equips the church with a rich variety of gifts. Grant that we may use them to bear witness to Christ in lives that are built on faith and love. Make us ready to live the gospel and eager to do your will, so that we may share with all your church in the joys of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

ANTHEM: It Is Well With My Soul (Bliss/Spafford)
Rachel Jackman, Soloist

WORD

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

WELCOMING THE WORD



THE WORD: Ephesians 4:1-16

A reading from Ephesians. ¹I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

⁹(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by

their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Word of God, word of life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Roger Steinke, Director of REACH Ministries

Rev. Mary Lindberg

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY We Are All One in Christ (ELW 643) (repeat once)



APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Generous, compassionate God, we gather before you to pray for the church, the world, and all in need. Shine the light of understanding on your church on earth. Bind us together in the word to share your love with the world. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Protect birds and their nests, fields full of crops, the seas and the fish that swim in them. Inspire us to care for the creation you love. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Raise up just and wise advocates and judges from small-town courts to international tribunals. Enlighten all leaders to discern what is right and do what is good. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Nurture faith in those who doubt. Lift up those who are weak in body, mind, or spirit. Heal the sick, comfort the grieving, and surround with love those facing their last days, especially Breanna, Cody and Kimi. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Bless this congregation with a sense of oneness in mission. Bless Pastor Berg and Susan in their sabbatical rest. Expand the understanding of this assembly to see our neighbors as you see them. Let the yeast of your word grow beyond us to expand your boundless love to those around us. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Bless the students and the leaders of Vacation Bible School this week. May they learn that each of us is *God's Masterpiece*, created anew in Christ Jesus. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer

For whom do the people pray?

Sustain us by the intercession of your Holy Spirit.

Let the Spirit's sighs, too deep for words, comfort us until we rejoice with those already united with you. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Into your hands we place all our prayers, spoken and unspoken, trusting in the mercy of Christ Jesus.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Just and gracious God,

we come to you for healing and life. Our sins hurt others and diminish us; we confess them to you. Our lives bear the scars of sin; we bring these also to you. Show us your mercy, O God. Bind up our wounds, forgive us our sins, and free us to love, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen

The apostle Paul assures us:

"When we were dead in our trespasses, God made us alive together with Christ, nailing the record of our sins to the cross." Jesus says to you, + "Your sins are forgiven." Be at peace, and tell everyone how much God has done for you.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

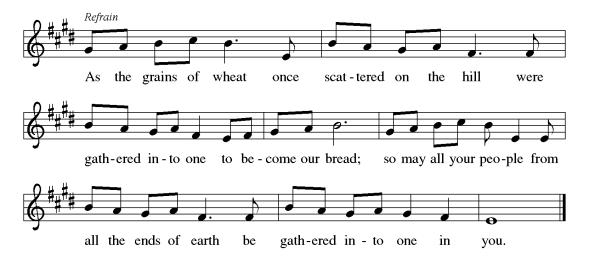
And also with you.

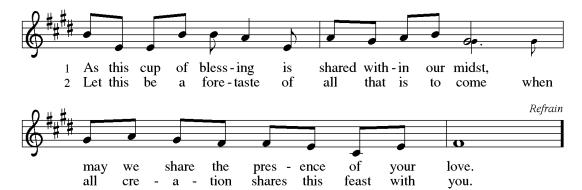
MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY: The Gift of Love (D. Cherwien)

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: As the Grains of Wheat (ELW 465)





OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

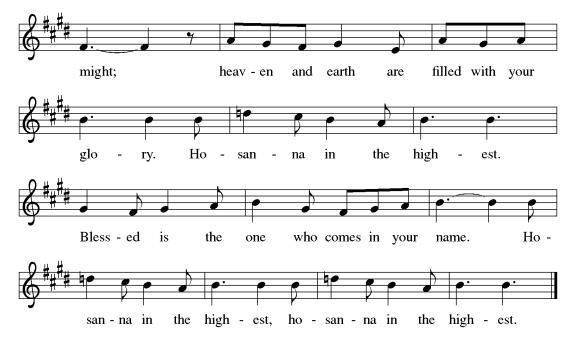
PREFACE

It is indeed right, 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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS





THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation, the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world, you sent your Son to heal our ills and to form us again into one.

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 acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son.

Bless the gifts of this table which will be shared with those who are sick or homebound. May these sisters and brothers be sustained by the Bread of life that satisfies all hunger.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen**

LORD'S PRAYER (Gather 7)



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

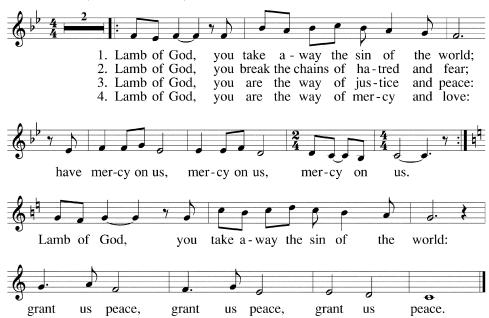
Christ invites you to a place of honor at this banquet. Welcome to the feast.

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 (GATHER 309)



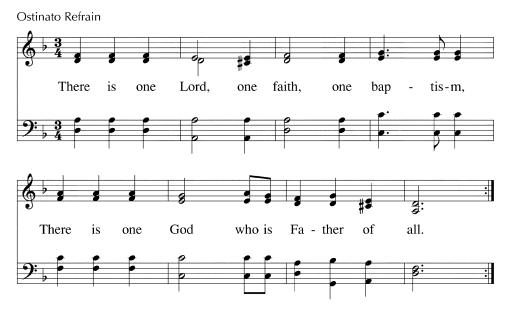
COMMUNION HYMNS

Blest Be the Tie That Binds (ELW 656)

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go (LBW 324)



There Is One Lord (GATHER 809)



POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

O God, as a mother comforts her child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

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

Amen

SENDING SONG Bind Us Together (W&P 18) (next page)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: O Love, That Will Not Let Me Go (C. Curry)

ABOUT THE BANNER

The seven congregations of the Cascadia Lutheran Parish, of which First Lutheran is a member, commissioned *Kris Garratt*, artist-in-residence at University Congregational UCC in Seattle, to create the banner now displayed in our sanctuary for the month of July. The banner, based on the ELCA's image celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, depicts the pages of the Bible morphing into doves, a symbol of the relationship between scripture and the Holy Spirit spreading the Word of God. The reaching hands, in a rainbow of colors, symbolize that the Bible is for all creation. The banner is rotating among the parish congregations over the next months.

Bind Us Together



IN OUR PRAYERS.

Our Ministry Partners:

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church, Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services, Lutheran Counseling Network, Lutheran World Relief

Paul Aldrich (Lageson Family friend), Michele Berger (Karey Coble's friend), Terry Chausee (Cathy Edwards' son-in-law), Neal Beachinor (Paul Désilet's uncle), Larry & Marcie Clure (Dán & Sándy Hendricks' friend), Marilyn Cristofori (Kelli Jo Winkler's friend), Joyce Daily (David Osborne's aunt), Janice Davidson (Sandy Flying Cloud's friend), Patricia Dwonch (Stephanie Almeida's aunt), Mason Gordon (Curcio Family friend), Cami Grillo (member), Phyllis Hoefer (Marlis Pehling's Friend), Tao Hong (Joy Fu's husband), Bernie Jenkins (Jane King's friend), Marcella (Benson family friend), Tom McMaster (Dawn Bastin's father), Mark Nesse (Darci Desilet's stepfather), Bruce Niermeyer (Cook family friend), Marvin Richter (Renee Markert's father), Richard Robilard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Audrey Sheffler (Sherrill Baker's friend), Heather Smith (Cami Grillo's niece), Sylvia Stevens (wife of Steve Stevens and Bob Berg's friend), Dan Thomson (Jane King'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:
Addison Albert (Hamilton family friend), Jacquie & Dick Craft (Thieme family friends), Joan Davis (Curcio family friend), Theda Dawley (Ćris Sherman's mother-in-law), Sherri Gordon (regular visitor), Marge Gonyea (member), Keith Hood (member), Bernard (Buck) Kelly (Betty Kelly's husband), Melissa (Judy Richards' friend), Bill O'Neall (Ruth & Mark Neitzel's friend), Gunn Nesse (Andy Nesse's mother), Richard Peterson (Sherri Gordon's father), Shirley Peterson (Haley LaFord's grandmother), Steve Polkinghorn (Cathy Tanner's friend), Elodie Ragan (member), Mary Riley (Donella Robbins' friend), Wade Sanders (Ida Beth Morgan's son-in -law), Mona Shogren (member), Gordon Tibbetts (Sherrill Baker's friend), Kimi Toyoda (member), Heidi Van Doren (member), Jeff Ward (Melanie Veazey's brother-in-law), Phyllis Watters (member) & Connie Wolter (member).

Special Prayers: Joan Davis & family (Curcio family friends) and Breanna & Cody (Linda Siebert's niece and her husband)

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Perdy Carlson (member), Vivian Carlton (member), Phyllis Enger (member), Ardyce Johnson (member), Carol Nelson (member), Erik Olson (member), Arlene O'Neall (Ruth & Mark Neitzel's friend), Lillian & Lawrence Romaniuk (Leon Romaniuk's parents), Eleanor Simonsen (Lisa Graumlich's mother-in-law), Joyce Sullivan (member) & Fran Tazuma (member).

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

Israel/Palestine, Syria, Afghanistan, 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) and Kelsey Schunk (Jack Schunk's granddaughter)

PEACE CORPS: Maoulay Adjorlolo (member)

Prayer shawls are available upon request.

August 6, 2017 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Ephesian 6:10-20 The Whole Armor of God

> Attendance: 125 July 23, 2017

General Offerings: \$5.510 Mortgage Fund: \$568

Amount needed per Sunday:

General Offerings: \$9,038 Mortgage Fund: \$1,098

INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, July 30 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome Pastor Lindberg

9:30 am Summer Worship

10:30 am Summer Fellowship Hour

11:00 am Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship 4:00 pm Vacation Bible School Set-up and Meeting

Monday, July 31

9:00 am—Noon Preschool—Kindergarten Vacation Bible School 9:00 am—3:00 pm Grades 1 –5 Vacation Bible School Day Camp

Tuesday, August 1

9:00 am—Noon Preschool—Kindergarten Vacation Bible School 9:00 am—3:00 pm Grades 1 –5 Vacation Bible School Day Camp

9:30 am Lectionary — Meet in the library to study next Sunday's Bible text. All are welcome!

10:00 am Living Truth Fellowship 6:00 pm Property Committee

7:00 pm IT/Communications Committee

Wednesday, August 2

9:00 am—Noon Preschool—Kindergarten Vacation Bible School 9:00 am—3:00 pm Grades 1 –5 Vacation Bible School Day Camp

Thursday, August 3

9:00 am—Noon Preschool—Kindergarten Vacation Bible School 9:00 am—3:00 pm Grades 1 –5 Vacation Bible School Day Camp

Friday, August 4

Saturday, August 5

9:00 am Altar Guild

Garden Guild

Sunday, August 6 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome Pastor Lindberg

9:30 am Summer Worship

10:30 am Summer Fellowship Hour

11:00 am Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship

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.

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.

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.



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SERMON NOTES

Interesting things I heard:
My favorite quote:
Main message:



