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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

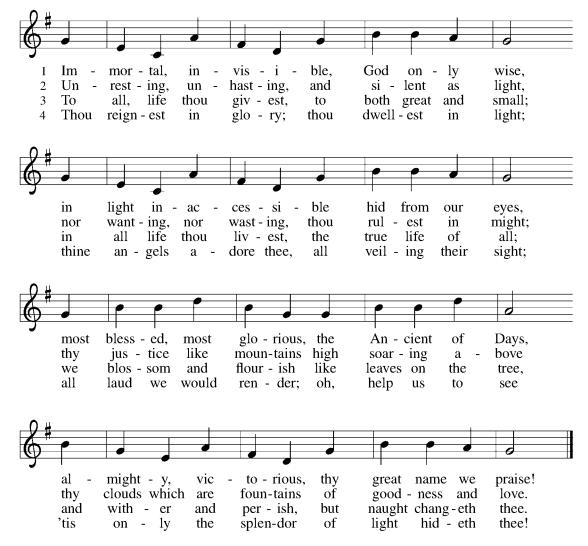
- + Please sign the white card in the pew rack and hand it to an usher on your way forward for Holy Communion.
- + The service is printed in this bulletin. Some hymns are located in the red hymn book.
- + Hearing enhancement receivers, large print bulletins are available. Feel free to ask an usher for 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: Andante (F. Mendelssohn) WELCOME

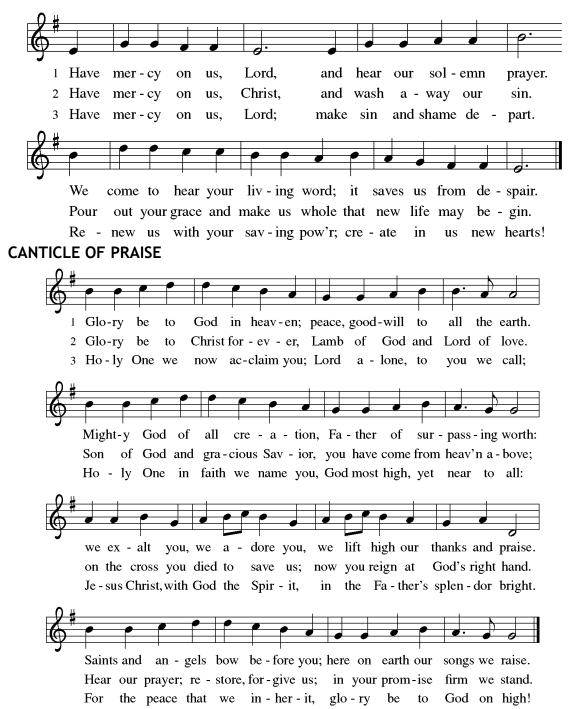
GATHERING SONG: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (ELW 834)



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.

KYRIE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

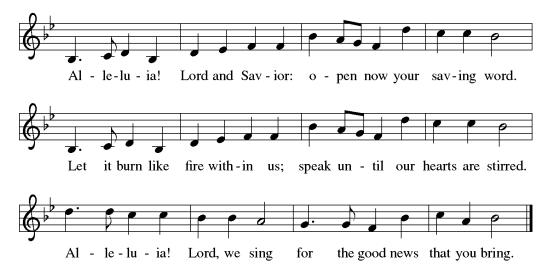
Let us pray.

God of light, there can be overwhelming obscurity in this world. But you shine your light and increase joy, and for your brilliance we are grateful. Amen.

ANTHEM: As the Dark Awaits the Dawn (C. Schalk)

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

WELCOMING THE WORD



THE WORD: Isaiah 9:1-7

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

² The people who walked in darkness

have seen a great light;

those who lived in a land of deep darkness -

on them light has shined.

³You have multiplied the nation,

you have increased its joy;

they rejoice before you

as with joy at the harvest,

as people exult when dividing plunder.

⁴For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. ^bFor all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. ⁶For a child has been born for us. a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Word of God, word of life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON:

Roger Steinke, Director of REACH Ministries

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (ELW 815)



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.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

One with the communion of saints in all times and places, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence for self-reflection.

O God, our merciful redeemer,

we confess the ways we live only for ourselves. We fail to see you in our neighbor's face. We turn our ears from voices that cry out. We pass by the hungry and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sin and strengthen us for service to all in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake, God forgives you all your sin. Blessed are you! Rejoice and be glad, beloved people of God.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Welcoming God's reign of righteousness and mercy, let us pray with people of every time and place.

We pray for the church. Enliven its witness in ecumenical ministries, feeding programs, and new ventures. Open our hearts to friendships that share faith, and open our mouths to share your good news. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for parks and open spaces, for clean air and clear water. Help us protect places where we are reminded of God's work in creation and find renewal. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who have been and are still today enslaved, trafficked, or oppressed. Make clear the needs of those who are silenced by suffering, that we may listen and bring an end to exploitation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who cry out for healing, hope, or help, and for those for whom we have promised to pray, especially Dan, Jena, Jim, Lana, the Shirley family, the Davis family and the Gordon family. Bring relief to caregivers and surround those who are lonely with your powerful presence. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for those who are Transgendered in our community. Lift them up as the blessing they are and always have been. Give them strength to live fully into their being. Help us end the violence, hatred and fear that our siblings have endured and are enduring even as we pray. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For whom do the people pray?

Lord, our dwelling place in all generations, we remember with thanksgiving all who have died in you. Teach us to count our days as gifts from you. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Receive these prayers and the hopes and concerns of our hearts, O God, as we entrust into your loving care all for whom we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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: Dundee (H. Willan)

OFFERING: The offering of flowers is given to the glory of God by Bob Berg in loving memory of his wife, Diane, on what would have been their 40th wedding anniversary.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Creator God, you made everything, and you provide for every need. The bread we break and the wine we pour come from you. As we eat and drink with thanksgiving, fill us with your love; let that love flow through us to others; and join us to the saints before us in a holy and boundless communion; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

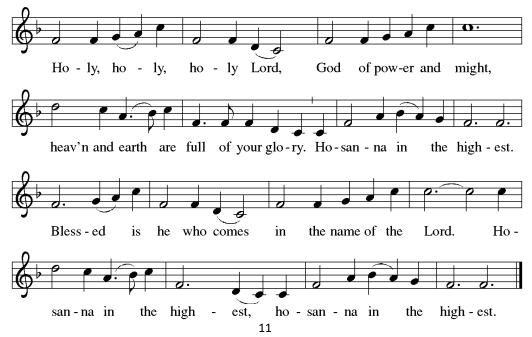
GREAT THANKSGIVING

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; 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:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal: surrounded by evil and bordered by death we appeal to you, our Sovereign, our Wisdom, and our Judge.

We praise you for Christ, who proclaimed your reign of peace and promised an end to injustice and harm.

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, the sacrifice of his life and death and the victory of his resurrection, we await with all the saints his loving redemption of our suffering world.

Send your Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine and on all who share in the body and blood of your Son: teach us your mercy and justice, and make all things new in Christ.

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

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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

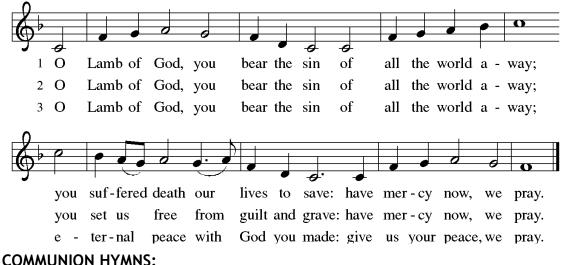
Hunger no more. Thirst no more. Come to the banquet of life.

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.

THE LAMB OF GOD



My God, How Wonderful Thou Art (ELW 863) Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness (ELW 843)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Sovereign God, in this meal you give us a foretaste of the great feast to come. Keep us faithful to you, that we, with all your saints, may at length celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

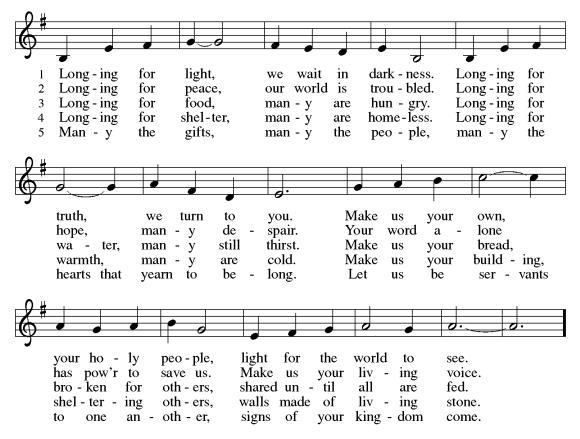
God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

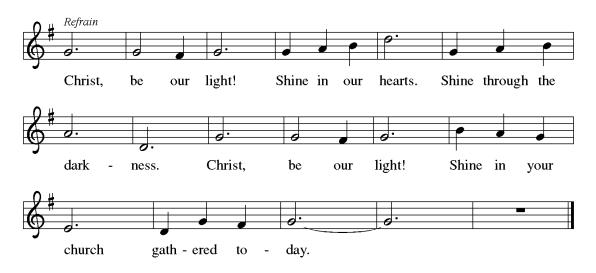
ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The love of God surround you; the grace of Christ release you; and the Holy Spirit be your guide and strength, now and forevermore. Amen.

SENDING SONG: Christ, Be Our Light (ELW 715)





DISMISSAL

Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: A Short Voluntary (Worgan)

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.

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Assisting With Today's Service: 8:30 am				
Presiding Minister	Rev. Tor Kristian Berg	Ushers	Allen Glenn & Mark Neitzel	
Music Director	Lucy Kay Osborne	Communion Assistants	Ann Aagaard, Ruth Neitzel & Lynn Scoggins	
Lector	Mark Hatlen	Sound Tech	Ann Bormann	
Acolyte	Audrey Busch & Levi Schnarre	Greeter	Carsten Thode	

<u>November 26, 2017 Christ the King Sunday</u> Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14 Jeremiah's Letter to the Exiles		
<u>November 12, 2017</u>	Attendance: 240	
General Offerings: \$17,093	Mortgage Fund: \$793	
Amount needed per Sunday:		
General Offerings: \$9,038	Mortgage Fund: \$1,098	

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.



INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, November 19 Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am	Worship
9:45 am	Education Hour
11:00 am	Worship
	Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship
12:30 pm	Living Truth Lunch
3:00 pm	Senior Members and Friends Thanksgiving Dinner - The youth will help prepare and serve a
	traditional Thanksgiving feast for our distinguished members and guests!
5:00 pm	Lyrical Arts Concert—All are welcome to this beautiful choral concert in the sanctuary!

Monday, November 20

Tuesday, November 21

9:30 am	Lectionary — Meet in the library to study next Sunday's Bible text. All are welcome!
10:00 am	Living Truth Fellowship
11:00 am	Staff Meeting
6:00 pm	Personnel Committee
7:00 pm	Church Council Meeting

Wednesday, November 22

Pastor Berg's Sabbath No Preschool

Thursday, November 23

Happy Thanksgiving Church Office Closed

Friday, November 24

Church Office Close	ed
10:00 am	Living Truth Basic Beliefs
7:00 pm	Living Truth Bible Study

Saturday, November 25

Sunday, November 26 Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am	Worship with Isaac Richards' Holy Baptism
9:45 am	NO Education Hour
11:00 am	Worship with Anna Batstone's Holy Baptism
	Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship
12:30 pm	Living Truth Lunch



IN OUR PRAYERS

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), Bill Beasley (Russel's brother-in-law); Michele Berger (Karey Coble's friend), Terry Chausee (Cathy Edwards' son-in-law), Neal Beachinor (Paul Desilet's uncle), Larry & Marcie Clure (Dan & Sandy Hendricks' friend), Kim Coleman (Kris Linderoth's friend), Joyce Daily (David Osborne's aunt), Janice Davidson (Sandy Flying Cloud's friend), Patricia Dwonch (Stephanie Almeida's aunt), Mikee Epply (Elodie Ragan's friend), Paul Gabrielsen (member), Mason Gordon (Curcio Family friend), Cami Grillo (member), Edith Holbrook (member), Tao Hong (Joy Fu's husband), Bernie Jenkins (Jane King's friend), Darryl Lageson (member), Marcella (Benson family friend), Tom McMaster (Dawn Bastin's father), Mark Nesse (Darci Desilet's stepfather), Bruce Niermeyer (Cook family friend), Pam (Melanie Veazey's cousin), Kenneth Rapp (Loretta Rapp's son), Marvin Richter (Renee Markert's father), Richard Robilard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Audrey Sheffler (Sherrill Baker's friend), Jen Shirley (Curcio family friend), Heather Smith (Cami Grillo's niece), Sylvia Stevens (wife of Steve Stevens and Bob Berg's friend), Sue (Paula Glandon'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), Jack Barry (Betty Brown's friend), Don Brown (Betty Brown's friend), Lou Bruce (Cathy Edwards' friends), Jacquie & Dick Craft (Thieme family friends), Joan Davis (Curcio family friend), Theda Dawley (Cris Sherman's mother-in-law), Cathy Edwards (member), Sherri Gordon (regular visitor), Marge Gonyea (member), Gloria Groff (Cathy Edwards' friend), Kelsey & baby boy (Karlie Bannister's friend). Edna McDonald (JoAnn Poor's fiend), Melissa (Judy Richards' friend), Bill O'Neall (Ruth & Mark Neitzel's friend), Gunn Nesse (Andy Nesse's mother), Richard Peterson (Sherri Gordon's father), Steve Polkinghorn (Cathy Tanner's friend), Elodie Ragan (Member), Mary Riley (Donella Robbins' friend), Wade Sanders (Ida Beth Morgan's sonin-law), Sharel Sheldrake (member), Mona Shogren (member), Debbie Slaughter (Kevin & Vicki Kastning's friend), Lana Tanner (Cathy Tanner's daughter-in-law), Gordon Tibbetts (Sherrill Baker's friend), Heidi Van Doren (member), Jeff Ward (Melanie Veazey's brother-in-law), Phyllis Watters (member) Lily Wichman (Holmes family friend), & Connie Wolter (member).

<u>Special Prayers:</u> The Davis family (Curcio family friends), the Gordon family (Curcio family friends), Dan Kennedy (Ian Anderson's friend), Jim & Jenna MacPherson (Chester family friends), Sarah (Cathy Edwards' granddaughter), The Shirley family (Curcio family friends).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Marilyn Anderson (member), Margie Bannister (member), Perdy Carlson (member), Phyllis Enger (member), Ardyce Johnson (member), Carol Nelson (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, 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)

PEACE CORPS: Maoulay Adjorlolo (member)

SERMON NOTES

Interesting things I heard:

My favorite quote:

Main message:

