February 11, 2018 Transfiguration of Our Lord 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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WORSHIP NOTES

- + 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

Assisting With Today's Service:			
Presiding Minister	Rev. Tor K. Berg	Ushers	Lloyd Condra & Rob McCaw
Ensemble Director	Richard Edmonds	Communion Assistants	Stephanie Almeida & Marilyn Kay
Piano	June Condra	Sound Tech	Andrew Phelps
Violin	Alexia Payne	Greeter	Marilyn Iverson
Percussion	Joe Siebert	Lector	Jeffrey Kosman
Ensemble	Rachel Jackman, Randall Wampler, Doug Peterson & Johannes Skjonsby	Acolyte	Alex Freriks

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE: This Little Light Of Mine (Harry Loes)

WELCOME

MEDITATION SONG: Lord Jesus Christ, Your Light Shines



OPENING DIALOGUE: Psalm 50:1-6

The Lord, greater than all gods, summons the earth from east to west, makes light shine from Zion, beauty beyond compare.

The Lord will not be silent but comes in fire and storm to summon the earth and heaven as witness to our trial:

"Gather the faithful who seal my covenant with sacrifice." The heavens will testify that God, our judge, is just.

ENTRANCE HYMN: Beautiful Savior (ELW 838)



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.

God of miracles, sometimes we are slow to believe in your power, even when your miracles occur all around us each and every day. Open our eyes to see and our hearts to believe. Amen.

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

WELCOMING THE WORD: Open Our Eyes, Lord (W&P 113)



THE WORD: John 9:1-41

¹As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. ²His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" ³Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." ⁶When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, ⁷saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. ⁸The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" ⁹Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." ¹⁰But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" ¹¹He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." ¹²They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

¹³They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. ¹⁵Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." ¹⁶Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. ¹⁷So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

¹⁸The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight ¹⁹and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" ²⁰His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; ²¹but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." ²²His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. ²³Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

²⁴So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." ²⁵He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." ²⁶They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" ²⁷He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" ²⁸Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. ²⁹We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." ³⁰The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet

he opened my eyes. ³¹We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. ³²Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. ³³If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." ³⁴They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

³⁵Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" ³⁶He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." ³⁷Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." ³⁸He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. ³⁹Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." ⁴⁰Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" ⁴¹Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains.

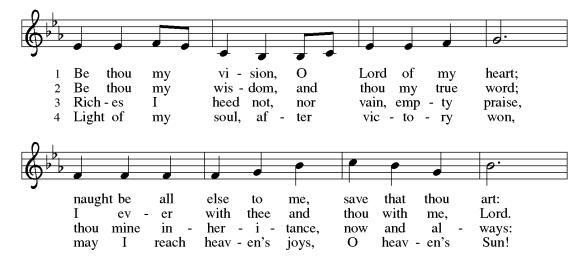
Word of God. Word of life.

ANTHEM: Open My Eyes, O God (M. Haugen)

CHILDREN'S SERMON: Roger Steinke, Director of REACH Ministries

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: Be Thou My Vision (ELW 793)





CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Silence for self-examination.

Loving God,

we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly; we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know; we have thought more about ourselves than others; we have thought less of ourselves than we ought. Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.

Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are

forgiven, for the sake of + Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Confident that God our light and our salvation hears us when we pray, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

For the ministry of the gospel proclaimed in word and deed, for congregations near and far, and for all who show the face of Christ throughout the world, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For the well-being of creation, for plants and animals, seas and skies, and creatures seen and unseen, that all may be guided by your Holy Spirit to be stewards of our earth, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For firefighters and police officers, attorneys and advocates, civil servants and corporate executives, and leaders of governments, that through their insight and patience, peace and justice prevail throughout the world, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially Elodie and Brian, that as Christ was transfigured on the mountaintop, sickness will be turned into health, loneliness into companionship, bereavement into consolation, and suffering into assurance, let us pray. Have mercy, O God. For companions who accompany us on our journeys through life, for this community of faith that supports us, and for guidance during difficult times, that we see the glory of God revealed around us, let us pray. Have mercy, O God.

For whom do the people pray?

In thanksgiving for the faithful departed who now rest from their earthly pilgrimage, that their lives of service and prayer inspire us in our days, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

Merciful God, you hear our prayers even before we speak them. Receive them for the sake of the one through whom you have revealed your goodness, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

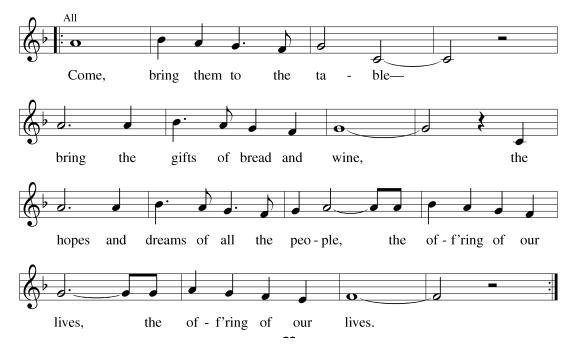
The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY: Wind Upon the Waters (Marty Haugen)

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: Come, Bring Them to the Table



OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful God, receive the gifts we bring, our selves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

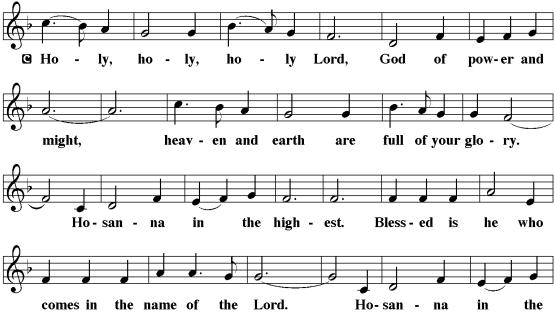
DIALOGUE

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 ... Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup ... 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. Bless our Eucharistic Ministers who bring this food to our church family who cannot be here. May their presence be a sign of your love.

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

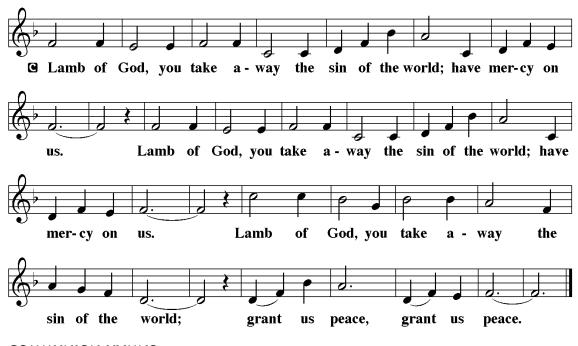
LORD'S PRAYER

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

COMMUNION HYMNS: Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound (ELW 779) I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (ELW 815)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

O Morning Star, fair and bright, you have refreshed us again with heavenly food. You are our dearest treasure. Go with us now— today, tomorrow, every day—that we tell the story of your never-ending love and sing your praise both now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: We Are Marching in the Light (ELW 866) (next page)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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We Are Marching in the Light of God 4 Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the nyen'kwen-khos'. Si - ya hamb' e - ku-kha - nyen' kwen-khos', march - ing in the light of God, light of God. We are -- 3 ----ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'. si _ are march-ing in the light of we God. Si - ya - ham - ba 00 (ham - ba, si ya ham - ba) We are march-ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) OO si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen khos'. we are march-ing in the light of God. Si - ya - ham - ba 00 (ham - ba, si ya ham - ba) We are march-ing (march - ing, we march - ing) 00 are 3 si hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen khos'. ya march - ing in the light of God. we are Additional stanzas ad lib .: We are dancing ...

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We are praying ... We are singing ... February 18, 2018 First Sunday in Lent
John 11:1-44
The Raising of LazurusFebruary 4, 2018Attendance: 197General Offerings: \$12,593Mortgage Fund: \$1,520
Amount needed per Sunday:
General Offerings: \$9,038General Offerings: \$9,038Mortgage 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.



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.

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.

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); Barbara Bastin (Clint Bastin's mother), Debbie Bell (Renee Markert's cousin), 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), Bob Davis (Curcio family friend), Patricia Dwonch (Stephanie Almeida's aunt), Mikee Epply (Elodie Ragan's friend), Mason Gordon (Curcio Family friend), Cami Grillo (member), Edith Holbrook (member), Darryl Lageson (member), Tom McMaster (Dawn Bastin's father), Mark Nesse (Darci Desilet's stepfather), Susan Oja (Cathy Tanner's friend), Pam (Melanie Veazey's cousin), Kenneth Rapp (Loretta Rapp's son), Marvin Richter (Renee Markert's father), Richard Robilard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Robin (Sherrill and Larry Baker's acquaintance), Audrey Sheffler (Sherrill Baker's friend), Jen Shirley (Curcio family friend), Sylvia Stevens (wife of Steve Stevens and Bob Berg's friend), Sue (Paula Glandon'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:

John Anderson (former member), Peter Barnard (Pastor Berg's friend), Brian (Kimi & Sue Toyoda's friend), Cathy Edwards (member), Nancy Graumlich (member), Elodie Ragan (member), Jenny Robinson (Kathy Chester's cousin), Cristofer Whipple (Richard & Carolyn Whipple's son) & Connie Wolter (member).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Margie Bannister (member), Perdy Carlson (member), Phyllis Enger (member), Ardyce Johnson (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), Sigrid & Manfred Thode (Carsten Thode's parents), & 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) 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)

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, February 11 Transfiguration of Our Lord

8:30 am	Worship
9:45 am	Education Hour
	Living Truth Bible Study
10:00 am	Ensemble Rehearsal
11:00 am	Worship
	Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship
12:30 pm	Living Truth Lunch
3:45 pm	Annual Youth Auction— <i>All are welcome!</i>

Monday, February 12

Tuesday, February 13

9:30 am	Lectionary — Meet in the library with Pastor Berg, to study next Sunday's Bible text. All are
	welcome!
11:00 am	Staff Meeting
6:00 pm	Choir Potluck
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, February 14

9:15 am	Preschool Chapel
10:00 am	Living Truth Fellowship
	Worship Team Meeting
12:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Worship
1:00 pm	Finance Committee
2:00 am	Preschool Chapel
7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Worship

Thursday, February 15

9:00 am	Quilters
9:15 am	Preschool Chapel
12:30 pm	Preschool Chapel

Friday, February 16

Pastor Berg's Sabbath 12:00 All Seasons Lunch

Saturday, February 17

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
Lenten Movie Viewing
Living Truth Gathering
Lenten Movie Viewing

Sunday, February 18 First Sunday in Lent

8:30 am	Worship
9:45 am	Education Hour
	Living Truth Bible Study
10:00 am	Ensemble Rehearsal
11:00 am	Worship
	Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship
12:30 pm	Living Truth is hosting a Chinese New Year Celebration— <i>All are welcome!</i>

SERMON NOTES

What caught my attention:

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

I think the title of the sermon should be:

