# October 14, 2018 Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost 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 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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## 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: Pastor Tor K. Berg Preaching Pastor Jade Yi

Ensemble Leader	Richard Edmonds	Ushers	Rob McCaw & Randall Wampler
Piano	June Condra	Lector	Linda Siebert
Percussion	Joe Siebert	Greeter	Tamara McIntyre
		Sound Tech	Alain Adjorlolo
Ensemble	Doug Peterson, Johannes Skjonsby & Curtis Kroger	Communion Assistants	Emily Curcio & Greta Nelson
Acolyte	Sarah Holmes	Pew Angel	Bobbi Osborne

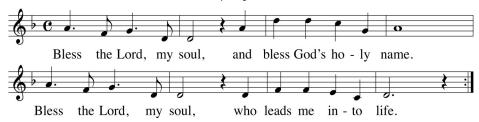
## **GATHERING**

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

## **PRELUDE**

## WELCOME

MEDITATION SONG: Bless the Lord, My Soul



PSALM: Psalm 90:12-17

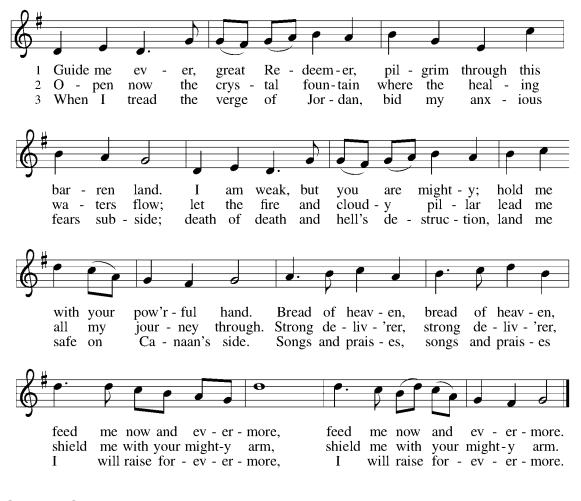
So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom. **Return, O Lorp; how long will you tarry? Be gracious to your servants.** Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us and as many years as we suffered adversity.

Show your servants your works, and your splendor to their children.

May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

# GATHERING SONG: Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer (ELW 618)



## **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 deliverance, you saved the people of Israel and chose Joshua to lead your people to the Promised Land. Choose us, and equip us to live with faith and peace. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# HYMN OF PRAISE: Kyrie eleison (W&P 81)

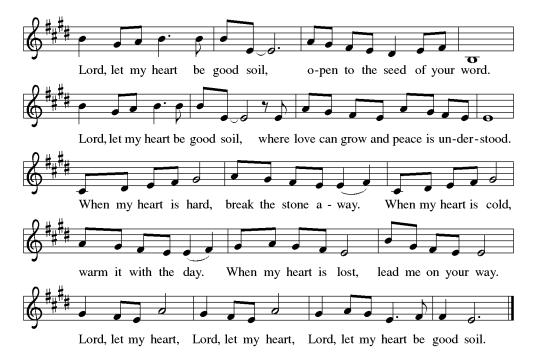


ANTHEM: We Will Serve the Lord (David Haas)

## WORD

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

# WELCOMING THE WORD: Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil (ELW 512)



# THE WORD: Joshua 24:1-15

A reading from Joshua. Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. <sup>2</sup>And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors — Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor — lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. <sup>3</sup>Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many. I gave him Isaac; <sup>4</sup>and to Isaac I gave Jacob and Esau. I gave Esau the hill country of Seir to possess, but Jacob and his children went down to Egypt. <sup>5</sup>Then I sent Moses and Aaron, and I plagued Egypt with what I did in its midst; and afterwards I brought you out. 6When I brought your ancestors out of Egypt, you came to the sea; and the Egyptians pursued your ancestors with chariots and horsemen to the Red Sea. When they cried out to the LORD, he put darkness between you and the Egyptians, and made the sea come upon them and cover them; and your eyes saw what I did to Egypt. Afterwards you lived in the wilderness a long time. 8Then I brought you to the land of the

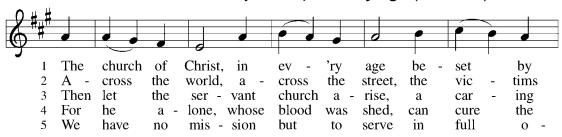
Amorites, who lived on the other side of the Jordan; they fought with you, and I handed them over to you, and you took possession of their land, and I destroyed them before you. <sup>9</sup>Then King Balak son of Zippor of Moab, set out to fight against Israel. He sent and invited Balaam son of Beor to curse you, 10 but I would not listen to Balaam; therefore he blessed you; so I rescued you out of his hand. <sup>11</sup>When you went over the Jordan and came to Jericho, the citizens of Jericho fought against you, and also the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Girgashites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; and I handed them over to you. <sup>12</sup>I sent the hornet ahead of you, which drove out before you the two kings of the Amorites; it was not by your sword or by your bow. <sup>13</sup>I gave you a land on which you had not labored, and towns that you had not built, and you live in them; you eat the fruit of vineyards and oliveyards that you did not plant. <sup>14</sup>Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. 15 Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

Word of God. Word of life.

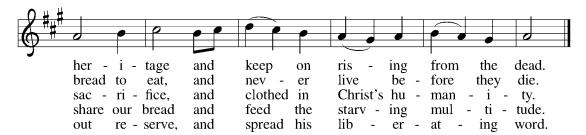
CHILDREN'S SERMON: Roger Steinke, Director of REACH Ministries

## **SERMON**

# HYMN OF THE DAY: The Church of Christ, in Every Age (ELW 729)







## **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.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Longing for God's will to be fulfilled among us, we pray persistently for the church, the world, and all people in need.

Almighty God, holy and righteous, cut our hearts open by your living word. Break down our pride and self-assurance, and transform us by your gentle mercy. Lord, in your mercy,

# hear our prayer.

Bless workers who clear fields to prepare for the barren season to come. Bring the harvest of your creation to completion, even as we look forward to the blossoming of new life. Lord, in your mercy,

# hear our prayer.

Exercise and establish your true justice in courtrooms, in prisons, and in neighborhoods. Guide those who manage great wealth to do so with generosity and compassion. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Pour out favor this day upon those who are afflicted and feel far removed from you. Send them companions who will show them you are ever near. Lord, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

Build up relationships among people of different beliefs and backgrounds. Use the cooperation between this congregation and others in our community to reveal your goodness. Lord, in your mercy,

# hear our prayer.

For whom do the people pray?

Gather us with all the saints whom you have made righteous in the death and resurrection of Christ. We lift before you Karen's mother Alta. Through him give us all the gifts of your kingdom and life eternal. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Enfold all things in your compassion, O God, and bring us into your life through the faithfulness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

Silence for self-reflection.

Source of all life,

we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.

God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

## **PEACE**

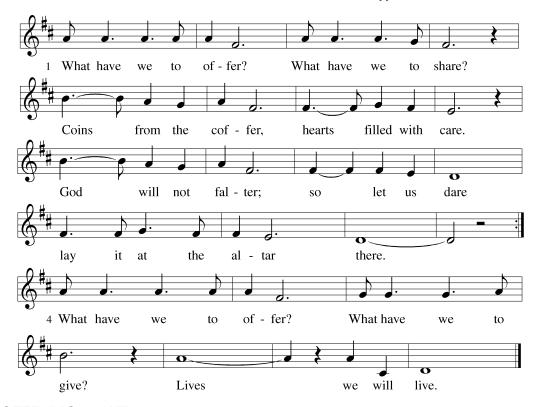
The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL
God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

## **OFFERTORY**

# PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: What Have We to Offer?



## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. Amen.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

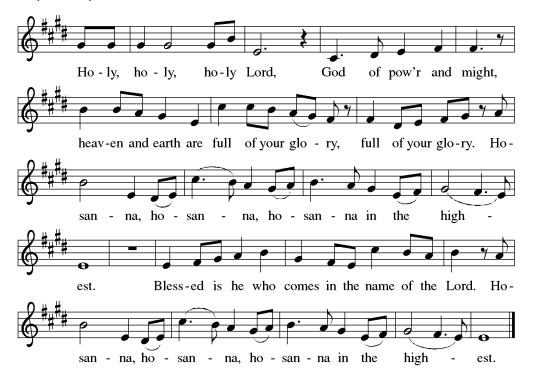
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food, you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance. You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life, and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven. You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.

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 life given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Bless those who will bring this meal to those who can not be with us this day. May it strengthen their faith.

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

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught 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.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

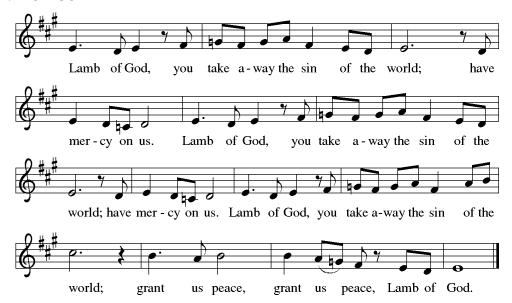
Speak to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, and make us one with you.

**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:**

Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am (ELW 814) O Jesus, I Have Promised (ELW 810)

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

## **SENDING**

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

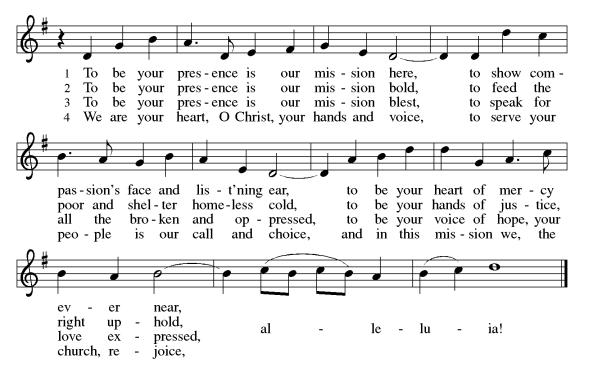
## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **BLESSING**

God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being; Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead; Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church: Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

## Amen.

# SENDING SONG: To Be Your Presence (ELW 546)



## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Sound the good news.

Thanks be to God.

## **POSTLUDE**

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## October 21, 2018 Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 11:1-5, 26-27; 12:1-9

**Weekly Financial Report** 

October 7, 2018 Attendance: 195

General Offerings: \$ Mortgage Fund: \$

Amount needed per Sunday:

**General Offerings:** \$9,907 **Mortgage Fund:** \$1,098

#### IN OUR PRAYERS

#### **Our Ministry Partners:**

Bothell Chinese Mission, Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services, Lutheran Counseling Network, Lutheran World Relief

Those who have recently died: Alta Olson (Karen Higgins' mother)

## Those living with cancer:

Audrey (Sherrill & Larry Baker's friend), Barbara (Clint Bastin's mother), Joyce (David Osborne's aunt), Patricia (Stephanie Almeida's aunt), Linda (Paul Ehe's mother), Cami Grillo (member), Edith Holbrook (member), Mark (Darci Desilet's stepfather), Susan (Cathy Tanner's friend), Pam (Melanie Veazey's cousin), Marvin (Renee Markert's father), Richard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Pam (Marlis Pehling's niece), Teresa (Michelle Tuck's friend), Roger (Michelle Tuck's brother-in-law), Tim (Neil McGee's friend), Kip (Paul Desilet's uncle), Rick Ulvin (Karen & Ray Thomas' friend) & Joanne (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law).

#### Those who are ill, have an injury or who are recovering from surgery:

Jeff Almeida (Stephanie Almeida's husband), Kathy Chester (member), Desiree (Stacey & Mike Souriall's daughter), Trudy Eichelsdoerfer (member), Paul Anderson (member), Sarah (Cathy Edwards' grand daughter), George (Geri Crawford's friend), Elodie Ragan (member), Ryan (Cathy Edwards' grandson), Swede (Sherrill & Larry Baker's friend), Sue Toyoda (member), & Tom (Dawn Bastin's father).

#### Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Margie Bannister (member), Phyllis Enger (member), Lillian & Lawrence (Leon Romaniuk's parents), Joyce Sullivan (member), Fran Tazuma (member), Sigrid (Carsten Thode's mother), & 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) & Christopher Whipple (Carolyn & Richard Whipple's son)

We are honored to be able to pray for your family members 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, October 14 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour for All Ages

10:00 am Ensemble Rehearsal

11:00 am Worship

5:00 pm Journey Class: In the Beginning, led by Lloyd Condra

7:00 pm Cottage Meeting #4

Monday, October 15

6:30 pm Hannah Circle

7:00 pm Cottage Meeting #5 & #6

Tuesday, October 16

9:15 am Preschool Chapel

9:30 am Lectionary

11:00 am Staff Meeting

6:00 pm Personnel Committee

7:00 pm Church Council

**Brass Ensemble Rehearsal** 

#### Wednesday, October 17

10:00 am Rebecca Circle

Peace by Piece Sewing

11:00 am Worship Team Meeting

12:30 pm Preschool Chapel

7:00 pm Cottage Meeting #7

## Thursday, October 18

9:00 am Quilters

9:15 am Preschool Chapel

7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir

#### Friday, October 19

Church Office Closed

Pastor's Sabbath Day

1:30 Quilt-a-Thon

5:00 pm Quilt-a-Thon supper

6:00 pm Quitl-a-Thon

## Saturday, October 20

9:00 am Quilt-a-Thon

Men's Breakfast

## Sunday, October 21 Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

#### Quilt Blessing Sunday!

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour for All Ages

10:00 am Ensemble Rehearsal

11:00 am Worship

5:00 pm Journey Class: In the Beginning, lead by Lloyd Condra

7:00 pm Cottage Meeting #8 & #9

# **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:
At First Lutheran God calls us to:

**SERVE** the needs of a broken world; and in all we do, **PROCLAIM** the love and saving grace of Jesus Christ.

**CARE** for one another in community, **GROW** in faith and discipleship,

