September 11, 2016 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM



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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 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

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE: Trumpet Voluntary in D (David Johnson)

WELCOME

Eucharistic Ministry

Every Sunday there are several wood 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 out. They pray and bring comfort to those who cannot be with their worshipping community of faith.

GATHERING SONG: All Are Welcome (ELW 641)



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



CANTICLE OF PRAISE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

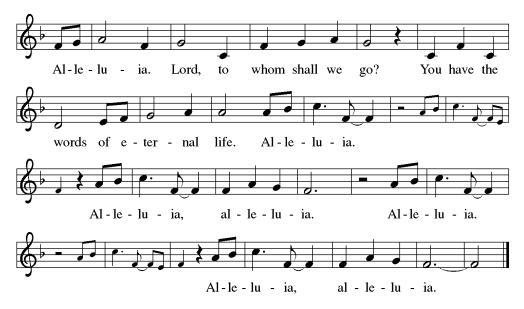
Lord God, you have placed us in the middle of your great creation full of goodness and plenty. Yet, we often turn that goodness into rot, that plenty into scarcity. Help us, we pray, to turn back to you, to become worthy of your creation. Amen.

ANTHEM: A Jubilant Song (Mary Lynn Lightfoot)

WORD

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

WELCOMING THE WORD



THE WORD: Genesis 2:4-7, 15-17; 3:1-8

In the day that the Lord GOD made the earth and the heavens, 5 when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up — for the Lord GOD had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; 6 but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground — 7 then the Lord GOD formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. 15 The Lord GOD took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. 16 And the Lord GOD commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; 17 but of the tree of the

knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" ²The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die." ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

⁸They heard the sound of the Lord GOD walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord GOD among the trees of the garden.

Word of God.

Word of life.

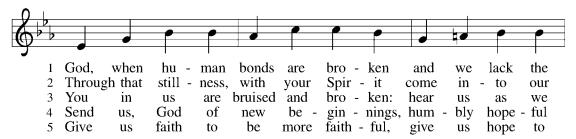
CHILDREN'S SERMON: Roger Steinke, Director of REACH Ministries

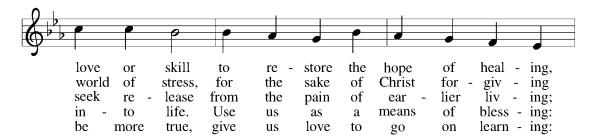
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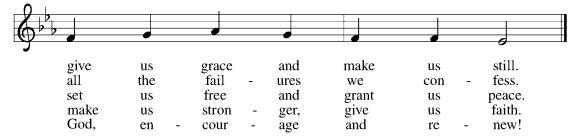
New! E-Giving Offering cards are now available for you to drop in the plate if you give electronically. To give now, scan here.



HYMN OF THE DAY: God, When Human Bonds Are Broken (ELW 603)







AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence,

to live with respect in Creation,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing in the Spirit's work among us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

Gracious God, we thank you for your word that strengthens the weak and the faint in heart. We thank you for your word that encourages the believer and saves sinners. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for those places in our world ravaged by fires or floods (*especially*). Restore the land, and bless the efforts of those who work to save and protect it. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for the leaders of nations and all those in positions of authority. Guide them as they make decisions for the good of all. Lead them in the ways that make for peace. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for those who suffer as the result of war, violence, terrorism, or natural disaster. And we pray for those who willingly serve others in dangerous situations: first responders, firefighters, emergency medical personnel, members of the military, law enforcement. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for our congregation. Prepare us to welcome newcomers. Make this a place of hope for the least of these in our community. Be with those who are sick, injured, or in any need especially Anita and Greg, . Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

Let us remember with thanksgiving the blessed dead who rest from their labors especially Nicholas Griffith. Gladden us by their lives of faith, and at the last day unite us in the joy of heaven. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence for self-reflection.

God of overflowing grace,

we come to you with repentant hearts. Forgive us for shallow thankfulness. Forgive us for passing by the ones in need. Forgive us for setting our hopes on fleeting treasures. Forgive us our neglect and thoughtlessness. Bring us home from the wilderness of sin, and strengthen us to serve you in all that we do and say; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

There is joy in heaven over every sinner who repents. By the grace of God in + Christ Jesus, who gave himself up for us all, your sins are forgiven and you are made free. Rejoice with the angels and with one another! We are home in God's mercy, now and forever.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

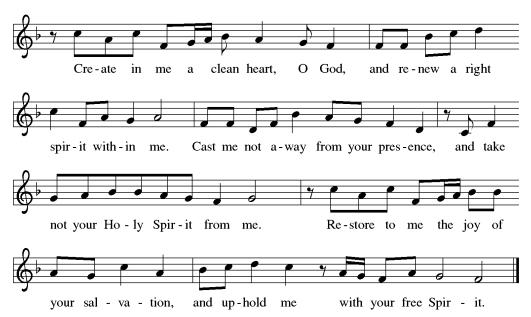
MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

Offertory: Oh, Bread of Life From Heaven (Dale Wood)

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: Create in Me a Clean Heart



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

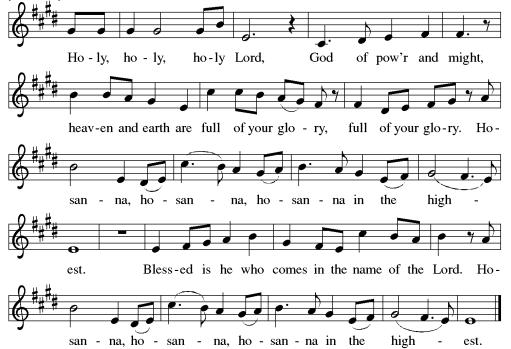
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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, 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.

Gracious God, anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and sacrament to our sisters and brothers in their homes, in prisons and in hospitals.

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

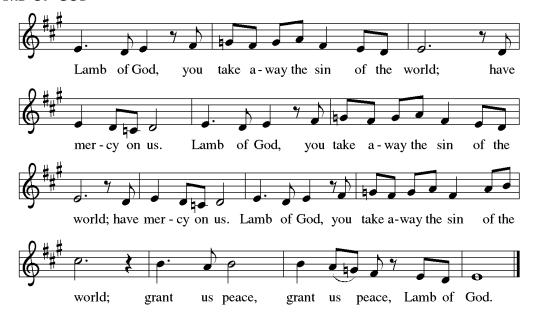
Take hold of the life that really is life. Come, take your place at the table.

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.

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:

Let Us Break Bread Together (ELW 471) Bread of Life from Heaven (ELW 474) Come, Let Us Eat (ELW 491)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

We come again to you, O God, giving you thanks that in this feast of mercy you have embraced us and healed us, making us one in the body of Christ. Go with us on our way. Equip us for every good work, that we may continue to give you thanks by embracing others with mercy and healing; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

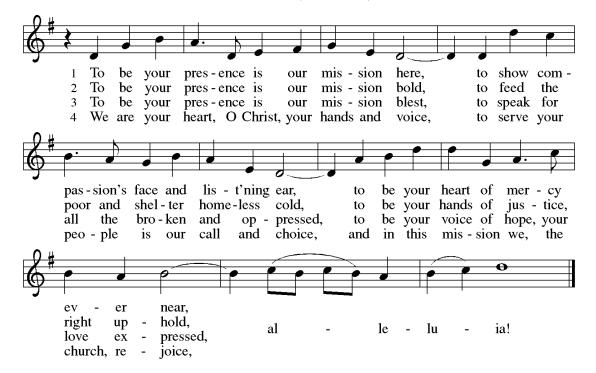
BLESSING OF THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

BENEDICTION

God Almighty send you light and truth to keep you all the days of your life. The hand of God protect you; the holy angels accompany you; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG: To Be Your Presence (ELW 546)



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Trumpet Voluntary (John Stanley)

Assisting With Today's Service:

Organist	Lucy Kay Osborne	Ushers	Chris Cardwell & David Osborne
Choir Director	Sarah Moran	Communion Assistants	Mary Cardwell, Jeff Kosman & Jacky Schnarre
Lector	Joyce Thode	Sound Tech	Terry Barker
Acolyte	Benjamin & Levi Schnarre	Greeter	Carsten Thode

September 18, 2016 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Job 14:7-15; 19:23-27 Is There Hope?

Weekly Financial Report

September 4, 2016 Attendance: 136

General Offerings: \$11,731 Mortgage Fund: \$1,086

Amount needed per Sunday:

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



Evangelical Lutheran Church in AmericaGod's work. Our hands.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Our Ministry Partners:

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church, Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services and Texas-Louisianna Gulf Coast Synod—Flooding

Those living with cancer:

Carol Angello (Bob & Phyllis Watters' friend), Neal Beachinor (Paul Desilet's uncle), Janet Berg (Pastor and Susan Berg's sister-in-law), **Owen Carter** (Lisa Hamilton's friend), **Lynn Crutcher** (Busch family friend), Joyce Daily (David Osborne's aunt), Janice Davidson (Sandy Flying Cloud's friend), Pam Davis (Phelps family friend), Craig Decker (Judy & Dave Richards' friend), Pih Foo (Lisa and Brad Hamilton's friend), Sandra Glenn (member), Jan Gregersen (Nicole Thomas' friend),), Cami Grillo (member), Phyllis Hoefer (Marlis Pehling's friend), Tao Hong (Joy Fu's husband), Bernie Jenkins (Jane King's friend), Edna Kastning (member), Lee Larson (Beth Phelps' cousin), Marcella (Benson family friend), Mary Mahoney (Erika Beers' friend), Roy McMullen (Cathy Tanner's friend), Pete Nettles (Sherrill & Larry Baker's friend), Bruce Niermeyer (Cook family friend), Marvin Richter (Renee Markert's father), Audrey Sheffler (Sherrill Baker's friend), Heather Smith (Cami Grillo's niece), Dan Thomson (Jane King's friend), Maureen Volz (Doug & Jean Petersón's friend), Joanne Wejak (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law), Michael Wilson (Vicki Kastning's friend) and Darlene Zrust (Andrea Faubion's mother)

Those who are ill, have an injury or who are recovering from surgery:
Paul Aldrich (Lageson Family friend), Margie Benson (member), Jacquie & Dick Craft (Thieme family friends), Cathy Edwards (mémber), Sherri Gordon (règular visitor), Marge Gonyea (mèmber), Rachél & Jeff Danforth (member), Mary Riley (Donella Robbins' friend), Ryan & Sarah (Cathy Edwards' grandchildren), Karishma Skjonsby (member), Joyce Sullivan (member), Gordon Tibbetts (Sherrill Baker's friend), Sue Toyoda (member) and Phyllis Watters (member).

Special Prayers: Jeff & Ian Kosman (members), Mona Shogren (member) and Anita & Greg Griffith (Pastor Berg's cousin)

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Walter Appleseth (Sally Adams' father), Perdy Carlson (member), Claire (Sue Ebert's mother), Phyllis Enger (member), Ardyce Johnson (member), Carol Nelson (member), Erik Olson (member), Fran Tazuma (member), Helen Young (member) and Roger Zimmerman (Connie Wolter's brother)

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

Israel/Palestine, Syria, Afghanistan, Iraq, and those nations battling Boko Haram.

Those Serving Our Country:

AIR FORCE: Tyler Ripley (Ĵeanne Koruga's nephew) and Erin Siebert (Linda & Joe Siebert's daughter) ARMY: Christopher Field (Richard & Judy Edmonds' grandson) and Lucas Peters (Jim & Vernita Steege's grandson)

MARINES: James Bacon (Jeanne Koruga's friend), Olav Wampler (Elizabeth & Randall Wampler's son) and Luke Yandell (Annie McCracken's grandson)

NAVY: Karl Krueger (Karin Ulvin's friend), Toby Pickens (Jean Pickens' grandson), Kelsey Schunk (Jack Schunk's granddaughter)

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 the bread, the wine and 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.

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INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, September 11 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Rally Day!

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour

11:00 am Worship—With Living Truth Lutheran Church!

12:30 pm Rally Day Picnic! Join the fun at the all-church rally day picnic. Fun and games for the

whole family! Please bring a salad, side or desert to share. Hamburgers, hot dogs

and drinks provided!

7:00 pm Chime Choir

Monday, September 12

First Day of Preschool for the 4 Year Olds!

10:00 am Friends Supporting Friends—*Planning meeting in the library.*

Tuesday, September 13

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

11:00 am Staff Meeting

11:00 am WFLC Potluck Set-up4:30 pm Library Committee

5:30 pm Christian Education and Worship Committees

7:00 pm Fellowship, Finance, IT/Communications and Youth Committees

Wednesday, September 14

9:30 am WFLC (WELCA) Board Meeting

11:30 am WFLC (WELCA) Potluck—Baby shower for Eastside Baby Corner. Please bring new or

gently used items for newborn to 12 year olds.

7:00 pm Sabbatical Committee

Thursday, September 15

First Day of Preschool for the 3 Year Olds!

9:00 am Quilters

7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 16

12:00 All Seasons Lunch—Soup, salad, roll & dessert lunch for our senior members and

friends!

Saturday, September 17

1:00 pm Nicholas Griffith Memorial Service

Sunday, September 18 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour—Special Congregation Meeting for all voting members.

11:00 am Worship

5:00 pm Journey Class—Join Joe Siebert for a 3-week series, A Christian's View of Evolution

Dinner will be served.

7:00 pm Chime Choir