# September 22, 2019 Fifteenth 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 narrhex 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 Kristian Berg			
Music Director	Lucy Kay Osborne	Ushers	Rob McCaw & Randall Wampler
Ensemble Director	Richard Edmonds	Lector	Joe Siebert
Guitar	Connie Wolter	Greeter	Emily Curcio
Percussion	Nora Strothman	Sound Tech	Anthony Curcio
Violin	Alexia Payne	Communion Assistants	Kendahl & Alain Adjorlolo
Ensemble	Rachel Jackman, Doug Peterson, Gordy Phelps, Karishma Skjonsby and Randall Wampler	Acolyte	Lyla and Isabella Curcio
		Pew Angel	Clint Bastin

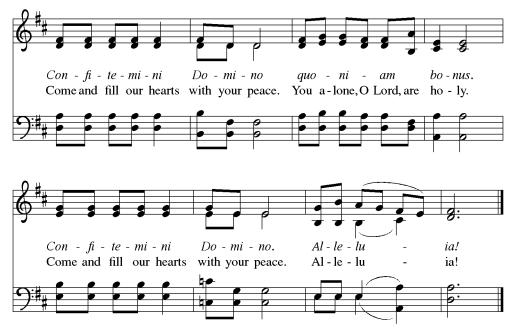
#### **GATHERING**

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

PRELUDE: I Want To Walk As A Child Of the Light (A.K. Organ)

WELCOME

MEDITATION SONG: Come and Fill Our Hearts (ELW 528)



## **OPENING DIALOGUE: Psalm 113**

Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD.

Let the name of the LORD be blessed, from this time forth forevermore. From the rising of the sun to its going down let the name of the LORD be praised.

The LORD is high above all nations; God's glory above the heavens.

Who is like the LORD our God, who sits enthroned on high,

but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?

The LORD takes up the weak out of the dust and lifts up the poor from the ashes,

enthroning them with the rulers, with the rulers of the people.

The LORD makes the woman of a childless house to be a joyful mother of children. Hallelujah!

## GATHERING SONG: Blessing, Honor, and Glory (ELW 433)



#### **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.

Holy God, your servant Jacob wrestled with your angel and prevailed. In honor of his persistence you gave him a new name. Teach us to persist in the face of struggle and call us by name. Amen.

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



ANTHEM: I Want Jesus to Walk with Me (L. Larson)

Soloist: Richard Edmonds, Tenor; Piano: Lucy Kay Osborne

### WORD

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

## WELCOMING THE WORD: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? (W&P 7)





## THE WORD: GENESIS 32:9-30

<sup>9</sup>And Jacob said, "O God of my father Abraham and God of my father Isaac, O LORD who said to me, 'Return to your country and to your kindred, and I will do you good,' <sup>10</sup>I am not worthy of the least of all the steadfast love and all the faithfulness that you have shown to your servant, for with only my staff I crossed this Jordan; and now I have become two companies. <sup>11</sup>Deliver me, please, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau, for I am afraid of him; he may come and kill us all, the mothers with the children. <sup>12</sup>Yet you have said, 'I will surely do you good, and make your offspring as the sand of the sea, which cannot be counted because of their number."

<sup>13</sup>So he spent that night there, and from what he had with him he took a present for his brother Esau, <sup>14</sup>two hundred female goats and twenty male goats, two hundred ewes and twenty rams, <sup>15</sup>thirty milch camels and their colts, forty cows and ten bulls, twenty female donkeys and ten male donkeys. <sup>16</sup>These he delivered into the hand of his servants, every flock by itself, and said to his servants, "Pass on ahead of me, and put a space between flock and flock." <sup>17</sup>He instructed the foremost, "When Esau my brother meets you, and

asks you, 'To whom do you belong? Where are you going? And whose are these ahead of you?' <sup>18</sup>then you shall say, 'They belong to your servant Jacob; they are a present sent to my lord Esau; and moreover he is behind us." <sup>19</sup>He likewise instructed the second and the third and all who followed the flocks, "You shall say the same thing to Esau when you meet him, <sup>20</sup>and you shall say, 'Moreover your servant Jacob is behind us." For he thought, "I may appease him with the present that goes ahead of me, and afterwards I shall see his face; perhaps he will accept me." <sup>21</sup>So the present passed on ahead of him; and he himself spent that night in the camp.

<sup>22</sup>The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. <sup>23</sup>He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. <sup>24</sup>Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. <sup>25</sup>When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. <sup>26</sup>Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." <sup>27</sup>So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." <sup>28</sup>Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." <sup>29</sup>Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. <sup>30</sup>So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved."

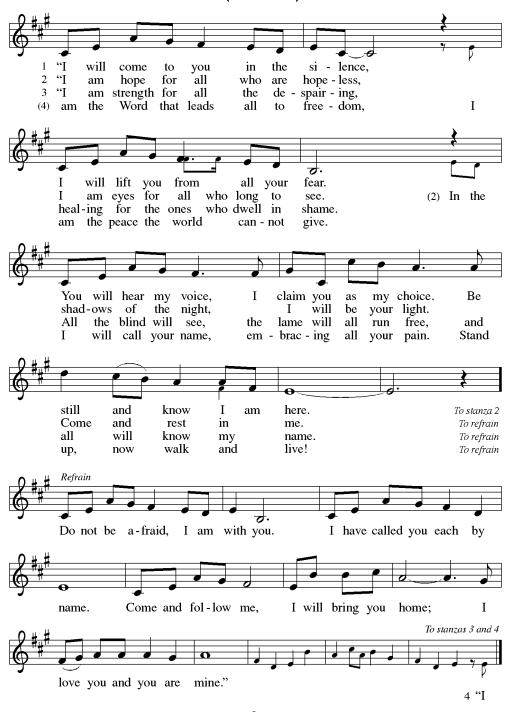
Word of God, word of life.

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

**SERMON** 

Do you have hearing aids? We now have telecoil loops fo our sound system's wireless receivers. To use the loops, set your hearing aids to the telecoil mode, put the loop around your neck, and you're set!

## HYMN OF THE DAY: You Are Mine (ELW 581)



## **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

Sustained and nurtured by our generous God, we gather as one to pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

Faithful God, you call your church to serve you. Free your people from the deceptions of false masters so that we discover the true richness of serving in your name. Lord, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

Creating God, you have made all kinds of creatures. Protect animals in the midst of seasonal migration, whether by water, through the air, or over land. Lord, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

Wise God, you rule the nations. When the powerful trample on the needy and take advantage of the poor, turn them from their selfish ways. Show us your ways of truth that lead to justice. Lord, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

Healing God, you raise up those who have been brought low, and you remember the forgotten. We lift up to you all who are in need, especially Lillian. Grant them joy and comfort in your presence. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Mothering God, you give us life. Give strength to families experiencing infertility or challenging pregnancies, to foster parents, parents of adopted children, single parents, and families of all varieties. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For whom do the people pray?

Eternal God, you hold us close even in death. We lift to you our thanks for those who have recently died and are now at rest with you. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Assured by your promise to hear us, we lay our prayers before your throne of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

If we have died with Christ, we will also live with Christ. Let us confess our sin to the one who is faithful.

Silence for self-reflection

God our helper,

we confess the many ways we have failed to live as your disciples. We have not finished what we began. We have feasted with friends but ignored strangers. We have been captivated by our possessions. Lift our burdens, gracious God. Refresh our hearts and forgive our sin. Raise us to the new life you have chosen for us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

There is rejoicing in heaven when sinners repent. Put your trust in these promises: God will never leave you or forsake you. You who were lost have been found. For the sake of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Rejoice with the angels at this good news.

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: Softly & Tenderly Jesus Is Calling (C. Berry)

# PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God our provider, we bring nothing into this world, and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us 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.

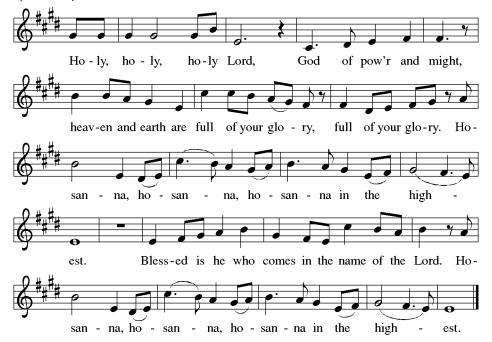
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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.

We ask you to bless these communion kits and those who will carry them to our home bound family. May they 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

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

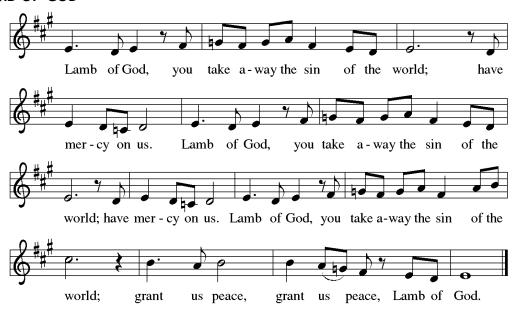
Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come, take your place at the feast.

**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



## COMMUNION HYMNS: Come to the Table (ELW 481)

Precious Lord, Take My Hand (ELW 773)

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### **SENDING**

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

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **BLESSING**

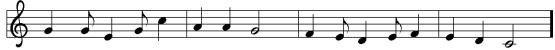
Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us. Almighty God bless you with grace, mercy, and peace, now and forever.

#### Amen.

## SENDING SONG: Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ (ELW 674)



- 1 Let us tal-ents and tongues em-ploy, reach-ing out with a shout of joy:
- 2 Christ is a ble to make us one, at the ta ble he sets the tone,
- 3 Je sus calls us in, sends us out bear-ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro-ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo-ken and seen and heard. teach-ing peo-ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex-press. gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im-man-u-el) ev-'ry-where!



Je - sus lives a-gain, earth can breathe a-gain, pass the Word a-round: loaves a - bound!

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live in love as Christ loved us.

Thanks be to God.

## **POSTLUDE**

# **Sermon Notes**

What one word stuck out for me?
What phrase or sentence was especially memorable?
What did I hear that I am eager to share with another person?
I think the title of the sermon is:

# September 29, 2019 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Exodus 1:8- 3:1-15 Moses and God's Name Weekly Financial Report

September 15, 2019 Attendance: 181

General Offerings: \$10,708 Mortgage Fund: \$813.59

**Amount needed per Sunday:** 

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

#### INFORMATION For the Week!

#### Sunday, September 22 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 Am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour 10:00 am Ensemble Rehearsal

11:00 am Worship

12:15 pm Youth Pizza & Swim Party

4:00 pm Parish Storytelling Potluck—at Northlake Lutheran Church. FLC member,

Kris Dersch will be this week's story teller.

### Monday, September 23

## Tuesday, September 24

9:30 am Lectionary 11:00 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm Brass Ensemble Rehearsal

#### Wednesday, September 25

11:00 am Worship Team Meeting

#### Thursday, September 26

9:00 am Quilters

### Friday, September 27

Church Office Closed

#### Saturday, September 28

1:00 pm Jean Pickens' Memorial Service

### Sunday, September 29 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 Am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour 10:00 am Ensemble Rehearsal

**11:00 am** Worship 5:00 pm Journey Class

#### IN OUR PRAYERS

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

Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services, Lutheran Counseling Network, Lutheran World Relief, Northwest Washington Synod

#### Those living with cancer:

Juanita (Bonnie & Bob Ahlstedt's sister-in-law), Richard (Sherrill Baker's uncle), Cynthia (Ginny & Jim Conricode's sister-in-law), Patricia (Stephanie Almeida's aunt), Russel (Karey Coble's cousin), Edith Holbrook (member), Dewey (Nora Strothman's brother-in-law), Richard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Pam (Marlis Pehling's niece), Don (Doug Peterson's brother), Rita (Ruth Neitzel's sister), Janette (Beth Phelps' cousin), Teresa (Michelle Tuck's friend), Roger (Michelle Tuck's brother-in-law), Ted (Sue Toyoda's friend), Kip (Paul Desilet's uncle), Joanne (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law) & Clara (Pat Daane's cousin).

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

Keely Adjorlolo (member), Marilyn Anderson (member), Paul Anderson (member), Cornelia (lan Anderson's aunt), Hugh (lan Anderson's father), Tom (lan Anderson's cousin), Jack Becker (member), Lillian (Bob Berg's mother), Lou (Cathy Edwards' friend), Nancy Davis (member), Yuan (Joy Fu's sister-in-law), Norma (Renee Markert's sister), Kevin Kastning (member), Roy King (member), Barb (Stacy Souriall's friend), Ryan (Cathy Edwards' grandson), Dorothy (Johannes Skjonsby's mother), Lorretta Rapp (member), Dennis Shogren (Dave Shogren's brother), Helen (Renee Baker's mother), Lola (Bob Berg's aunt), Sue Toyoda (member), Sadako (Sue Toyoda's mother-in-law), Darlene (Andrea Faubion's mother),

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

Phyllis Enger (member), Lillian & Lawrence (Leon Romaniuk's parents), Harriet (Eleanor Walters' mother), Jacquie Stoll (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), Ben Souriall (Stacy & Mike Souriall's son)

MARINES: James Bacon (Jeanne Koruga's friend) and Olay 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 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.

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