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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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PRELUDE

GATHERING

WELCOME

INTRODUCTION

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation, who comforts us in all our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

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.**

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of the earth, who by your breath gave us life; Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, who suffered death for all humanity, who rose from the grave to open the way to eternal life; Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure confidence and everlasting hope,

We glorify you. We praise you. We worship you. To you, O blessed Trinity, be glory and honor, forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our sister Pat. We thank you for giving her to us to know and to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see that death has been swallowed up in the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that we may live in confidence and hope until, by your call, we are gathered to our heavenly home in the company of all your saints; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

TIME OF REMEMBERANCE: We take time to tell the stories that illustrate the wonder that was Pat: sister, mother, grandmother, friend.

ANTHEM

WORD

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

FIRST READING: Psalm 107:28-30

Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he brought them out from their distress; he made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed. Then they were glad because they had quiet, and he brought them to their desired haven.

Word of God

Word of life.

SECOND READING: Proverbs 4:21-23

Do not let [God's words] escape from your sight; keep them within your heart. For they are life to those who find them, and healing to all their flesh. Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life.

Word of God

Word of life.

GOSPEL READING: John 14:1-6

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we

know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Word of God Word of life.

SERMON

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

Let us pray.

Almighty God, in holy baptism you have knit your chosen people together into one communion of saints in the body of Christ. Give to your whole church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace. God of mercy, hear our prayer.

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to share the new life in Christ. God of mercy, hear our prayer.

Give courage and faith to all who mourn, and a sure and certain hope in your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may have strength for the days ahead. God of mercy,

hear our prayer.

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that, where this world groans in grief and pain, your Holy Spirit may lead us to bear witness to your light and life. God of mercy,

hear our prayer.

Help us, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting. God of mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of all grace, we give you thanks because by his death our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection he opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, will be able to separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, 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.

COMMENDATION

Let us commend Pat to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

Silence for reflection.

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Pat. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light.

Amen.

BLESSING

May the silence of the hills, the joy of the winds, the peace of the fields, the music of the birds, the fire of the sun, the strength of the trees, and the faith of a little child, in all of which is God, go with you and be with you today and always.

Amen

ANTHEM: What A Wonderful World (B. Thiele/G.D. Weiss)

Harpist: Lisa Mothersbough (Pat's Niece)

SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Assisting with Today's Service:

Presiding Pastor: Rev. Tor K. Berg

Harp: Lisa Mothersbaugh

Altar Guild: Sandy Hendricks

Usher: Dan Bormann

Sound Technician: Ann Bormann

Reception Coordinator: Susan Berg

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Life of Patricia Harrell

Patricia Faye Harrell was born in Ballard, Washington on January 20, 1952 to mother, Virginia Dougherty and father, Donald Richards. Better known as Pat, she was known for her loving, uplifting and more than giving personality. She was a super mom to her own two daughters, as well as a neighborhood mom to many more. Pat was without a doubt, the most tremendous and devoted grandmother.

Pat's favorite things were to spend any time she could with loved ones, playing bingo and enjoying endless shopping.

Pat was called home by heaven on July 17, 2018. She was preceded in death by her mother, Virginia, and father, Donald.

She leaves a legacy behind in her two daughters, Ahlisha and Canice; three sisters, Susan, Kathy and Sheryl; three granddaughters, Ahlicia, Tiana, Ameda, and grandson, Tamyo; and a host of nieces, nephews and unrelated children.





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