April 2, 2017 Fifth Sunday in Lent 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

- + 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

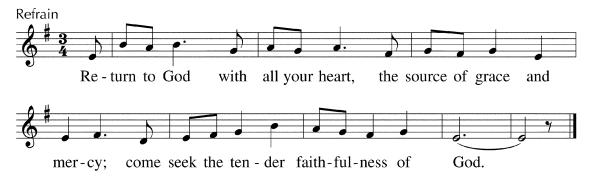
GATHERING

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

PRELUDE How Beautiful (Twila Paris)

WELCOME

MEDITATION SONG: Return to God



Verses

- 2. I will take your heart of stone and place a heart within you, a heart of compassion and love.
- 3. If you break the chains of oppression, if you set the pris'ner free; if you share your bread with the hungry, give protection to the lost; give a shelter to the homeless, clothe the naked in your midst,

then your light shall break forth like the dawn.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

During the season of Lent we are called to return to the Lord with all our heart. Let us confess our sin and seek reconciliation with God and neighbor.

Merciful God,

you sent Jesus Christ to save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We fail in love, neglect justice, and ignore your truth. Have mercy on us and wash away our sin. Create in us clean hearts for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Behold, now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation. Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG: What Wondrous Love Is This (ELW 666)

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What 2 When sink - ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, when I was 3 То God and the Lamb I will sing. I will sing: to to 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing I'll sing on; on, and won - drous love this. O my soul! What won-drous love this is is sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when was sink - ing down Ι was Ι the Lamb I will sing; God and to God and to the Lamb, to when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free, Lord of bliss bear the dread-ful curse for my that caused the to a - side his crown for my be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid mil - lions join the theme, I who is the great I Aм, while will sing God's love for through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing I'll and me, for my soul, bear the dread-ful curse for my soul? soul. to soul. for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul. mil - lions join the theme, sing, Ι will sing, while I will sing. I'll sing on; through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on, and on.

GREETING

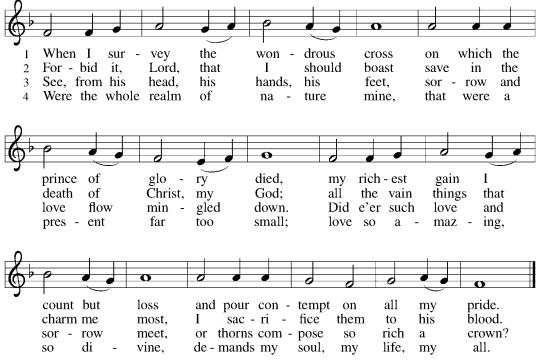
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Lord of the lost, we are quick to judge and slow to accept those whom we consider lower than ourselves. But you show us the way of acceptance, forgiveness, and peace. We honor your name for teaching us to love, for the sake of the one who is the essence of love itself, Jesus Christ our loving Lord. Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



ANTHEM: Beneath The Cross Of Jesus

Quartet: June Condra, Michelle Richards, Richard Edmonds, Doug Peterson; Lucy Kay Osborne, piano

WORD

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

WELCOMING THE WORD



THE WORD: Luke 18:31 - 19:10

Then he took the twelve aside and said to them, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. For he will be handed over to the Gentiles; and he will be mocked and insulted and spat upon. After they have flogged him, they will kill him, and on the third day he will rise again." But they understood nothing about all these things; in fact, what he said was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said.

As he approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. When he heard a crowd going by, he asked what was happening. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." Then he shouted, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Those who were in front sternly ordered him to be quiet; but he shouted even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and ordered the man to be brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has saved you." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, praised God.

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

Word of God, Word of life.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus (ELW 802)



A CONFESSION 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

Lifting our voices and turning toward God, let us pray for the church, the earth, and all who are in need.

God, our sure strength, set the mind of your church on the Spirit of love and kinship. Bring healing where there is division and hope where there is worry. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You bring life where there was despair and death. Bring new hope and new growth to barren lands and water to parched earth. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

Listen to the voices of the weak and oppressed. Guard people in all lands from danger and injustice; especially the people of the Sudan. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

Martha and Mary pleaded for healing. Hear the cries of your people who call out in need and pain. Grant healing and comfort to those who are ill. We pray especially for Allison, Arlene & Bill. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

Bring life to dry bones in our community. Breathe your life-giving Spirit into the corners of our ministry that need renewal. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

For whom do the people pray?

We give thanks for the faithful departed and for the assurance that we will join with them in the heavenly banquet. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

Into your hands, merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your steadfast love; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

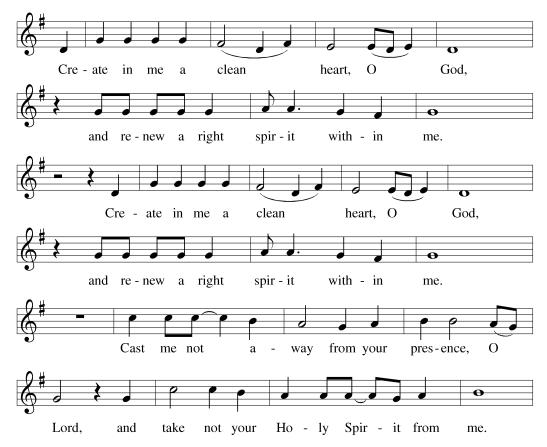
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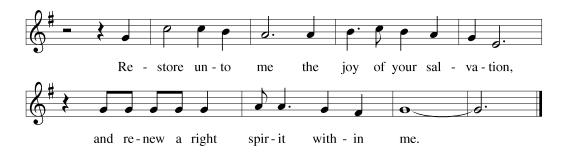
God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY: Were You There? (Jeremy Young)

OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: Create in Me a Clean Heart





OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

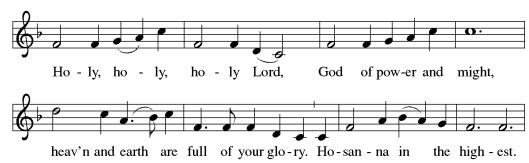
Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

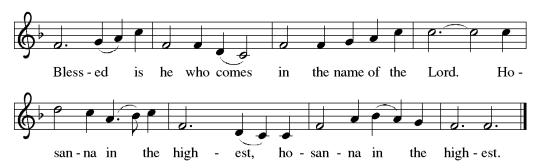
The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. 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 living Water and our merciful Guide, together with rivers and seas, wells and springs we bless and magnify you.

You led your people Israel through the desert, and provided them water from the rock.

We praise you for Christ, our Rock and our Water, who joined us in our desert, pouring out his life 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, death, and resurrection, we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

Pour out your Spirit on this holy food and on all the baptized gathered for this feast: wash away our sin, that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ.

Bless our Eucharistic Ministers who will take this meal to our sisters and brothers who cannot be with us this day. May this good work strengthen and sustain them.

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

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Return to God with all your heart. Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

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: Blessed Assurance (ELW 638) Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed (MARTYRDOM) (ELW 337)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you + peace. Amen.

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.

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



SENDING SONG: Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land (ELW 333)



DISMISSAL

Marked with the cross of Christ, go forth to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died this past week and their families: Helen Young (Member), Pat Lucas (Member), Glo McIntyre (Tami McIntyre's mother-in-law), Roger Zimmerman (Connie Wolter's brother)

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), Carol Angello (Bob & Phyllis Watters' friend), Michele Berger (Karey Coble's friend), Danna (Cathy Tanner's friend), Neal Beachinor (Paul Desilet's uncle), Owen Carter (Lisa Hamilton's friend), Lynn Crutcher (Busch family friend), Joyce Daily (David Osborne's aunt), Janice Davidson (Sandy Élying Cloud's friend), Pam Davis (Phélps fámily friend), Patricia Dwonch (Śtephanie Almeida's aunt), Allison D. (Lisa Graumlich's friend), Mason Gordon (Curcio Family friend), 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), Lee Larson (Beth Phelps' cousin), Marcella (Benson family friend), Tom McMaster (Dawn Bastin's father), Mark Nesse (Darci Desilet's stepfather), Bruce Niermeyer (Cook family friend), Marvin Richter (Renee Markert's father), Bill Schenk (Melanie Véazey's cousin), Audrey Sheffler (Sherrill Baker's friend), Heather Smith (Cami Grillo's niece), Sylvia Stevens (wife of Steve Stevens and Bob Berg's friend), **Dan Thomson** (Jane King'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) and **Michael Wilson** (Vicki Kastning's friend).

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

Jay Arndtson (member), Margie Benson (member), Vivian Carlton (member), Isabel de Jesus Congdon (Sue Toyoda's friend), Jacquie & Dick Craft (Thieme family friends), Cathy Edwards (member),), Sherri Gordon (regular visitor), Marge Gonyea (member), Jeff (Amanda Sanders' friend), Keith Hood (member), Bernard (Buck) Kelly (Bétty Kelly's husband), Marý Lou (Èvelyn Fischer's niece), Melissa (Judy Richards' friend), Bill Ò'Neall (Ruth & Mark Néitzel's friend) John Peterson (Val Cole's fathér), Shirley Peterson (Haley LaFord's (Cathy Edwards' granddaughter), Karishma Skjonsby (member), Joyce Sullivan (member), Gordon Tibbetts (Sherrill Baker's friend), Darlene Toycen (Anne & Tom Larsen's friend), Heidi Van Doren (member), Jeff Ward (Melanie Veazey's brother-in-law), and Phyllis Watters (member).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Carol Nelson (member), Claire (Sue Ebert's mother), Phyllis Enger (member), Ardyce Johnson (member), Carol Nelson (member), Erik Olson (member), Arlene O'Neall (Ruth & Mark Neitzel's friend), Lillian & Lawrence Romaniuk (Leon Romaniuk's parents), Fran Tazuma (member)

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

Israel/Palestine, Svria, Afghanistan, Somalia and Irag.

Those Serving Our Country: AIR FORCE: Tyler Ripley (Jeanne Koruga's nephew) and Erin Siebert (Linda & Joe Siebert's daughter) ARMY: 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) PEACE CORPS: Maoulay Adjorlolo (member)

Prayer shawls are available upon request.

April 9, 2017 Palm Sunday

Luke 19:29-44 Triumphal Entry

Weekly Financial Report

March 19, 2017 Attendance: 266

General Offerings: \$9,841 Mortgage Fund: \$1,338

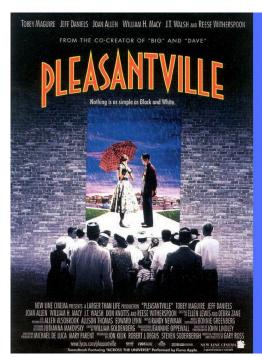
March 26, 2017 Attendance: 197

General Offerings: \$6,005 Mortgage Fund: \$430

Amount needed per Sunday:

General Offerings: \$9,038

Mortgage Fund: \$1,098



Wednesdays in Lent

Soup Supper 6 pm Lenten Vespers 7 pm

Our Lenten Vespers focus will be a return to the Garden of Eden as told through the movie Pleasantville.

Assisting With Today's Service:

Piano	June Condra	Ushers	Alain Adjorlolo & Jose Alcaraz
Ensemble Leader	Richard Edmonds	Communion Assistants	Kathy Konieczka & Tamara McIntyre
Lector	Linda Siebert	Sound Tech	Jeffrey Liang
Acolyte	Karishma Skjonsby	Greeter	Kendahl Adjorlolo
Flute	Cheryl Miller	Percussion	Trent DeVerter & Joe Siebert

Ensemble: Scott Eiler, Rachel Jackman, Sigrun Payne, Doug Peterson, Gordy Phelps, Donella Robbins, Robyn Rydzak and Johannes Skjonsby .

INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, April 2 Fifth Sunday in Lent

8:30 am	Worship
9:45 am	Education Hour
11:00 am	Worship
12:30 pm	Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship
Monday, April 3	

Pastor Berg's Sabbath

Tuesday, April 4

9:30 am	Lectionary—Meet in the library to study next Sunday's Bible text. All are welcome!	
10:00 am	Living Truth Fellowship Bible Study	
11:00 am	Staff Meeting	
6:00 pm	Building & Property Committee	
7:00 pm	IT/Communications Committee	
	Social Ministries Committee	

Wednesday, April 5

10:00 am	Deborah Circle
6:00 pm	Lenten Soup Supper
7:00 pm	Lenten Vespers

Thursday, April 6

9:00 am	Quilters
4:30 pm	Art In Worship Guild
5:30 pm	Worship Team Meeting
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir

Friday, April 7

<u>Saturday, April 8</u>	
9:00 am	Work Party—All are welcome to join in sprucing up the church before Holy Week! Bring your
	work gloves!
1:30 pm	Pat Lucas Memorial Service

Sunday, April 9 Palm Sunday

8:30 am	Worship
9:45 am	Education Hour
11:00 am	Worship
12:30 pm	Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship

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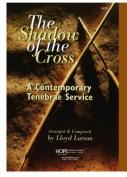
Holy Wednesday

Service of

Healing

April 12, 2017 7:00 pm

Laying on of hands, anointing with oil and candle-lighting Maundy Thursday April 13 Noon and 7:00 pm



GOOD FRIDAY April 14, 2017 7:00 pm

Come experience a modern cantata sung by the Sanctuary Choir, accompanied by piano, violin and with narration.



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.

SERMON NOTES

Interesting things I heard:

My favorite quote:

Main message:



