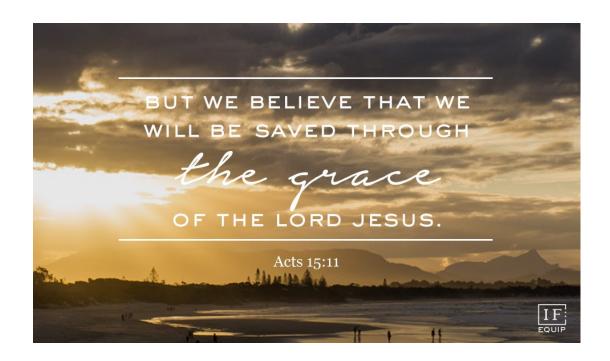
# May 14, 2017 Fifth Sunday of Easter 11:00 AM





# 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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# SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2017 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 11:00 AM

#### 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.
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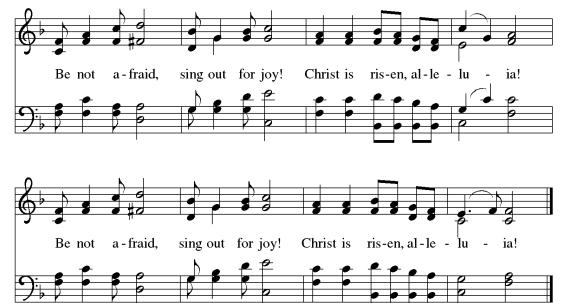
#### **GATHERING**

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

PRELUDE: Rejoice, The Lord Is King (John Darwall)

WELCOME

MEDITATION SONG: Be Not Afraid (ELW 388)



#### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Just as God's work of creation never ends, so the gifts received in baptism are renewed every day. Let us give thanks together for the life given in baptism. We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life: for water to bathe in, water to drink, for waters to play in and waters that inspire wonder, for water that gives life to our planet.

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life.

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place: for water from our tap, for rain and snow; for the lakes, rivers, streams, and watersheds of this great state; We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place.

We give you thanks for your salvation through water: for delivering Noah and his family through the floodwaters, for leading your people Israel through the sea into freedom, for preserving your prophet Elijah through the time of drought, for guiding your people across the Jordan into a new land, for quenching the Samaritan woman's thirst with living water. We give you thanks for your salvation through water.

We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized, and for all who gather here; for godparents and baptismal sponsors, for children and grandchildren, for our brothers and sisters in Christ whom we have never seen but to whom we are bound. We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized.

We give you thanks for life in Christ through your Holy Spirit: for our entry into Jesus' death through these waters, for our new birth into a life of freedom and service, for our calling to be your people, sent out for the life of the world. We give you thanks, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

## GATHERING SONG All Are Welcome (ELW 641)



#### GREETING

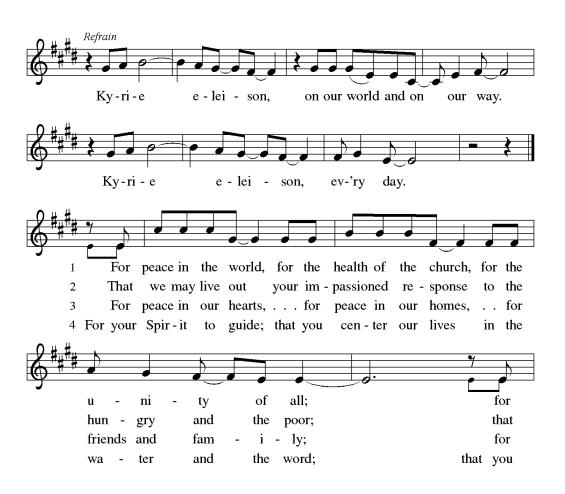
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

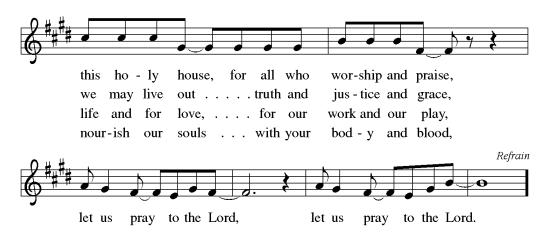
#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Lord of all, In Jesus you have made us all sisters and brothers in Christ. There is no distinction between Gentile and Jew. There is no separation that can remove any from fellowship in Christ's community. Blind us to our differences so that in unity we may proclaim your truth to all, for the sake of Jesus Christ in whom there is harmony and peace. Amen.

# **KYRIE**

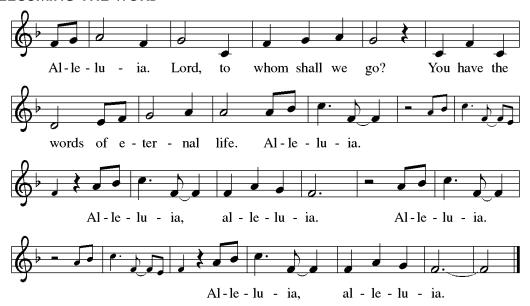




# ANTHEM We Are All One In Christ Anonymous; tr. G. Cartford WORD

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

# WELCOMING THE WORD



# THE WORD: Acts 15:1-18

<sup>1</sup>Then certain individuals came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved." <sup>2</sup>And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and

debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to discuss this question with the apostles and the elders. So they were sent on their way by the church, and as they passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, they reported the conversion of the Gentiles, and brought great joy to all the believers. 4When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they reported all that God had done with them. <sup>5</sup>But some believers who belonged to the sect of the Pharisees stood up and said, "It is necessary for them to be circumcised and ordered to keep the law of Moses." <sup>6</sup>The apostles and the elders met together to consider this matter. <sup>7</sup>After there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, "My brothers, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that I should be the one through whom the Gentiles would hear the message of the good news and become believers. 8And God, who knows the human heart, testified to them by giving them the Holy Spirit, just as he did to us; and in cleansing their hearts by faith he has made no distinction between them and us. <sup>10</sup>Now therefore why are you putting God to the test by placing on the neck of the disciples a voke that neither our ancestors nor we have been able to bear? <sup>11</sup>On the contrary, we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will."

<sup>12</sup>The whole assembly kept silence, and listened to Barnabas and Paul as they told of all the signs and wonders that God had done through them among the Gentiles. <sup>13</sup>After they finished speaking, James replied, "My brothers, listen to me. <sup>14</sup>Simeon has related how God first looked favorably on the Gentiles, to take from among them a people for his name. <sup>15</sup>This agrees with the words of the prophets, as it is written,

<sup>16</sup>'After this I will return, and I will rebuild the dwelling of David, which has fallen; from its ruins I will rebuild it, and I will set it up, <sup>17</sup>so that all other peoples may seek the Lord —

even all the Gentiles over whom my name has been called. Thus says the Lord, who has been making these things <sup>18</sup>known from long ago.'

Word of God, word of life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON:

Lloyd Condra

**SERMON** 

Sister Liz Colver

# HYMN OF THE DAY In Christ There Is No East or West (ELW 650)



- 1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
- 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-'ry-where their high com-mu nion find;
- 3 Join hands, dis ci ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.
- 4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;



of love through-out the whole wide earth. but one com - mu - ni - ty the gold - en cord close his ser - vice bind - ing hu - man-kind. is All chil-dren of the liv - ing God are sure - ly kin all Christ-ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

#### NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing in the risen life of Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

We pray for the church. Show us your ways. Teach us your truth. Enliven us in mission. Keep us from discord. Lead us to unity for the sake of the gospel. Lord, in your mercy,

# hear our prayer.

For the earth. Turn us away from impulses to pollute this world. Protect fragile habitats. Nurture our planet to be a life-sustaining home for generations yet to be born. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the nations. Fill all leaders with a spirit of compassion for the poor and oppressed. Give courage to those who work for justice and equality. Bring an end to conflict and violence. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For those in need. Draw near to those who struggle with depression. Comfort those for whom this day evokes heartache or sorrow. Console those who grieve, and heal those who are ill, especially Eleanor and Marilyn. Lord, in your mercy,

# hear our prayer.

For this assembly. Bless mothers and all who offer motherly care. Strengthen child care workers, nursery attendants, and those who teach our youth. Uphold our elders and those who care for aging parents. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For whom do the people pray?

With thanksgiving, we remember those who have died in faith and those who have borne witness to your love. Bring us with them to dwell with you forever. Lord, in your mercy,

# hear our prayer.

Joining our voices with your faithful ones in every time and place, we offer our prayers in the name of the Risen One, Jesus Christ our Lord.

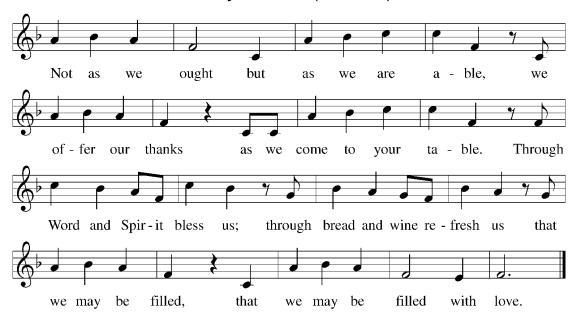
Amen.

#### **PEACE**

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

# MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

# OFFERTORY: Praise To The Lord, The Almighty (Lobe Den Herrin) OFFERING SONG That We May Be Filled (W&P 134)



# OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. Amen.

# GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE

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.

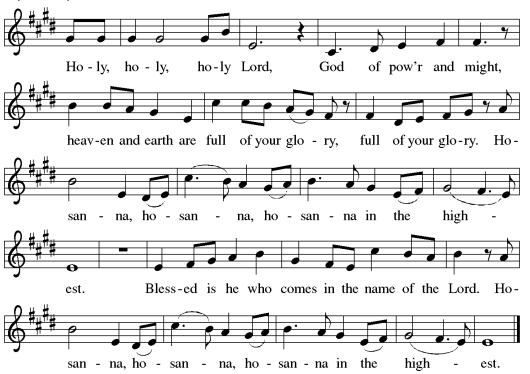
#### **PREFACE**

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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, living, and loving God, we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth.

We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood, for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery, and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

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-giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup: carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Bless our Eucharistic Ministry team who will carry this bread and wine to our brothers and sisters who cannot be with us this day. May it fill their hunger and quench their thirst for you. Through him 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

The table of life is spread before you.

Feast on the goodness and mercy of God.

#### COMMUNION

**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.

#### **COMMUNION HYMNS:**

One Bread, One Body (ELW 496)
Our Father, by Whose Name (ELW 640)

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

#### **SENDING**

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

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **BLESSING**

May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy.

Almighty God, Father, 

Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

# SENDING SONG For the Beauty of the Earth (ELW 879)



- 1 For the beau-ty of the earth, for the beau-ty of the skies,
- 2 For the won-der of each hour of the day and of the night,
- 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de light,
- 4 For the joy of hu-man love, broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,
- 5 For each per-fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for love which from our birth the o - ver and a - round us lies: hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars light: for the mvs - tic har - mo - ny link-ing sense to sound and sight: friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild: to our world so for thy - self, best gift di - vine, free - lv giv'n:



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

#### DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

#### Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE We Are All One in Christ

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Assisting With Today's Service:			
Presiding Minister	Sister Liz Colver	Ensemble Director	Richard Edmonds
Pianist	June Condra	Ushers	Lloyd Condra & Randall Wampler
Violin	Alexia Payne	Sound Tech	Jeffrey Liang
Percussion	Trent DeVerter	Lector	Jeffrey Kosman
Communion Assistants	Marilyn Kay & Mona Shogren	Greeter	Pat Daane
Acolyte	Anna Holmes	Ensemble	Scott Eiler, Rachel Jackman, Sigrun Payne, Doug Peterson, Donnella Robbins, Robyn Rydzak & Johannes Skjonsby

# 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 the code to the right.



# **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.

#### INFORMATION For the Week!

#### Sunday, May 14 Fifth Sunday of Easter

### Welcome Sister Liz Colver! Happy Mother's Day!

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Adult Education—A study of the book, Christianity After Religion with Sister Liz Colver

11:00 am Worship

12:30 pm Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship

Monday, May 15

6:30 pm Hannah Circle

Tuesday, May 16

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

6:00 pm Personnel Committee 7:00 pm Church Council

Wednesday, May 17

10:00 am Peace by Piece Sewing

Thursday, May 18

9:00 am Quilters

7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir

Friday, May 19

5:45 am Holden Youth Weekend Group Departs!

12:00 pm All Seasons Lunch—all senior members of the community are welcome. This will be the last

lunch until September!

### Sunday, May 21 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Welcome Pastor Ellingson 8:30 am Worshi

8:30 am Worship
9:45 am Adult Education—A study of the book, Christianity After Religion with Sister Liz Colver

Art in Worship Guild

Last Sunday School and Adult Education until September!

11:00 am Worship

12:30 pm Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship

5:00 pm Journey Class—Paddle Pilgrim: Rev. Dave Ellingson will share his adventures paddling the

Hudson River! Dinner will be provided.

#### IN OUR PRAYERS

**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), Marilyn Cristofori (Kelli Jo Winkler'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), Patricia Dwonch (Stephanie Almeida's aunt), 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), 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), 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:

Margie Benson (member), Jacquie & Dick Craft (Thieme family friends), Theda Dawley (Cris Sherman's mother-in-law), Sherri Gordon (regular visitor), Marge Gonyea (member), Keith Hood (member), Lois Johnson (Karen Thomas' mother), Bernard (Buck) Kelly (Betty Kelly's husband), Mary Lou (Evelyn Fischer's niece), Neil McGee (member), Melissa (Judy Richards' friend), Bill O'Neall (Ruth & Mark Neitzel's friend), Shirley Peterson (Haley LaFord's grandmother), Ashley Phelps (Beth & Gordy Phelps' daughter), Mary Riley (Donella Robbins' friend), Sarah (Cathy Edwards' granddaughter), Gordon Tibbetts (Sherrill Baker's friend), Heidi Van Doren (member), Jeff Ward (Melanie Veazey's brother-in-law), Phyllis Watters (member) & Connie Wolter (member).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Perdy Carlson (member), Vivian Carlton (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), Eleanor Simonsen (Lisa Graumlich's mother-in-law), Joyce Sullivan (member) & Fran Tazuma (member).

Special Pravers:

Bob Johnson (Karen Thomas' father)

Please remember to pray for peace in these war torn areas: Israel/Palestine, Syria, Afghanistan, 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)

PEACE CORPS: Maoulay Adjorlolo (member)

Prayer shawls are available upon request.

May 21, 2017 Sixth Sunday after Easter
Galatians 1:13-17, 2:11-21 Living by Faith

May 7, 2017 Attendance: 183

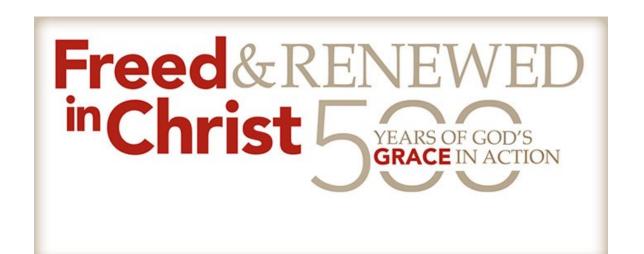
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Amount needed per Sunday:

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# **SERMON NOTES**

Interesting things I heard:
My favorite quote:
<b>,</b> 10101110 qui 0101
Main message:





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