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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

- + 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

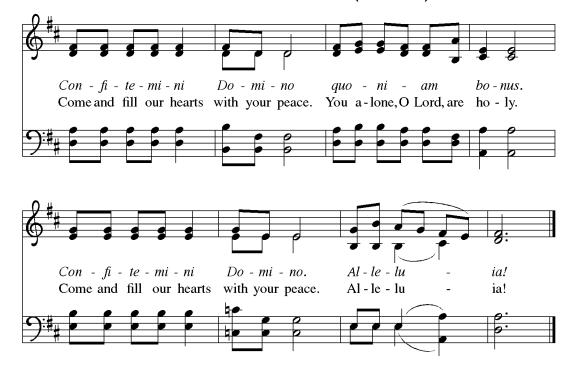
The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE:

WELCOME

Assisting With Today's Service:			
Presiding Minister	Rev. Tor K. Berg	Ushers	Lloyd Condra & Randall Wampler
Pianist	June Condra	Sound Tech	Alain Adjololo
Ensemble Director	Richard Edmonds	Lector	Joe Siebert
Percussion	Trent DeVerter	Greeter	Marilyn Iverson
Flute	Cheryl Miller	Communion Assistants	Emily Curcio & Tamara McIntyre
Ensemble	Bob Berg, Stephanie Conroy, Scott Eiler, Doug Peterson, Gordy Phelps and Donella Robbins	Acolyte	Alex Freriks

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



OPENING DIALOGUE: Psalm 139:7-10

Where can I go then from your Spirit?

Where can I flee from your presence?"

If I climb up to heaven, you are there;

if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.

If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand will lead me and your right hand hold me fast."

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.



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.

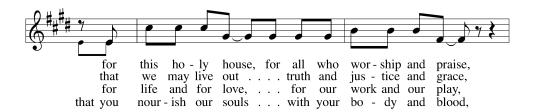
PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Grand designer of all things, the light and darkness, the dome in the midst of waters, the sky and dry land, the vegetation, the seasons, the swarms of living creatures, birds and great sea monsters, creeping things and wild animals, and us; all these were brought into being with a word on your lips. And it was good. Amen.

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







ANTHEM: Song Over the Waters (M. Haugen)

WORD

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

WELCOMING THE WORD: Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go? (Cain)





words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le - lu - ia.





THE WORD: Genesis 1:1 2:4b

A reading from Genesis. ¹In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶God made the two great lights — the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night — and the stars. ¹⁷God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." ²¹So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle

and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. ²⁵God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

²⁷So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

²⁸God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth."

²⁹God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them

for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

¹Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. ²And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

⁴These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Word of God

Word of life

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Roger Steinke, Director of REACH ministries

SERMON

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HYMN OF THE DAY: God the Sculptor of the Mountains (ELW 736)



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.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation. We pray for the church universal. Reconcile our differences. Forgive our divisions. Unite us at your table. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

For your creation. Increase our stewardship of all that you have given to us. Let the earth flourish for those who come after us. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

For peace in the world. End conflicts among nations (*especially*). Help leaders and citizens truly to listen to one another and to act for the good of all. Teach us by your example. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For all those in need. Bind up our hurts. Heal divisions in our families, friendships, and neighborhoods. Comfort those who need your special care, especially Pam. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For this congregation. Make us signs of your love and forgiveness in this community and in the world. Help us to grow in our love for one another. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

In thanksgiving for all the faithful witnesses who put on the Lord Jesus Christ. Keep us faithful until the day we rejoice in your majesty with them. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting the power of Christ and the gifts of the Spirit.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

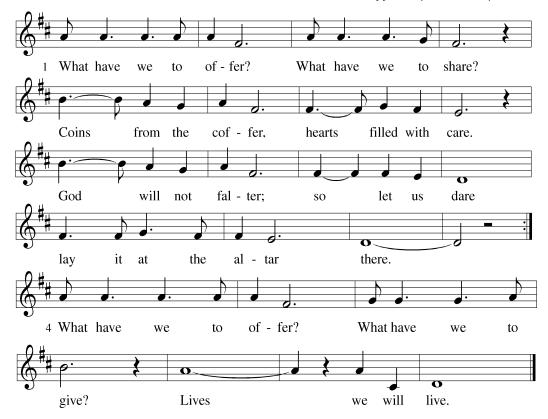
And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: What Have We to Offer? (DATH 20)



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

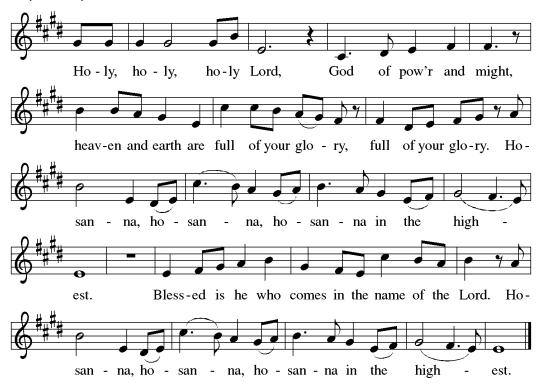
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath. We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

We thank you, O God.

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 his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We send our Eucharistic ministers with this gift of life to those who cannot join us this morning. May this bread and this wine nourish their faith.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world. Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

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

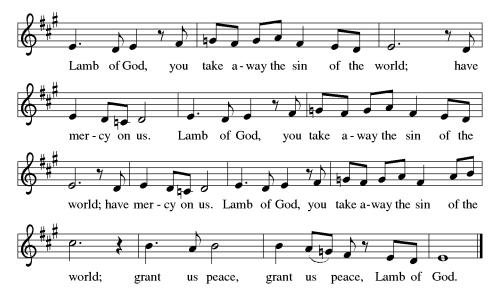
Speak to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, and make us one with you.

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)

All Things Bright and Beautiful (WOV 767)



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

Amen.

God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being; Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead; Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

SENDING SONG: Sing Out, Earth and Skies



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Sound the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, September 10 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Rally Day! Welcome Back Pastor Berg!

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour

Living Truth Bible Study

11:00 am Worship

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship

12:30 pm Living Truth Lunch

1:00 pm Sabbatical Party! - All are welcome to celebrate the end of the Sabbatical and Pastor Berg's

return! Please bring a salad, side or dessert to share. Brats, chicken, hotdogs, beer, wine,

lemonade and water will be provided.

Monday, September 11

Pastor Berg's Sabbath

Tuesday, September 12

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

10:00 am Living Truth Fellowship

11:00 am Staff Meeting

5:30 pm Christian Education Committee

7:00 pm Finance Committee

Youth Committee

8:00 pm Martin Luther, The Idea that Changed the World on PBS Channel 9

Wednesday, September 13

12:00 pm WELCA Potluck—Please join us for a baby shower for Eastside Baby Corner!

4:30 pm Arts in Worship Guild 6:30 pm Preschool Parent Night

Thursday, September 14

9:00 am Quilters

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 15

12:00 All Seasons Lunch

Saturday, September 16

9:00 am Men's Breakfast—All men are welcome to join us for breakfast and bible study!

4:00—7:00 pm Cascadia Parish German Fair and Hymn Sing! *All are welcome to join in this reformation*

celebration at Salt House Church in Kirkland! (Formerly Trinity Lutheran Church)

4:00—7:00 pm Living Truth Gathering

Sunday, September 17 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour—Ministry Fair for adults! - Find your passion at First Lutheran Church!

11:00 am Worship

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship

12:30 Living Truth Lunch

5:00 pm Journey Class—Tonight, Compass Housing Alliance will present information about their

mission. Dinner will be served.

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), Michele Berger (Karey Coble's friend), Terry Chausee (Cathy Edwards' son-in-law), Neal Beachinor (Paul Desilet's uncle), Larry & Marcie Clure (Dan & Sandy Hendricks' friend), Kim Coleman (Kris Linderoth's friend), Marilyn Cristofori (Kelli Jo Winkler's friend), Joyce Daily (David Osborne's aunt), Janice Davidson (Sandy Flying Cloud's friend), Patricia Dwonch (Stephanie Álmeida's aunt), Mason aunt), Janice Davidson (Sandy Flying Cloud's Friend), Patricia Dwonth (Stephanie Auneida's aunt), Masson Gordon (Curcio Family friend), Cami Grillo (member), 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), Pam (Melanie Veazey's cousin), Marvin Richter (Renee Markert's father), Richard Robilard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Audrey Sheffler (Sherrill Baker's friend), Heather Smith (Cami Grillo's niece), Sylvia Stevens (Weife of Steve Stevens and Bob Berg's friend), Dan Canada (Michaella Turk's Friend), Page Turk (Michaella Turk's Friend), Page Tur Thomson (Jane King's friend), Mary Beth Torgerson (Cathy Tanner'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) Danna White (Cathy Tanner's friend), and Michael Wilson (Vicki Kastning's friend).

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

Addison Albert (Hamilton family friend), Margie Bannister (member), Jack Barry (Betty Brown's friend), Don Brown (Betty Brown's friend), Jacquie & Dick Craft (Thieme family friends), Joan Davis (Curcio family friend), Theda Dawley (Cris Sherman's mother-in-law), Sherri Gordon (regular visitor), Marge Gonyea (member), Gloria Groff (Cathy Edwards' friend), Melissa (Judy Richards' friend), Bill O'Néall (Ruth & Mark Neitzel's friend), Gunn Nesse (Andy Nesse's mother), Richard Peterson (Sherri Gordon's father), Steve Polkinghorn (Cathy Tanner's friend), Mary Riley (Donella Robbins' friend), Wade Sanders (Ida Beth Morgan's son-in-law), Mona Shogren (member), Gordon Tibbetts (Sherrill Baker's friend), Kimi Toyoda (member), Heidi Van Doren (member), Jeff Ward (Melanie Veazey's brother-in-law), Phyllis Watters (member) & Connie Wolter (member).

Special Prayers: Perry Conricode (Ginny & Jim Conricode's son), Debbie & Wade Sanders (Ida Beth Morgan's (daughter & son-in-law), Sarah (Cathy Edwards' granddaughter).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Marilyn Anderson (member), Perdy Carlson (member), Phyllis Enger (member), Ardyce Johnson (member), Carol Nelson (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).

Please remember to pray for peace in these war torn areas: Israel/Palestine, Syria, Afghanistan, North Korea, Somalia and Irag.

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 (Adjortolo family friend)

MARINES: James Bacon (Jeanne Koruga's friend) and Olav Wampler (Elizabeth & Randall Wampler's son)

NAVY: Karl Krueger (Karin Ulvin's husband) and Kelsey Schunk (Jack Schunk's granddaughter)

PEACE CORPS: Maoulay Adjorlolo (member)

Prayer shawls are available upon request.

September 17, 2017 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 21:1-3: 22:1-14 Binding of Isaac

Attendance: 118 September 3, 2017 General Offerings: \$5976 Mortgage Fund: \$640

Amount needed per Sunday:

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