January 7, 2018 Baptism of Our Lord/Epiphany 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 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

Assisting With Today's Service:				
Presiding Minister	Rev. Tor Kristian Berg	Ushers	Alain Adjorlolo & Randall Wampler	
Music Director	Lucy Kay Osborne	Communion Assistants	Kendahl Adjorlolo & Marilyn Iverson	
Ensemble Director	Richard Edmonds	Sound Tech	Andrew Phelps	
Piano	June Condra	Greeter	Greta Nelson	
Flute	Cheryl Miller	Lector	Trudy Eichelsdoerfer	
Percussion	Trent DeVerter	Acolyte	Alex Freriks	
Ensemble	Scott Eiler, Rachel Jackman, Curtis Koger, Doug Peterson, Gordy Phelpls & Johannes Skjonsby			

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

MEDITATION SONG: Lord Jesus Christ, Your Light Shines



OPENING DIALOGUE:

Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name.

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders.

The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice.

The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;

The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"

The LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.

The LORD shall give strength to his people;

the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

ENTRANCE HYMN: Shine, Jesus, Shine (ELW 671)



GREETING

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

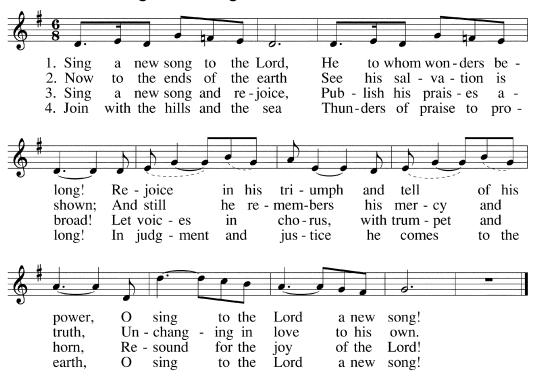
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

God of all people, you called many by name, asking them to follow Jesus and obey. Call us by name, and help us to follow and obey. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE: Sing a New Song to the Lord

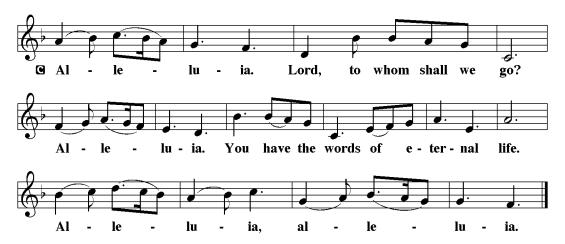


ANTHEM: Come and See (R. Makeever)

WORD

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

WELCOMING THE WORD



THE WORD: John 1:35-51

³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹Nathanael

replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Word of God.

Word of life.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters (ELW 445)



- 1 Wash, O God, our sons and daugh-ters, where your cleans-ing wa-ters flow.
- 2 We who bring them long for nur ture; by your milk may we be fed.
- 3 Oh, how deep your ho ly wis dom! Un im ag ined, all your ways!



Num - ber them a - mong your peo - ple; bless as Christ blessed long a - go. Let us join your feast, par - tak - ing cup of bless - ing, liv-ing bread. To your name be glo - ry, hon - or! With our lives we wor-ship, praise!



Weave them gar-ments bright and spark-ling; com-pass them with love and light. God, re - new us, guide our foot - steps; free from sin and all its snares, We your peo - ple stand be - fore you, wa - ter - washed and Spir - it - born.



Fill, a - noint them; send your Spir - it, one with Christ in liv - ing, dy - ing, By your grace, our lives we of - fer.

ho - ly dove and heart's de - light. by your Spir - it, chil - dren, heirs. Re - cre - ate us; God, trans - form!

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-reflection.

Loving God,

we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly; we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know; we have thought more about ourselves than others; we have thought less of ourselves than we ought. Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.

Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of • Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Confident that God our light and our salvation hears us when we pray, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

For the church and the ministry of the baptized, that your Holy Spirit will teach all people to forgive sins, ending violence and ushering in peace throughout the world, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For the earth and all living things, for favorable weather, for plants and animals, that you will cause all creation to thrive in the care of good stewards, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For the leaders of national and local governments, agencies, and organizations, for areas of the world suffering from war (*especially*), that you will bless all people with plenty, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For the sick and suffering, the imprisoned and hungry, the lonely and grieving (*especially*), that Christ our great physician will soothe and console all in need, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For our local community, (for those baptized this day,) and for this congregation, that in our joys and sorrows we remember that we are God's beloved children, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For whom do the people pray?

In thanksgiving for our ancestors in the faith, both distant and near, who have taught us to believe the good news of Christ, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

Merciful God, you hear our prayers even before we speak them. Receive them for the sake of the one through whom you have revealed your goodness, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

PFACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Peace be with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: Come, Bring Them to the Table



OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful God, receive the gifts we bring, our selves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

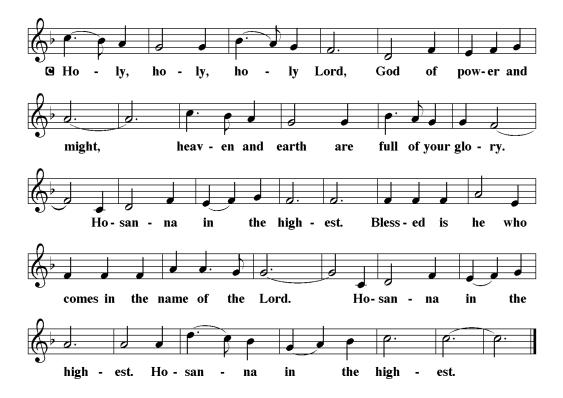
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



GREAT THANKSGIVING

Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all.

By your powerful word you created all things.

Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed ... Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup ... Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son. Bless our Eucharistic Ministers who bring this food to our church family who cannot be here. May their presence 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

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave 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,

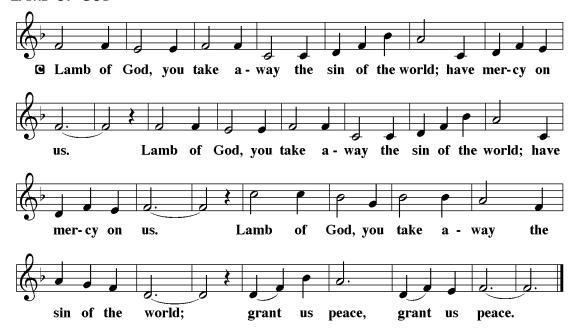
now and forever. Amen.

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:

Arise, Your Light Has Come! (ELW 314) What Feast of Love (ELW 487)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

O Morning Star, fair and bright, you have refreshed us again with heavenly food. You are our dearest treasure. Go with us now—today, tomorrow, every day—that we tell the story of your never-ending love and sing your praise both now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the • Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (ELW 815)



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Sing a New Song to the Lord (reprise)

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), Bill Beasley (Russel's brother-in-law); Barbara Bastin (Clint Bastin's mother), Debbie Bell (Renee Markert's cousin), 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), Joyce Daily (David Osborne's aunt), Janice Davidson (Sandy Flying Cloud's friend), Patricia Dwonch (Stephanie Almeida's aunt), Mikee Epply (Elodie Ragan's friend), Mason Gordon (Curcio Family friend), Cami Grillo (member), Edith Holbrook (member), Darryl Lageson (member), Tom McMaster (Dawn Bastin's father), Mark Nesse (Darci Desilet's stepfather), Susan Oja (Cathy Tanner's friend), Pam (Melanie Veazey's cousin), Kenneth Rapp (Loretta Rapp's son), Marvin Richter (Renee Markert's father), Richard Robilard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Robin (Sherrill and Larry Baker's acquaintance), Audrey Sheffler (Sherrill Baker's friend), Jen Shirley (Curcio family friend), Sylvia Stevens (wife of Steve Stevens and Bob Berg's friend), Sue (Paula Glandon'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:

John Anderson (former member), Cathy Edwards (member), Elodie Ragan (member), Sharel Sheldrake (member) & Connie Wolter (member).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Margie Bannister (member), Perdy Carlson (member), Phyllis Enger (member), Ardyce Johnson (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) & 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)

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) & Kyle Warner(Karen and Paul Gabrielsen's grandson)

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.

INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, January 7, Baptism of Our Lord/First Sunday after Epiphany

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

5:00 pm Journey Class-Supporting Our Muslim Neighbors. All are welcome. Dinner will be served.

Monday, January 8, 2018

Pastor Berg's Sabbath

10:00 am Friends Supporting Friends

Tuesday, January 9

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

11:00 am Staff Meeting

4:15 pm Library Committee

5:30 pm Christian Education Committee Youth Committee

6:30 pm **Finance Committee** 7:00 pm

Wednesday, January 10

9:15 am Preschool Chapel

9:30 am WFLC (WELCA) Board 10:00 am Library Work Party

Living Truth Fellowship

11:00 am Worship Team Meeting 12:30 am Preschool Chapel

5:30 pm Fellowship Committee

7:00 pm Bell and Cross Tower Committee

Thursday, January 11

9:00 am Ouilters

9:15 am Preschool Chapel

12:30 pm Preschool Chapel

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, January 12

10:00 am Living Truth Basic Beliefs

7:00 pm Living Truth Bible Study 8:00 pm Youth Overnighter

Saturday, January 13

6:00 pm WFLC (WELCA) Epiphany By Starlight—Pastor Mary Lindberg is our quest speaker. All are

welcome. Please sign up in the narthex on Sunday, January 7.

Sunday, January 14, Second Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome Rev. Rick Rouse!

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am **Education Hour**

Living Truth Bible Study

11:00 am

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship

12:30 pm Living Truth Lunch

5:00 pm Journey Class—Supporting our Muslim Neighbors. Dinner will be served. All are welcome!

January 14, 2018 Second Sunday after Epiphany John 2:1-11 Wedding at Cana

December 31, 2017 Attendance: 145

General Offerings: \$10,172 Mortgage Fund: \$1,988

Amount needed per Sunday:

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

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.



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.

Eucharistic Ministry

Every Sunday there are several wooden 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. They pray and bring comfort to those who cannot be with their worshipping community of faith.

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SERMON NOTES

Interesting things I heard:				



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America God's work. Our hands.