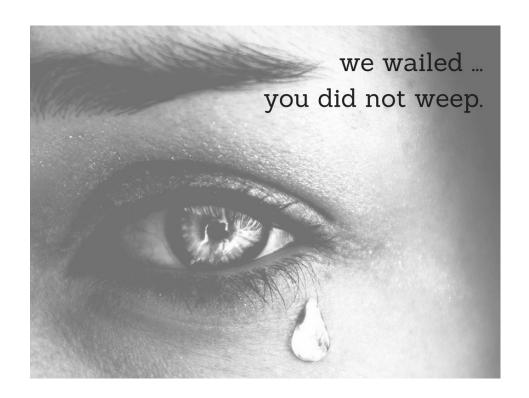
February 12, 2017 Sixth Sunday after Epiphany 8:30 AM





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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GATHERING

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

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

PRELUDE: Andante (Mendelssohn)

WELCOME

Assisting With Today's Service:

Piano/ Organ	Lucy Kay Osborne	Ushers	Dan Bormann & Chris Cardwell
Choir Director	Sarah Moran	Communion Assistants	Mary Cardwell, Darryl Lageson & Jacky Schnarre
Lector	Mark Hatlen	Sound Tech	Roger Wolter
Acolyte	Benjamin & Levi	Greeter	Mitchell DeGard

GATHERING SONG: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! (ELW 634)



- 1 All hail the pow'r of Je sus' name! Let an gels pros-trate fall;
- 2 O seed of Is rael's cho-sen race now ran-somed from the fall,
- 3 Hail him, you heirs of Da-vid's line, whom Da vid Lord did call—
- 4 Sin ners, whose love can ne'er for get the worm-wood and the gall,



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem and crown him all. Lord him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all. hail God in - car - nate, man di - vine—and crown him Lord of all. the spread your tro-phies at his feet and crown him all. Lord of go



di - a - dem all. Bring forth the roy - al and crown him Lord of Hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord all. of The God in - car - nate, man di - vine—and crown him Lord of all. and crown him Lord Go spread your tro-phies at his feet of all.

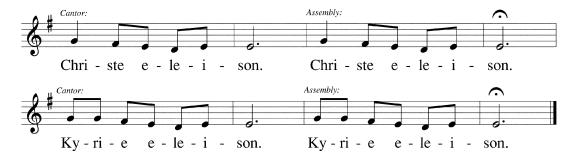
- 5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball to him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all.
- 6 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.

GREETING

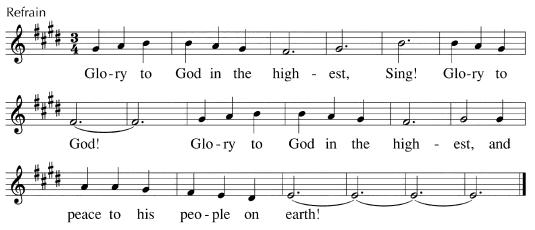
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE





CANTICLE OF PRAISE



Verses

- 1. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
- 3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

God of mystery, just as the crowds wondered about Jesus, we too, wonder about you. Who are you to us? Are you the one? Show us that you are God, mysterious, wonderful, mighty. Amen.

ANTHEM: Let My Heart and Soul Praise the Lord (arr. McFadden)

WORD

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

WELCOMING THE WORD



THE WORD: LUKE 7:18-35

¹⁸The disciples of John reported all these things to him. So John summoned two of his disciples ¹⁹ and sent them to the Lord to ask, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" ²⁰When the men had come to him, they said, "John the Baptist has sent us to you to ask, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" ²¹Jesus had just then cured many people of diseases, plagues, and evil spirits, and had given sight to many who were blind. ²²And he answered them, "Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor have good news brought to them. ²³And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me." ²⁴When John's messengers had gone, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? ²⁵What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who put on fine clothing and live in luxury are in royal palaces. ²⁶What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ²⁷This is the one about whom it is written,

'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.'

²⁸I tell you, among those born of women no one is greater than John; yet the least in the kingdom of God is greater than he." ²⁹(And all the people who heard this, including the tax collectors, acknowledged the justice of God, because they had been baptized with John's baptism. ³⁰But by refusing to be baptized by him, the Pharisees and the lawyers rejected God's purpose for themselves.)

³¹To what then will I compare the people of this generation, and what are they like? ³²They are like children sitting in the marketplace and calling to one another.

'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;

we wailed, and you did not weep.'

³³For John the Baptist has come eating no bread and drinking no wine, and you say, 'He has a demon'; ³⁴the Son of Man has come eating and drinking, and you say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!'

³⁵Nevertheless, wisdom is vindicated by all her children."

Word of God, word of life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON:

Roger Steinke, Director of REACH Ministries

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: Signs and Wonders (ELW 672)



- 1 Signs and won ders lead the danc ing from the heart God frees from fear:
- 2 Hope and free dom join the cir cle: Mar y to the gar den came,
- 3 Cast a side all fear and hid ing; hand in hand we dance the round.



wings of an - gels greet the mai - den, and God finds a dwell-ing here; saw the ra-diance of the mar - vel, heard the Ris - en call her name; God is with us, Christ, a - bid - ing, and the Spir - it's gifts a - bound.



bold - ly may we lift our hands, bow the head, and voice A - men; bold - ly may we heed Christ's call, step Called by God to ho - li - ness, let us bold - ly serve and bless;



thus does glo - ry shine at mid-night: o - pen hearts in - vite the star - light. beau - ti - ful the feet pro-ceed - ing with good news of death's de-feat - ing. and to hearts that sigh and hun - ger may our lives dance signs and won - ders.

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Called to be a light to the nations, let us pray for God's justice, peace, and healing.

Holy Lord, you alone are God. Remove jealousy and quarreling between Christian denominations. Hold us in the unity of our baptism as we work together to serve you. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You called into being the first fruits of the earth. Guide gardeners and farmers who till the soil and tend the fields. Bless their work and in due season bring forth the bounty of the land. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Merciful Lord, your love knows no bounds. Break down barriers caused by nationalism. Challenge our stereotypes. Give us courage to engage in difficult conversations with those whose experiences are different from our own. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on all who struggle. Ease the pain of families affected by divorce. Grant life-giving work to all who seek employment. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You know every hair on our heads. Yet we do not even know each of our neighbors. Equip our outreach ministry and this assembly to get to know the people in our community. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For whom do the people pray?

Eternal Lord, you are the God of our ancestors in faith. You are our God. Keep us faithful until we join all the saints at your heavenly banquet. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Receive these prayers in the name of Christ, the light of the world, who is one with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

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.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY: Aria (Handel)

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



OFFERING 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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

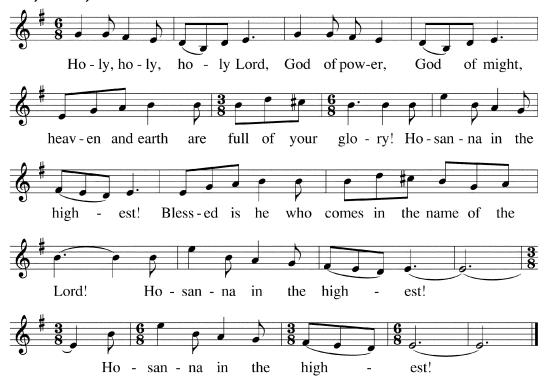
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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, 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 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.

As your Son provided for his disciples, we send out your servants to bring this meal to our brothers and sisters who cannot join us this day. May it be a blessing of hope and spiritual nourishment.

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

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

We who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. Come. Be filled with light and life.

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:

Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak (ELW 676) Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said (667)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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

PRESENTATION: The God and Me Badge to Members of Pack 584

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.

SENDING SONG: Let Justice Flow like Streams (ELW 717)



- 1 Let jus tice flow like streams of spar-kling wa ter, pure,
- 2 Let righ-teous-ness roll on as oth-ers' cares we heed,
- 3 So may God's plumb line, straight, de fine our mea sure true,



en - a-bling growth, re - fresh-ing life, a - bun - dant, cleans-ing, sure. an ev - er - flow - ing stream of faith trans-lat - ed in - to deed. and jus-tice, right, and peace per-vade this world our whole life through.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



February 19, 2017 Epiphany 7

Luke 7:36-50 Forgiven at Jesus' Feet

Weekly Financial Report

February 5, 2017 Attendance: 234

General Offerings: \$12,329.19 Mortgage Fund: \$1,808

Amount needed per Sunday:

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

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.

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.

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IN OUR PRAYERS

Our Ministry Partners:

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church, Lutheran Disaster Response, People of Allepo, Syria, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services and Texas-Louisianna Gulf Coast Synod-Flooding

Those living with cancer:

Paul Aldrich (Lageson Family friend), Carol Angello (Bob & Phyllis Watters' friend), Erika Beers (member), 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 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), 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 Veazey'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 (Carólyn Becker's sister-in-law), Michael Wilson (Vicki Kastning's friend) and **Donna White** (Cathy Tanner's friend)

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

Jay Arndtson (member), Nancy Astalfa (Bobbi Osborne's sister), Margie Benson (member), Vivian Carlton (member), Isabel de Jesus Congdon (Sue Toyoda's friend), Jacquie & Dick Craft (Thieme family friends), Stephanie Dishneau (Carlene & Sherm Russell's daughter), Cathy Edwards (member),), Sherri Gordon (regular visitor), Marge Gonyea (member), Jeff (Amanda Sanders' friend), Keith Hood (member), Bernard (Buck) Kelly (Betty Kelly's husband), Steve Keltner (Jennifer Keltner's husband), Mary Lou (Evelyn Fischer's niece), Melissa (Judy Richards' friend), John Peterson (Val Cole's father), Shirley Peterson (Haley LaFord's grandmother), Michael Preston (Tanya Preston's husband), Mary Riley (Donella Robbins' friend), Ryan & Sarah (Cathy Edwards' grandchildren), Karishma Skjonsby (member), Jeff Smeck (Mark Neitzel's friend), 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:

Perdy Carlson (member), Claire (Sue Ebert's mother), Phyllis Enger (member), Ardyce Johnson (member), Carol Nelson (member), Erik Olson (member), Lillian & Lawrence Romaniuk (Leon Romaniuk's parents), Fran Tazuma (member), Helen Young (member) and Roger Zimmerman (Connie Wolter's brother)

Phil & Marcia (Karen Thomas' friends), Roseanne (Cathy Edwards' friend) & the Granroth family (Amanda Sanders' friends

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

Israel/Palestine, Syria, Afghanistan, and Iraq.

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)

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

NAVY: Karl Krueger (Karin Ulvin's friend), Toby Pickens (Jean Pickens' grandson), Kelsey Schunk (Jack Schunk's granddaughter)

INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, February 12 Sixth Sunday After Epiphany

8:30 am Worship—Boy Scout God & Country Awards

9:45 am Education Hour

11:00 am Worship

12:30 pm Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship

3:45 pm 2017 Youth Auction! The Disney themed youth auction benefits the youth ministry at FLC.

Please join us for a fun evening and delicious dinner! Your winning bid could get you a vacation, a Mariner's game, a beautiful quilt, one of the prize cakes, or one of many other

lovely items!

Monday, February 13

Pastor Berg's Sabbath

10:00 am Friends Supporting Friends

Tuesday, February 14

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

4:15 pm Library Committee 5:30 pm Worship Committee

7:00 pm Finance Committee

Wednesday, February 15

10:00 am Rebecca Circle

Peace by Piece Sewing

2:00 pm Liturgical Arts Guild

Thursday, February 16

9:00 am Quilters

10:00 am Eucharistic Team Meeting

7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir

Friday, February 17

12 pm All Seasons Lunch

6:00 pm Pasta with Pastor & Susan

Saturday, February 18

9:00 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

Sunday, February 19 Seventh Sunday After Epiphany

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour

11:00 am Worship

12:15 pm New Member Class

12:30 pm Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship

7:00 pm Chime Choir