

September 11, 2016  
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost  
11:00 AM



Found in an Ethiopian Coptic Church



First Lutheran Church  
BOTHELL

# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

## *STATEMENT OF WELCOME*

We, the community of First Lutheran Church of Bothell, proclaim the message that the grace of our Lord is infinitely inclusive and that everyone is welcome. We believe that Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness in a world of alienation and brokenness.

As a Reconciling in Christ congregation and as disciples of Christ seeking justice and reconciliation among all peoples, we at First Lutheran Church welcome all into the fullness of God's love. **We welcome everyone, without exception and regardless of sex, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical and mental ability, age, or station in life.** We recognize that each person is a unique creation of God, and through grace, a child of God.

All are welcome at First Lutheran.

All are welcome to worship, to hear the Good News, to receive the sacraments, and to share in fellowship and service. As members of First Lutheran Church, we pledge ourselves and our congregation to exercise our faith in Christ, treasuring one another's similarities while embracing our God-given differences. We pledge that we will strive to live as a reconciling people, in our life together and in our outreach to the world.

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**WORSHIP**

- + Please sign the white card in the pew rack and hand it to an usher on your way forward for Holy Communion.
- + The service is printed in this bulletin. Some hymns are located in the red hymn book.
- + Hearing enhancement receivers, large print bulletins are available. Feel free to ask an usher for assistance.
- + Our expectation is that children will be in worship. We understand, though, that there are times when your wiggly ones need a distraction. There is a “Pray Space” under the stairs in the inner narthex with soft toys and books. If you desire the nursery ask an usher for directions.
- + Public Wi-Fi password: MartyLuther.
- + If you would like to have a digital copy of the bulletin, go to our website and download the PDF. [www.flcbothell.org](http://www.flcbothell.org)

**GATHERING**

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

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

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

Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no quo - ni - am bo - nus.  
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a - lone, O Lord, are ho - ly.

Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Al - le - lu - ia!

## OPENING DIALOGUE: *Psalm 8*

O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses, what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?

Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet: all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

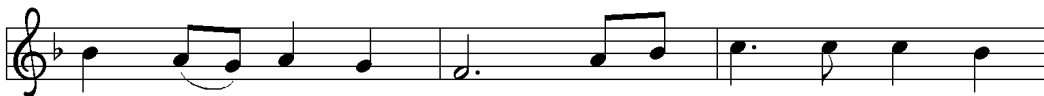
## GATHERING SONG: *All Are Welcome* (ELW 641)



- 1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
- 2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and
- 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and
- 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and
- 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how  
true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to  
wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where  
stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and  
heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and  
dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as  
peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through  
live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the  
words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of  
wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we  
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in  
strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an  
laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:  
claim the faith of Je - sus:  
Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,  
end to fear and dan - ger:  
claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

## 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 God, you have placed us in the middle of your great creation full of goodness and plenty. Yet, we often turn that goodness into rot, that plenty into scarcity. Help us, we pray, to turn back to you, to become worthy of your creation. Amen.**

## 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.

# HYMN OF PRAISE: *Kyrie Eleison*

*Refrain*



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

*Last time*



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, ev - 'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im -
- 3 For peace in our hearts, for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you



health of the church, for the u - ni - ty of all;  
passioned re - sponse to the hun - gry and the poor;  
peace in our homes, for friends and fam - i - ly;  
cen - ter our lives in the wa - ter and the word;



for this ho - ly house, for all who wor - ship and praise,  
that we may live out . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
for life and for love, . . . for our work and our play,  
that you nour - ish our souls . . . with your bo - dy and blood,

*Refrain*



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

**ANTHEM: *There Was a Word (R. Makeever)***

**WORD**

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

**WELCOMING THE WORD: *Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?***



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



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



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le -



lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**THE WORD: *Genesis 2:4b-7, 15-17; 3:1-8***

In the day that the Lord GOD made the earth and the heavens, <sup>5</sup>when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up — for the Lord GOD had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; <sup>6</sup>but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground — <sup>7</sup>then the Lord GOD formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. <sup>15</sup>The Lord GOD took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the Lord GOD commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

<sup>1</sup>Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, "You shall not eat

from any tree in the garden?" <sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup>but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; <sup>5</sup>for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

<sup>8</sup>They heard the sound of the Lord GOD walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord GOD among the trees of the garden.

Word of God.

Word of life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON:

Roger Steinke,  
Director of REACH Ministries

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: *God, When Human Bonds Are Broken* (ELW 603)



1 God, when hu - man bonds are bro - ken and we lack the  
 2 Through that still - ness, with your Spir - it come in - to our  
 3 You in us are bruised and bro - ken: hear us as we  
 4 Send us, God of new be - gin - nings, hum - bly hope - ful  
 5 Give us faith to be more faith - ful, give us hope to



love or skill to re - store the hope of heal - ing,  
 world of stress, for the sake of Christ for - giv - ing  
 seek re - lease from the pain of ear - lier liv - ing;  
 in - to life. Use us as a means of bless - ing:  
 be more true, give us love to go on learn - ing:





give us grace and make us still.  
all the fail - ures we con - fess.  
set us free and grant us peace.  
make us stron - ger, give us faith.  
God, en - cour - age and re - new!

## 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

Rejoicing in the Spirit's work among us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

Gracious God, we thank you for your word that strengthens the weak and the faint in heart. We thank you for your word that encourages the believer and saves sinners. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for those places in our world ravaged by fires or floods (*especially*). Restore the land, and bless the efforts of those who work to save and protect it. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for the leaders of nations and all those in positions of authority. Guide them as they make decisions for the good of all. Lead them in the ways that make for peace. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for those who suffer as the result of war, violence, terrorism, or natural disaster. And we pray for those who willingly serve others in dangerous situations: first responders, firefighters, emergency medical personnel, members of the military, law enforcement Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for our congregation. Prepare us to welcome newcomers. Make this a place of hope for the least of these in our community. Be with those who are sick, injured, or in any need, especially Anita & Greg Griffith. Hear us, O God.  
**Your mercy is great.**

For whom do the people pray?

Let us remember with thanksgiving the blessed dead who rest from their labors. We remember before you this day, Nicholas Griffith. Gladden us by their lives of faith, and at the last day unite us in the joy of heaven. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Gathered in God's presence, let us confess our sin.

*Silence for self-reflection.*

Mighty and loving God,  
**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We seek our own way. We divide the body of Christ. In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us. Let the words of our mouths, the thoughts of our hearts, and everything that we do be filled with faith, hope, and love. Amen.**

Hear the voice of Jesus: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me to proclaim release to the captives."

In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, I proclaim to you that your sins are forgiven and you are released. The joy of the Lord is your strength, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are yours forever.

**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:

### PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: *We Are an Offering* (ELW 692)

The image shows a musical score for the offertory 'We Are an Offering' (ELW 692). It consists of six staves of music in treble clef, 7/8 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes triplet markings (indicated by a '3' above the notes) and various rhythmic values such as eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: 'We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.'

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an  
of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our  
lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,  
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.  
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:  
we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

### OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

**Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

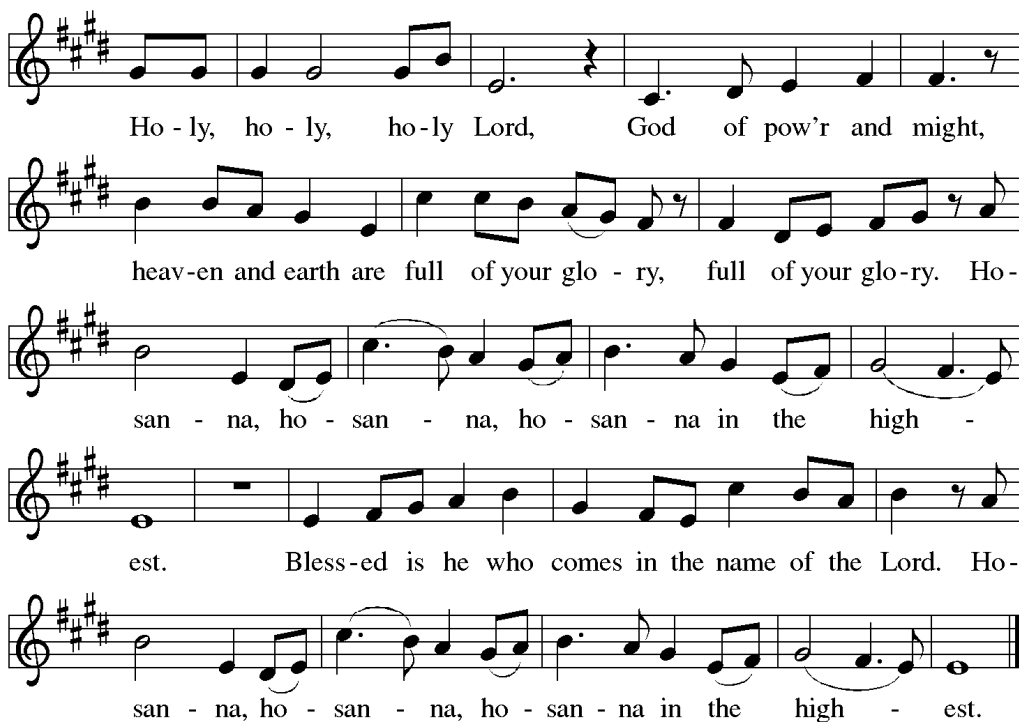
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food, you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life, and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.

You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Gracious God, anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and sacrament to our sisters and brothers in their homes, in prisons and in hospitals.

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**

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**

Take hold of the life that really is life.

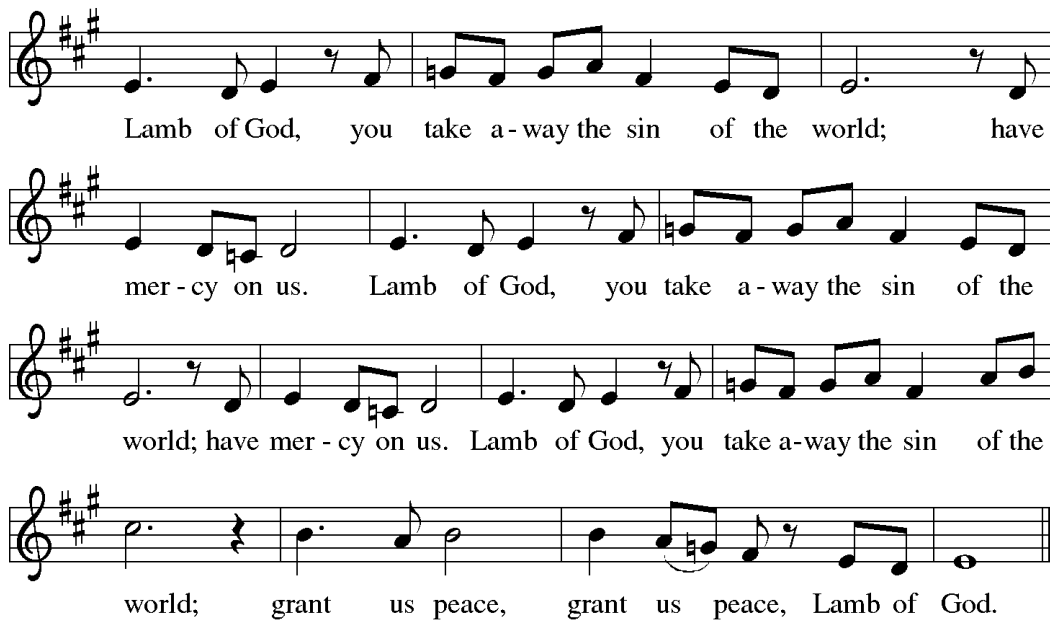
Come, take your place at the table.

**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 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 yellow pew card.*

**SANCTUS:**



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

## COMMUNION HYMNS:

### *Christ, Have Mercy on Us All (DATH 26)*



1 Christ, have mer - cy on us all. Keep us stead - fast e'er we  
2 God, be with us at the feast. Grant us wis - dom, give us  
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, breathe a - gain. Light the dark - ness, be our



fall.  
peace. Break the bread, pour the wine. Come and dine.  
friend.



4 Bake a great loaf; give it time; choose the best grapes from the



vine. Break the bread, pour the wine. Come and dine.

### *Come to the Table (ELW 481)*

### *Just As I Am, without One Plea (ELW 592)*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

**We come again to you, O God, giving you thanks that in this feast of mercy you have embraced us and healed us, making us one in the body of Christ. Go with us on our way. Equip us for every good work, that we may continue to give you thanks by embracing others with mercy and healing; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## SENDING

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BLESSING OF THE BEGINNING OF SCHOOL

## BLESSING

God Almighty send you light and truth to keep you all the days of your life. The hand of God protect you; the holy angels accompany you; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ✝ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and forever.

Amen.

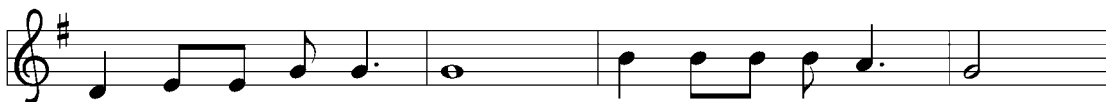
## SENDING SONG: *This Little Light of Mine* (ELW 677)



1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;



this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;



this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine,  
ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine,  
Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine,



let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor.  
Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE



### Assisting With Today's Service:

Piano	June Condra	Ushers	David Berg & Allen Glenn
Music Leader	Richard Edmonds	Communion Assistants	Emily Curcio
Lector	Stephanie Almeida	Sound Tech	Jason Liang
Acolyte	Annika Daniel	Greeter	Jose Alcaraz
Violin	Alexia Payne	Percussion	Joe Siebert

**Ensemble:** Scott Eiler, Beth & Gordy Phelps, Donella Robbins, Robin Rydzk and 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 the bread, the wine and 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.

### September 18, 2016 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost Job 14:7-15; 19:23-27 Is There Hope?

#### Weekly Financial Report

September 4, 2016 Attendance: 136

**General Offerings: \$11,731**

**Mortgage Fund: \$1,086**

#### Amount needed per Sunday:

**General Offerings: \$9,038**

**Mortgage Fund: \$1,098**

## IN OUR PRAYERS

### Our Ministry Partners:

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church, Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services and Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod—Flooding

### Those living with cancer:

Carol Angello (Bob & Phyllis Watters' friend), Neal Beachinor (Paul Desilet's uncle), Janet Berg (Pastor and Susan Berg's sister-in-law), 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), Craig Decker (Judy & Dave Richards' friend), Pih Foo (Lisa and Brad Hamilton's friend), Sandra Glenn (member), Jan Gregersen (Nicole Thomas' friend), Cami Grillo (member), Phyllis Hoefler (Marlis Pehling's friend), Tao Hong (Joy Fu's husband), Bernie Jenkins (Jane King's friend), Edna Kastning (member), Lee Larson (Beth Phelps' cousin), Marcella (Benson family friend), Mary Mahoney (Erika Beers' friend), Roy McMullen (Cathy Tanner's friend), Pete Nettles (Sherrill & Larry Baker's friend), Bruce Niermeyer (Cook family friend), Marvin Richter (Renee Markert's father), Audrey Sheffler (Sherrill Baker's friend), Heather Smith (Cami Grillo's niece), Dan Thomson (Jane King's friend), Maureen Volz (Doug & Jean Peterson's friend), Joanne Wejak (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law), Michael Wilson (Vicki Kastning's friend) and Darlene Zrust (Andrea Faubion's mother)

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

Paul Aldrich (Lageson Family friend), Margie Benson (member), Jacquie & Dick Craft (Thieme family friends), Cathy Edwards (member), Sherri Gordon (regular visitor), Marge Gonyea (member), Rachel & Jeff Danforth (member), Mary Riley (Donella Robbins' friend), Ryan & Sarah (Cathy Edwards' grandchildren), Karishma Skjonsby (member), Joyce Sullivan (member), Gordon Tibbetts (Sherrill Baker's friend), Sue Toyoda (member) and Phyllis Watters (member).

Special Prayers: Jeff & Ian Kosman (members), Mona Shogren (member) and Anita & Greg Griffith (Pastor Berg's cousin)

### Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Walter Appleseth (Sally Adams' father), Perdy Carlson (member), Claire (Sue Ebert's mother), Phyllis Enger (member), Ardyce Johnson (member), Carol Nelson (member), Erik Olson (member), Fran Tazuma (member), Helen Young (member) and Roger Zimmerman (Connie Wolter's brother)

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

Israel/Palestine, Syria, Afghanistan, Iraq, and those nations battling Boko Haram.

### Those Serving Our Country:

**AIR FORCE:** Tyler Ripley (Jeanne Koruga's nephew) and Erin Siebert (Linda & Joe Siebert's daughter)

**ARMY:** Christopher Fjeld (Richard & Judy Edmonds' grandson) and Lucas Peters (Jim & Vernita Steege's grandson)

**MARINES:** James Bacon (Jeanne Koruga's friend), Olav Wampler (Elizabeth & Randall Wampler's son) and Luke Yandell (Annie McCracken's grandson)

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

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## INFORMATION For the Week!

### Sunday, September 11 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

#### **Rally Day!**

- 8:30 am           Worship  
9:45 am           Education Hour  
11:00 am          Worship—*With Living Truth Lutheran Church!*  
12:30 pm          Rally Day Picnic! *Join the fun at the all-church rally day picnic. Fun and games for the whole family! Please bring a salad, side or desert to share. Hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks provided!*  
  
7:00 pm           Chime Choir

### Monday, September 12

First Day of Preschool—4 & 5 year olds!

- 10:00 am          Friends Supporting Friends—*Planning meeting in the library.*

### Tuesday, September 13

- 9:30 am           Lectionary—*Meet in the library to study next Sunday's Bible text. All are welcome!*  
11:00 am          Staff Meeting  
                      WFLC (WELCA) Potluck Set-up  
4:30 pm           Library Committee  
5:30 pm           Christian Education & Worship Committees  
7:00 pm           Fellowship, Finance, IT/Communications & Youth Committees

### Wednesday, September 14

- 9:30 am           WFLC (WELCA) Board Meeting  
11:30 am          WFLC (WELCA) Potluck—*Baby shower for Eastside Baby Corner. Please bring new or gently used items for newborn to 12 year olds.*  
  
7:00 pm           Sabbatical Committee

### Thursday, September 15

First Day of Preschool—3 year olds!

- 9:00 am           Quilters  
7:00 pm           Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### Friday, September 16

- 12:00 pm          All Seasons Lunch—*Soup, salad, roll and dessert lunch for our senior members and friends!*

### Saturday, September 17

- 1:00 pm           Nicholas Griffith Memorial Service

### Sunday, September 18 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:30 am           Worship  
9:45 am           Education Hour—*Special Congregation Meeting for all voting members.*  
11:00 am          Worship  
12:30 pm          Living Truth Worship  
5:00 pm           Journey Class—*Join Joe Siebert for a 3 week series, A Christian's View of Evolution. Dinner will be served!*  
  
7:00 pm           Chime Choir

## SERMON NOTES

**Interesting things I heard:**

**My favorite quote:**

**Main message:**

At First Lutheran God calls us to:

**CARE** for one another in community,

**GROW** in faith and discipleship,

**SERVE** the needs of a broken world; and in all we do,

**PROCLAIM** the love and saving grace of Jesus Christ.