

February 17, 2019
Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
11:00 AM



 **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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Holy Communion Setting: Bread of Life

11:00 AM

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

Assisting With Today’s Service:

Presiding & Preaching: Rev. Tor K. Berg

Ensemble Leader	Richard Edmonds	Ushers	Lloyd Condra & Walt Stoll
Piano	June Condra	Lector	Joe Siebert
Flute	Cheryl Miller	Greeter	
Percussion	Eric Daane	Sound Tech	Alain Adjorlolo
Ensemble	Rachel Jackman, Curtis Koger, Doug Peterson, Beth & Gordy Phelps, Johannes & Karishma Skjonsby & Randall Wampler	Communion Assistants	Marilyn Iverson & Greta Nelson
Acolyte	Alex Freriks	Pew Angel	Marcus Hodges

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

MEDITATION SONG: *Bless the Lord, My Soul*

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is primarily in the Treble clef, with accompaniment in the Bass clef. The lyrics are: "Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name." and "Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life." The score includes a repeat sign at the end of the second line.

OPENING DIALOGUE: PSALM 1

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

ENTRANCE HYMN: *Come, All You People: Uyaimose (ELW 819)*



U - ya - i - mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;
1 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Most High;
2 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Sav - ior;
3 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Spir - it;



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u - ya - i - mo - se Zvi - no.
come now and wor - ship the Lord.
come now and wor - ship the Lord.
come now and wor - ship the Lord.

GREETING

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

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Lord of the Word, Jesus taught us through stories and the wisdom of the shared word. Teach us through your stories, that we may learn, grow, and love. For the sake of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE: *Let There Be Praise* (W&P 87)

Let there be praise, let there be joy in our hearts.

Sing to the Lord, give God the glo - ry. glo - ry.

Let there be praise, let there be joy in our hearts.

For - ev - er - more let his love fill the air, and let there be praise.

ANTHEM: All That We Have (G. Ault; arr. G. Daigle)

Refrain: *All that we have and all that we offer
comes from a heart both frightened and free.*

- Take what we bring now and give what we need, all done in your name.
- 1 Some would rely on their power, others put trust in their gold.
Some have only their Savior, whose faithfulness never grows old. *Refrain*
 - 2 Sometimes the road may be lonesome, often we may lose our way.
Take courage and always remember love isn't just for a day. *Refrain*
 - 3 Sometimes when troubles are many, life can seem empty, it's true.
But look at the life of the Master, who lovingly suffered for you. *Refrain*

WORD

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

WELCOMING THE WORD: Lord to Whom Should We Go?



THE WORD: Matthew 13:24-43

²⁴He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; ²⁵but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' ²⁸He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both



All be safe - ly gath - ered in ere the win - ter storms be - gin.
wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.
from his field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;
Gath - er then thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.
give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
there, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy gar - ner to a - bide.



Come to God's own tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home.
Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.
but the fruit - ful ears to store in his gar - ner ev - er - more.
Come, with all thine an - gels, come, raise the glo - rious har - vest home!

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.**

We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

THE PRAYERS

United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

We pray for the church. Raise up faithful leaders to proclaim the gospel. Guide us in the ways of love. Empower us in ministry and service. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for the earth. Bless deserts and canyons, farmlands and vineyards. Bring sufficient rainfall to lands parched by drought, and restore places scorched by wildfire. Protect fragile environments from harm. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for the nations. Grant wisdom to our elected leaders for the sake of the common good. Give courage to those who suffer persecution. Give patience and perseverance to those who work to bring an end to injustice. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for those in need. For those who do not have enough food; for those who lack money; for those who are estranged from their families; for those who worry about many things. Comfort those who mourn. Heal and strengthen those who are sick (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for this assembly. For newcomers, visitors, longtime members, and those who are absent from us today. Root us deeply in your word and increase our faith. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

For whom do the people pray?

With thanksgiving, we remember those who have died (*especially*). Encourage us by their example and lead us in faith until we are united at your unending feast. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

BRIEF ORDER FOR 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 the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY:

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: *Come, Bring Them to the Table* (DATH 19)

All

Come, bring them to the ta - ble—

bring the gifts of bread and wine, the

hopes and dreams of all the peo - ple, the of - f'ring of our

lives, the of - f'ring of our lives.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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

♩ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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, 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 this meal is brought to those who cannot be with us today, may the light of Christ warm their thoughts and their faith.

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



☞ 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.

COMMUNION HYMNS:

Let Us Break Bread Together (ELW 471)

Here Is Bread (ELW 483)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your

Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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.

SENDING SONG: *Bring Forth the Kingdom (W&P 22) next page*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is your light.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Bring forth the kingdom

Leader
 D G/D D D/F# All
 G D/F# A D

1 You are salt for the earth, O peo-ple: salt for the king-dom of God!
 2 You are a light on the hill, O peo-ple: light for the cit - y of God!
 3 You are a seed of the word, O peo-ple: bring forth the king-dom of God!
 4 We are a blest and a pil-grim peo-ple: bound for the king-dom of God!

Leader
 G D/F# G A D All
 G D/F# A D

Share the fla - vor of life, O peo - ple: life in the king-dom of God!
 Shine so ho - ly and bright, O peo - ple: shine for the king-dom of God!
 Seeds of mer - cy and seeds of jus - tice, grow in the king-dom of God!
 Love our jour - ney and love our home - land: love is the king-dom of God!

Refrain
 G D/F# Em A D G D/F#

Bring forth the king - dom of mer - cy, bring forth the

Em A D G D/F# G A D

king - dom of peace; bring forth the king - dom of jus - tice,

G D/F# Em/G A D G D/F# A D

bring forth the cit - y of God!

IN OUR PRAYERS

Our Ministry Partners:

Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services, Lutheran Counseling Network, Lutheran World Relief and Compass Housing.

Those living with cancer:

Juanita (Bonnie & Bob Ahlstedt's sister-in-law), Barbara (Clint Bastin's mother), Joyce (David Osborne's aunt), Patricia (Stephanie Almeida's aunt), Linda (Paul Ehe's mother), Cami Grillo (member), Edith Holbrook (member), Susan (Cathy Tanner's friend), Marvin (Renee Markert's father), Richard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Aly (David Osborne's niece), Pam (Marlis Pehling's niece), Don (Doug Peterson's brother), Mary Beth (Cathy Tanner's friend), Rita (Ruth Neitzel's sister), Teresa (Michelle Tuck's friend), Roger (Michelle Tuck's brother-in-law), Tim (Neil McGee's friend), Kip (Paul Desilet's uncle), Rick Ulvin (Karen & Ray Thomas' friend) & Joanne (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law).

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

Jeff Almeida (Stephanie Almeida's husband), Paul Anderson (member), Ashley (Chris Martin & Tom Agnew's friend), Janice (frequent visitor), Cynthia (Ginny & Jim Conricode's sister-in-law), Nancy Davis (member), Judy (Judy Richard's friend), Sherri Gordon (member), Jackie (Stacy & Mike Souriall's friend), George (Geri Crawford's friend), Elodie Ragan (member), Mona Shogren (member), Roberto (Beth Phelps' brother-in-law), Ryan (Cathy Edwards' grandson), Sadako (Sue Toyoda's mother-in-law), Hannah (Mona and Dave Shogren's niece), Keith (Sue Toyoda's brother-in-law), Ted (Sue Toyoda's friend), Darlene (Andrea Faubion's mother), Zoe (Ian Anderson's sister), Harriet (Eleanor Walters' mother) & Vickie (Cathy Edwards' friend)

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Margie Bannister (member), Phyllis Enger (member), Lillian & Lawrence (Leon Romaniuk's parents), Fran Tazuma (member), Sigrid (Carsten Thode's mother) & 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), Ben Souriall (Stacy & Mike Souriall's son)

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) & Christopher Whipple (Carolyn & Richard Whipple's son)

We are honored to be able to pray for your family members in need. Our policy is to publish immediate concerns for 2 weeks, unless we hear from you that an illness or situation is ongoing.

February 24, 2019 Seventh Sunday After Epiphany

Matthew 14:13-33

Feeding of the 5000

Weekly Financial Report

February 10, 2019

Attendance:82

February 3, 2018 General Offerings: \$10,849

Mortgage Fund: \$1,481

Amount needed per Sunday:

General Offerings: \$9,907

Mortgage Fund: \$1,098

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INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, February 17 Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

8:30 am Worship
9:45 am Education Hour—*Converting All the Way Down*
10:00 am Ensemble Rehearsal
11:00 am Worship

Monday, February 18

Presidents Day—Church Office Closed
6:30 pm Hannah Circle

Tuesday, February 19

9:30 am Lectionary
11:00 am Staff Meeting
6:00 pm Personnel Committee
7:00 pm Church Council
 Brass Ensemble Rehearsal

Wednesday, February 20

10:00 am Rebecca Circle
11:00 am Worship Team Meeting

Thursday, February 21

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

Friday, February 22

Church Office Closed
Pastor Berg's Sabbath
7:00 pm Ann & Dan Bormann Chile Travelogue

Saturday, February 23

8:00 am Team World Vision Training

Sunday, February 24 Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome

Pastor Berg Vacation

8:30 am Worship
9:45 am Education Hour
10:00 am Ensemble Rehearsal
11:00 am Worship

SERMON NOTES

What caught my attention:

What did I hear that I am eager to share with another person?

I think the title of the sermon should be:



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