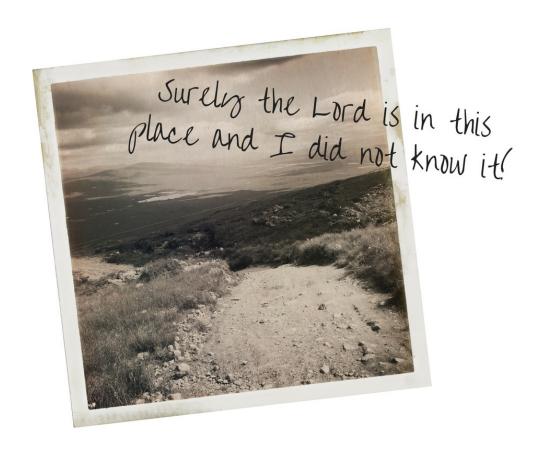
September 24, 2017 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM





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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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

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE: Come, Down Oh Love Divine (J. Bender)

WELCOME

Assisting With Today's Service:			
Presiding Minister	Rev. Tor Kristian Berg	Ushers	Chris Burns & David Osborne
Music Director	Lucy Kay Osborne	Communion Assistants	Ann Aagaard, Darryl Lageson & Kris Linderoth
Lector	Geri Crawford	Sound Tech	Jacky Schnarre
Acolyte	Benjamin & Levi Schnarre	Greeter	Carsten Thode

GATHERING SONG: God Is Here! (ELW 526)



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



We come to hear your liv-ing word; it saves us from de-spair. Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be-gin. Re-new us with your say-ing pow'r; cre-ate in us new hearts!

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for ev er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand. For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Loving God, like Jacob, who dreamed of your promises, you have filled us with dreams, too. Help us to live into those dreams of peace and unity. Amen.

ANTHEM: Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me (K. Lee Scott)

WORD

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

WELCOMING THE WORD



THE WORD: Genesis 27:1-4, 15-23, 28:10-17

¹When Isaac was old and his eyes were dim so that he could not see, he called his elder son Esau and said to him, "My son"; and he answered, "Here I am." ²He said, "See, I am old; I do not know the day of my death. ³Now then, take your weapons, your quiver and your bow, and go out to the field, and hunt game for me. ⁴Then prepare for me savory food, such as I like, and bring it to me to eat, so that I may bless you before I die."

¹⁵Then Rebekah took the best garments of her elder son Esau, which were with her in the house, and put them on her younger son Jacob; ¹⁶and she put the skins of the kids on his hands and on the smooth part of his neck. ¹⁷Then she handed the savory food, and the bread that she had prepared, to her son Jacob. ¹⁸So he went in to his father, and said, "My father"; and he said, "Here I am; who are you, my son?" ¹⁹Jacob said to his father, "I am Esau your firstborn. I have done as you told me; now sit up and eat of my game, so that you may bless me." ²⁰But

Isaac said to his son, "How is it that you have found it so quickly, my son?" He answered, "Because the LORD your God granted me success." ²¹Then Isaac said to Jacob, "Come near, that I may feel you, my son, to know whether you are really my son Esau or not." ²²So Jacob went up to his father Isaac, who felt him and said, "The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau." ²³He did not recognize him, because his hands were hairy like his brother Esau's hands; so he blessed him.

¹⁰ Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. ¹¹He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. ¹²And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; ¹⁴and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. ¹⁵Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." ¹⁶Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place — and I did not know it!" ¹⁷And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

Word of God, word of life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Roger Steinke, Director of REACH Ministries

SERMON

What is the "Offering?"

"Offerings" in the church service is understood to consist of the bread and the wine for the Lord's Supper. Offerings have grown to include the goods and the money we give to the Church to assist in its mission and to provide for the assistance of the needy. The act of bringing our gifts of money to the altar helps keep us mindful that we are now sharing in the work of bringing God's redeeming love to all people.

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



HYMN OF THE DAY: Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart (ELW 800)



APOSTLES' CREED

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

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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

Silence for self-reflection.

Source of all life,

we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.

God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, + God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

Let us pray for the church and its ministry. Unite us in one Spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God who stretched the spangled heavens, we thank and praise you for the gift of the sun, moon, stars, mountains, valleys, grasslands, and deserts. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of great mercy and love, you show faithfulness and kindness to the world every day. Guard those who suffer because of dishonest policies, corrupt government, or unfair labor practices. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God, you provide for all our needs. We pray for those who are homeless, jobless, or hopeless. We pray for those who are forgotten, ignored, or isolated. We pray for all in any need, especially Tessa, Jessie, Susan, Jim, Deanne, Frank, Sharel and Kevin. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for our congregation and our neighborhood. Accompany us wherever we are on our journey of faith. Give us joy in the present and hope for the future. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For whom do the people pray?

God of endings and beginnings, we remember before you all the faithful departed. Comfort those who mourn. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

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

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING: Andante (J. Stanley)

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

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

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

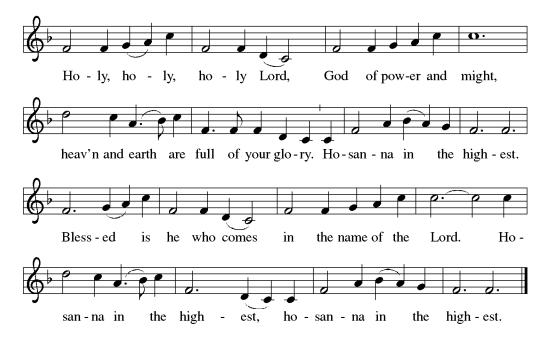
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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

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

We bless you, O God.

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

We thank you, O God.

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

Do this for the remembrance of me.

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

Do this for the remembrance of me.

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

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We send forth our Eucharistic ministers with this meal; may it be a sign of love, healing and hope.

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

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

COMMUNION: We will receive the body of Christ as gluten-free bread with these or similar words: The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ will be received as either red wine or white grape juice with these or similar words: The blood of Christ, shed for you.

WHO MAY COMMUNE? All are welcome at the Lord's Table. It is a free gift given to all for the forgiveness of sins. The words "for you" really mean FOR YOU!

Children may commune at the discretion of their parents. If you wish to receive a blessing: cross your arms over your chest as a sign for the communion assistants.

DIRECTIONS FOR COMMUNION: Please come forward by the center aisle at the direction of the ushers to receive the sacrament and return to your seat down the side aisle. Please register each person taking communion on a pew card.

THE LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION HYMNS:

For the Bread Which You Have Broken (ELW 494) Come Down, O Love Divine (ELW 804)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

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

SENDING

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

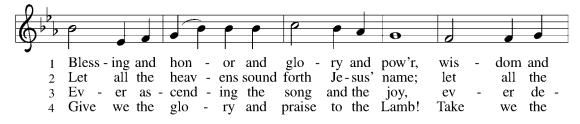
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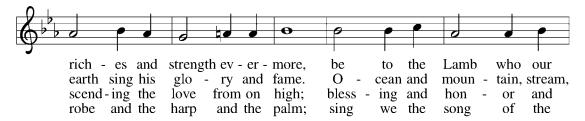
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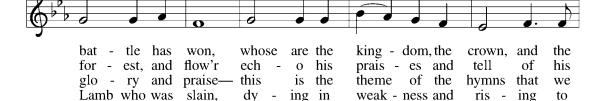
God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being; Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead; Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church:

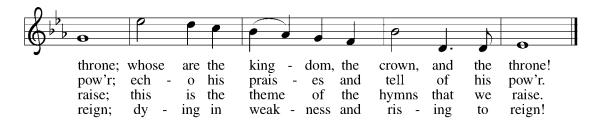
Amen.

SENDING SONG: Blessing and Honor (ELW 854)









DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Sound the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Gavotte, (J. Greene)

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INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, September 24 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour

11:00 am Worship

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship

12:30 Living Truth Lunch

5:00 pm Journey Class—Tonight, Hopelink Recognition Dinner with Manager of Case Management,

Elizabeth Harrison.

Monday, September 25

Pastor Berg's Sabbath

Tuesday, September 26

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

10:00 am Living Truth Fellowship

11:00 am Staff Meeting

Wednesday, September 27

9:15 am Preschool Chapel 11:00 am Worship Team Meeting 12:30 pm Preschool Chapel

Thursday, September 28

9:00 am Quilters

12:30 pm Preschool Chapel7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 29

7:30 pm National Lutheran Choir at St. Marks Episcopal Church in Seattle. All are welcome!

Saturday, September 30

Sunday, October 1 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Education Hour

11:00 am Worship

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church Worship

12:15 pm Confirmation Information Meeting

12:30 Living Truth Lunch



IN OUR PRAYERS.

Prayers of thanksgiving for the birth of Anna James Batstone to Holly and Ben Batstone, and big sisters, Ila and Vera!

Our Ministry Partners:

Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church, Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services, Lutheran Counseling Network, Lutheran World Relief

Paul Aldrich (Lageson Family friend), Michele Berger (Karey Coble's friend), Terry Chausee (Cathy Edwards' son-in-law), Neal Beachinor (Paul Desilet's uncle), Larry & Marcie Clure (Dan & Sandy Hendricks' friend), Kim Coleman (Kris Linderoth's friend), Marilyn Cristofori (Kelli Jo Winkler's friend), Joyce Daily (David Osborne's aunt), Janice Davidson (Sandy Flying Cloud's friend), Patricia Dwonch (Stephánie Álmeida's àunt), Paul Gabrielsen (member), Mason Gordon (Curcio Family friend), Cami Grillo (member), Tao Hong (Joy Fu's husband), Bernie Jenkins (Jane King's friend), Marcella (Benson family friend), Tom McMaster (Dawn Bastin's father), Mark Nesse (Darci Desilet's stepfathér), Bruce Niermeyer (Cook family friend), Pam (Melanie Veazey's cousin), Marvin Richter (Renee Markert's father), Richard Robilard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Audrey Sheffler (Sherrill Baker's friend), Heather Smith (Cami Grillo's niece), Sylvia Stevens (wife of Steve Stevens and Bob Berg's friend), Sue (Paula Glandon's friend), Dan Thomson (Jane King's friend), Mary Beth Torgerson (Cathy Tanner's friend), Roger Tuck (Michelle Tuck's brother-in-law), Kip Van Alstine (Paul Desilet's uncle), Joanne Wejak (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law) Danna White (Cathy Tanner's friend), and Michael Wilson (Vicki Kastning's friend).

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

Addison Albert (Hamilton family friend), Margie Bannister (member), Jack Barry (Betty Brown's friend), Don

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

<u>Special Prayers:</u> Sarah (Cathy Edwards' granddaughter), Tessa Bean & Jessie Kastning (Vicki & Kevin Kastning's daughter-in-law & granddaughter), Susan & Jim McIntosh (Kastning family friends) amd DeAnne & Frank Warnekros (Chester family friends).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Marilyn Anderson (member), Perdy Carlson (member), Phyllis Enger (member), Ardyce Johnson (member), Carol Nelson (member), Arlene O'Neall (Ruth & Mark Neitzel's friend), Lillian & Lawrence Romaniuk (Leon Romaniuk's pàrents), Éleanor Simonsen (Lisa Graumlich's mother-in-law), Joyce Sullivan (member) & Fran Tazuma (member).

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

Israel/Palestine, Syria, Afghanistan, North Korea, Somalia and 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)

PEACE CORPS: Maoulay Adjorlolo (member)

Prayer shawls are available upon request.

October 1, 2017 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Exodus 2:23-25: 3:1-15: 4:10-17

September 17, 2017 Attendance: 223

General Offerings: \$10,111 Mortgage Fund: \$813

Amount needed per Sunday:

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