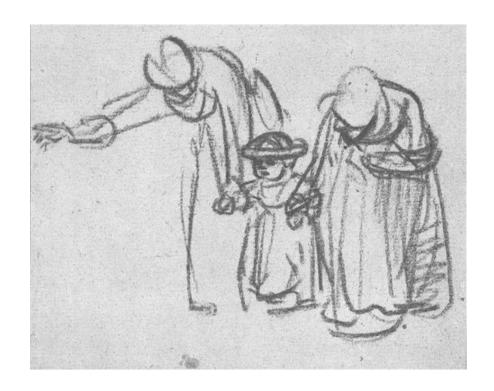
November 12, 2023 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM





FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

STATEMENT OF WELCOME

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

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

All are welcome at First Lutheran.

All are welcome to worship, to hear the Good News, to receive the sacraments, and to share in fellowship and service. As members of First Lutheran Church, we pledge ourselves and our congregation to exercise our faith in Christ, treasuring one another's similarities while embracing our 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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- + Please sign the card in the pew rack and place in the offering plate with your offering before 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 narrhex with soft toys and books. We also have a nursery with a caregiver available at both worship services. Please ask an usher for assistance.
- + If you would like to have a digital copy of the bulletin, go to our website and download the PDF. www.flcbothell.org
- + Public Wi-Fi: FLC Wireless Password: MartyLuther

Serving Us In Worship Today

Presiding/ Preaching	Rev. Tor Kristian Berg	Children's Message	Roger Steinke
8:30 am		11:00 am	
Music Director	Lucy Kay Osborne		
Greeter	Sandy Glenn	Greeter	Stephanie Almeida
Acolyte	Karlyn LaFord	Acolyte	Hazel Baker
Ushers	Dave Richards David Osborne	Ushers	Tom Larsen Rob McCaw
Sound Tech	Terry Barker	Sound Tech	Andrew Phelps
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Lector	Marlis Pehling	Lector	Tom Larsen
Communion Assistants	Allen Glenn Lynn Scoggins	Communion Assistants	Jeffrey Kosman Johannes Skjonsby
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GATHERING

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

PRELUDE: 8:30 - Hyfrydol (P. Manz)

11:00 - Hyfrydol (C. Berry)

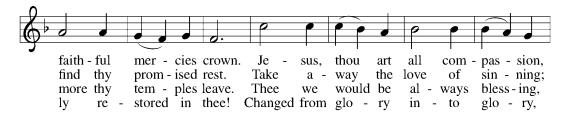
WELCOME

GATHERING SONG: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (ELW 631)



4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less

dwell-ing, earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble all thy in - her - it; trou - bled breast; let us all in thee let us life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er let be: let great sal - va - tion per - fect us us see thv







GREETING

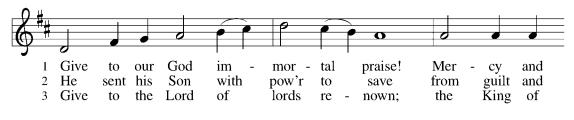
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

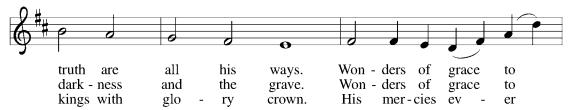
PRAYER OF THE DAY

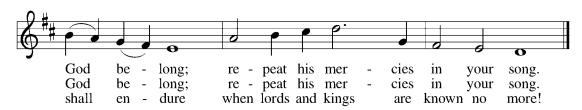
Let us pray.

Faithful God, you have continued to love your people despite our faithlessness to you. Receive our thanks for never giving up on us. Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: Give to Our God Immortal Praise! (ELW 848)







ANTHEM: 8:30—Truly God is Good (M. Barrett)
11:00—Oh The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus (Audrey Assad)
Rachel Jackman, Soprano

WORD

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

PSALM: Psalm 84:1-8

¹How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts!

²My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

³Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my king and my God.

⁴Happy are they who dwell in your house! They will always be praising you.

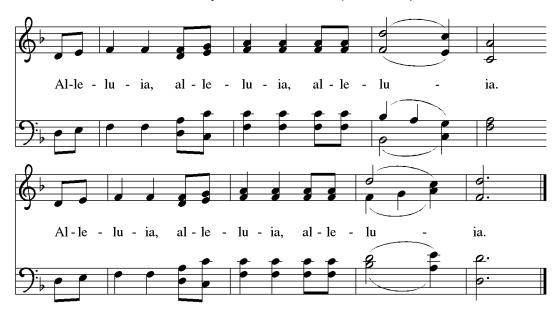
⁵Happy are the people whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

⁶Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of springs, for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

⁷They will climb from height to height, and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

⁸LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob.

WELCOMING THE WORD: Gospel Acclamation (ELW 175)



THE WORD: Hosea 11:1-9

¹When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.

²The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols.

³Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them.

⁴I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. ⁵They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me.

⁶The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes.

⁷My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all.

⁸How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender.

⁹I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath.

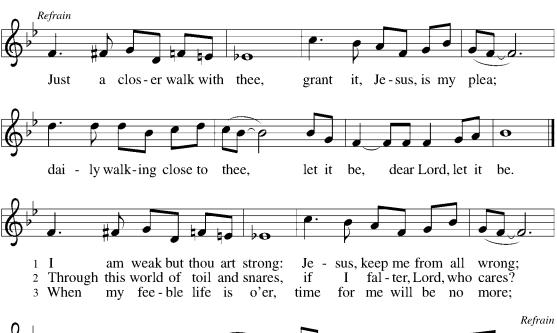
Word of God.

Word of life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: Just a Closer Walk with Thee (ELW 697)





I'll be sat - is - fied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. Who with me my bur-den shares? None but thee, guide me gent-ly, safe-ly o'er to thy king - dom shore, to thy shore.

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

Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

O God for whom we wait, come quickly to your people, bring your salvation, and center us in hope found only in you. Deepen our faith through meaningful worship and send us out with your justice and truth. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

O God for whom we watch, we glimpse your power in rushing water and your beauty in the darkening night. Restore this creation, and provide clean water to all people and animals. Save us from foolish, wasteful living. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

O God for whom we long, let justice roll down like waters on all nations. Bless citizens with wise leaders; save your children from war. We pray for the veterans of this community, that they are supported and loved. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

O God, in whom we hope, we pray for all who are in need. Provide for those who experience homelessness or hunger, support the under- or unemployed, and comfort any who are suffering this day. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

O God for whom we listen, inspire the music ministry of our congregation. Fill our worship with songs to proclaim your greatness. Help us to sing and dance with joy and tell boldly of your salvation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For whom do the people pray?

O God, in whom we remain, we remember our loved ones who have died and now live in you. Bring comfort and the assurance of new life to all who grieve. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We offer our spoken prayers and those held in our hearts trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Holy One,

we confess that we are not awake for you. We are not faithful in using your gifts. We forget the least of our siblings. We do not see your beautiful image in one another. We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community. Open our hearts to your coming, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.

Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.

Through + Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice! Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world.

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: The Love of the Lord (M. Hayes)

OFFERTORY: Bread for the Journey (GS2 40)





When our legs are get-ting heav-y, and we're hang-ing down our heads, With so ma - ny roads be - fore us, where to go is hard to say. All the walls we've built a - round us: may we learn to tear them down. where we'll live with all cre - a - tion, find our place and nev - er roam.



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant. 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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal: surrounded by evil and bordered by death we appeal to you, our Sovereign, our Wisdom, and our Judge. We praise you for Christ, who proclaimed your reign of peace and promised an end to injustice and harm.

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, the sacrifice of his life and death and the victory of his resurrection, we await with all the saints his loving redemption of our suffering world.

Send your Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine and on all who share in the body and blood of your Son: teach us your mercy and justice, and make all things new in Christ.

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

There is a place for you at the banquet. Come and feast at Jesus' table.

COMMUNION

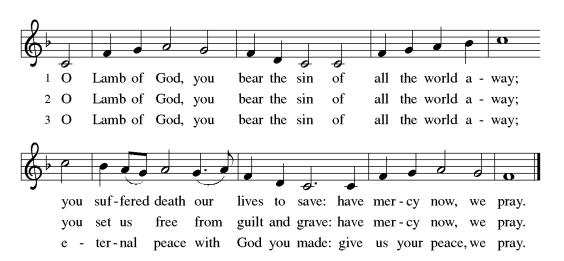
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

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

WHO MAY COMMUNE? All are welcome at the Lord's Table. It is a free gift given to all for the forgiveness of sins. The words "for you" really mean FOR YOU! Children may commune at the discretion of their parents. If you wish to receive a blessing: cross your arms over your chest as a sign for the communion assistants.

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

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION HYMN: Bread of Life from Heaven (ELW 474)



POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way. Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.

Amen.

SENDING SONG: Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love (ELW 708) (next page)

DISMISSAL

Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: 8:30 - Hyfrydol (R. V. Williams)

11:00 - Fugue in D (G. F. Handel)

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Psalm 119:48-55 Isaiah 5:1-7, 11:1-5 Isaiah's Vineyard Song

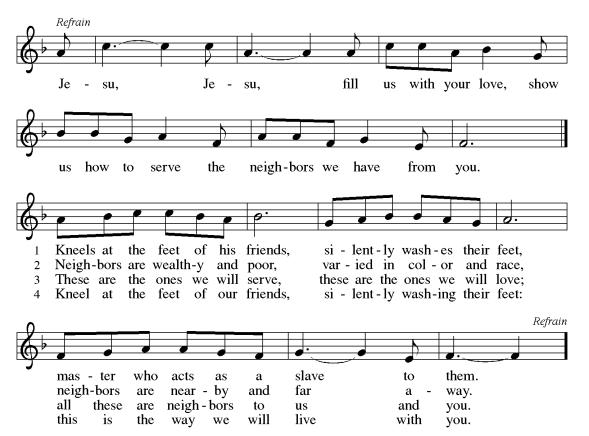
Weekly Financial Report

November 5, 2023 Attendance in Person: 139 Zoom:28

November 5, 2023 General Offerings: \$13,201 Capital Improvement: \$683

General Offerings Needed Each Week: \$10,510

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love



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INFORMATION for the Week!

Sunday, November 12

8:30 am Worship w/Holy Communion 9:45 am Sunday School for All Ages 11:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion

3:00 pm John Helmon Memorial Service at Holy Spirit Lutheran Church

Monday, November 13

Veterans Day Observed—Church Office Closed

10:00 am Widows Support Group 6:30 pm Executive Committee

Tuesday, November 14

9:00 am 4 & 5 Year Old Preschool

9:15 am Preschool Chapel

9:30 am Lectionary

3:30 pm Weekly News Submissions Deadline

4:15 pm Library Committee 7:00 pm Finance Committee

Wednesday, November 15

9:00 am 4 & 5 Year Old Preschool

10:00 am Rebecca Circle

5:00 pm Preschool Task Force

Thursday, November 16

9:00 am 5 Year Old Preschool

3 Year Old Preschool

Quilters

9:15 am Preschool Chapel

7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Friday, November 17 Church Office Closed

9:00 3 Year Old Preschool 11:30 am Oral History Committee

Saturday, November 18

9:00 am Hannah Circle

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study—All are welcome

Sunday, November 19

8:30 am Worship w/Holy Communion 9:45 am Sunday School for All Ages 11:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion

4:00 pm Lyric Arts Ensemble

In Our Prayers

We pray for Bishop Doctor Sani Ibrahim Azar and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land.

Those living with cancer:

Juanita (Bonnie Ahlstedt's sister-in-law), Sonja (Stephanie Almeida's friend), Del Benson (member), Mark (Dick Boyce's son), Lisa (Steve Coble's sister), Karen (Scott Eiler's sister), Dan (Paula Glandon's brother-in-law), Edith Holbrook (member), Tracee (Bonnie Ahlstedt's friend), Jessica Hockstedler (member), Dana (Barb & Tim Thieme's friend), Michael (Jeff Kosman's friend), Jana (Renee & Mike Markert's friend), Richard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Ted (Sue Toyoda's friend), Kip (Paul Desilet's uncle), Jim (Hendricks' family friend), Joanne (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law), Diane Mackey (Del Benson's friend), Chris & family (Dan & Sandy Hendricks' friends), Karen (Nora Strothman's cousin).

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

Bonnie Ahlstedt (member), Jeff Almeida (member), Alice (Del Benson's friend), Carolyn Becker (member), Mary Jane (Beth Bowers' mother), Dick Boyce (member), Doug (Ho Brown's brother-in-law), Susan (Bob Berg's cousin), Judy (Linda Chapman's friend), Randy (Chris Martin's friend), Leanne (Krista Daniels' isiter), Elizabeth (Jane King's friend), Nancy Davis (member), Carol Jo (Joan and Carl Christian's granddaughter), Jess Faubion (member), Tracy (Rob & Rene Baker's friend), Rachael (Stephanie Almeida's friend), John Godek (member). Steve (Del Benson's friend), Mark Hatlen (member), Marilyn Iverson (member), Marlo (Leona Keltner's friend), Debbie Lageson (member), Amy (Nancy McGee's friend), Axton (Vicki & Kevin Kastning's grandson), Richard Konieczka (Kathy Konieczka's husband), Albert (Chris Martin's friend), Jeanne (Justin LaFord's mother), Vicki (Darryl Lageson's sister), Andy (Vickie Shanks' friend), Donnabel (Derrick StaRosa's sister), Hildur O'Connor (member), Lola (Bob Berg's aunt), Ron (Beth Phelps' brother), Sandy Sailand (member), Mona Shogren (member), Walt Stoll (member), Christopher (Karen & Ray Thomas' friend), Sue (Aileen Miller's daughter).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Valerie (Kendahl Adjorlolo's cousin), Sherrill & Larry Baker (members), Mavis Carlson (member), Trudy Eichelsdoerfer (member), Marge Gonyea (member), Marlys Helgeland (member), Jane King (member), Greta & Larry Nelson (members), Lawrence (Leon Romaniuk's father), Jacquie Stoll (member), Sigrid (Carsten Thode's mother).

Those Serving Our Country:

AIR FORCE: Mason Land (Debbie & Darryl Lageson's nephew), Jake Peoples (Andrea & Eric Peoples' son) and Erin Siebert (Linda & Joe Siebert's daughter)

NAVY: Christopher Whipple (Carolyn 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.

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:



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God's work. Our hands.