September 5, 2021 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 and 10:30 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 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. The FLC Nursery is closed in the summer.
- + 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

Assisting With Today's Service:

Presiding: Rev. Tor K. Berg Music Director: Lucy Kay Osborne Ensemble Leader: Richard Edmonds Children's Message: Roger Steinke

	9:00 AM	10:30 AM
Greeter		
Ushers	Dan Bormann & Ryan Stute	Lloyd Condra
Lector	Susan Berg	Paul Flatness
Communion Assistants	Donna Hillard Nicole Thorsheim	Marilyn Kay
Sound Tech	Ann Bormann	Roger Wolter
Camera Tech	David Osborne	David Osborne
Pew Angel	Marcus Hodges	Marcus Hodges

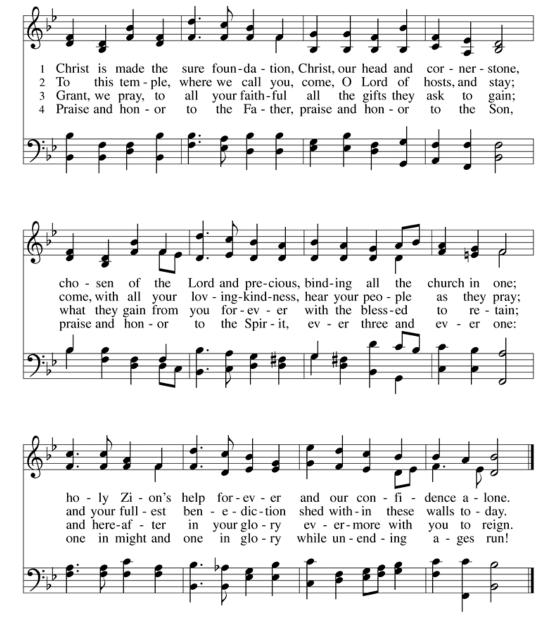
GATHERING

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

PRELUDE: Aria, J.S. Bach

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG: Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation



GREETING

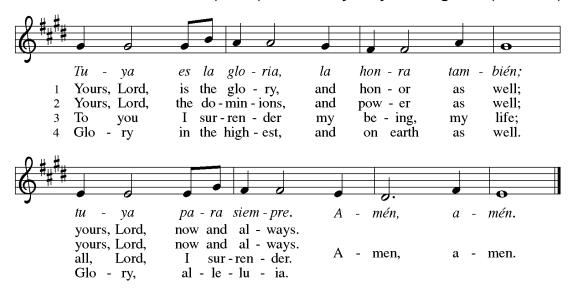
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord. Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: Yours, Lord, Is the Glory: Tuya es la gloria (ELW 849)



WORD

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

THE WORD: 1 Peter 2:1-10

 1 Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. 2 Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation - 3 if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable

to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner, and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. ⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Word of God, word of life.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD: Siciliano, J.S. Bach (jazz arr.)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: Built on a Rock (ELW 652)



- 1 Built on a rock the church shall stand, e ven when stee ples are 2 Sure ly, in tem ples made with hands God the Most High is not
- 3 Christ builds a house of liv ing stones: we are his own hab i -
- 4 Yet in this house, an earth ly frame, Je sus the chil dren is
- 5 Through all the pass ing years, O Lord, grant that, when church bells are



fall - ing; dwell - ing ta - tion; bless - ing;

ing,

ring -

crum-bled have spires in ev - 'ry land, bells still are high in the heav'ns his tem - ple stands, all earth - ly he fills our hearts, his hum - ble thrones, grant - ing us hith - er we come to praise his name, faith in our man - y may come to hear your Word, who here this



chim-ing and call - ing—call - ing the young and old to rest, call - ing the tem - ples ex - cel - ling. Yet God who dwells in heav'n a - bove deigns to a - life and sal - va - tion. Where two or three will seek his face, he in their Sav - ior con-fess - ing. Je - sus to us his Spir - it sent, mak-ing with prom-ise is bring - ing: "I know my own, my own know me; you, not the



souls of those dis-tressed, bide with us in love, midst will show his grace, us his cov - e - nant, world, my face shall see;

long - ing for life ev - er - last - ing.
mak - ing our bod - ies his tem - ple.
bless-ings up - on them be - stow - ing.
grant - ing his chil-dren the king - dom.
my peace I leave with you. A - men."

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

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Holy One, you bring your people together in worship. Enliven your church. Guide all evangelists, preachers, prophets, and missionaries who seek to share your love through word and deed. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

You provide water for thirsty ground and sunshine to feed hungry plants. Bless all who advocate for healthy forests, unpolluted air, and clean waterways. Inspire all people to show care for the world you have made. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You show no partiality. Increase justice in all nations. Encourage leaders and governments to work with one another for the good of our common world. Especially as we celebrate Labor, unite us in seeking the health, safety, and dignity of all. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You accompany those who are most in need. Shelter all fleeing violence or persecution, protect any who are in danger, and sustain them through uncertain and unstable times. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

You support the work of your disciples. Continue to nurture the leadership and ministries of this congregation. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For whom do the people pray?

You embrace all who have died in the faith and brought them into your glorious presence. We thank you for their example and rejoice in their lives. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence for self-reflection.

God, our provider,

help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, • the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We will not share the peace in a physical fashion, but from a distance. You may hold up your fingers in the peace sign, or bow with your hands folded or hold your hand of your heart.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING: We will not pass the offering plate. When you come forward for Holy Communion you may place your offering and your communion card in the plate on your way back to the pew.

The offering of flowers is given to the glory of God by Ann and Dan Bormann in honor of their 52nd wedding anniversary on September 7th.

OFFERTORY: Come to the Table (ELW 481)



Come to the ta-ble of mer-cy, pre-pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun-gry and thirst-y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re-ceive from his nail-scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal-va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. 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, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation, the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world, you sent your Son to heal our ills and to form us again into one.

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 acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son.

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

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

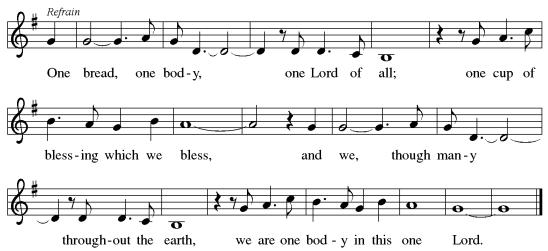
Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

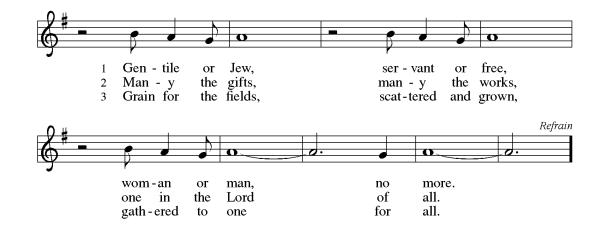
COMMUNION

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

The table has been prepared following health guidelines and will be shared by servers who will be masked and who have sanitized their hands.

COMMUNION HYMN: One Bread, One Body (ELW 496)





PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, Bread of life we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, • be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

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SENDING SONG: The Lord Now Sends Us Forth: Enviado soy de Dios (ELW 538)



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Allegro, attr. to L. da Vinci

IN OUR PRAYERS

Our Ministry Partners:

Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services, Lutheran Counseling Network, Lutheran World Relief and Norhwest Washington Synod.

Those living with cancer:

Juanita (Bonnie & Bob Ahlstedt's sister-in-law), Rob (Bob Ahlstedt's cousin), Gary (Ho Brown's friend), Juanita (Bonnie & Bob Ahlstedt's sister-in-law), Rob (Bob Ahlstedt's cousin), Gary (Ho Brown's friend), Marianne (Emily Curcio's friend), MaryBeth (Kathy Chester's Friend), Dan (Paula Glandon's brother-in-law), Edith Holbrook (member), Jan (Christy Frerik's aunt), Rich (Mark Hatlen's friend), Tracee (Bonnie Ahlstedt's friend), Evelyn (Marilyn Iverson's friend), Bonita (Kathy Chester's friend), Richard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Janette (Beth Phelps' cousin), Kory (Beth Phelps' friend), Norman Ray (member), 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), Karen (Nora Strothman's cousin), Phil (Kris Smith's friend), Connie Wolter (member).

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

Kurt (Stephanie Almeida's father), Paul Anderson (member), Judy (Judy Richards' friend), Rene Baker (member), Donna Benfield (member), Susan (Bob Berg's cousin), Dick (Del Benson's friend), John (Ho Brown's brother-in-law), Nancy Davis (member), Katie (Katie Pyne's friend), John (Sue Toyoda's brother-in-law), Anthony (Trevor Coble's friend), Carol Jo (Joan and Carl Christian's granddaughter), Rose (Nora Strothman's friend), Ruby (Christy Freriks' grandmother), Brian Hepler (Tamara McIntyre's partner), Steve Hofer (Del Benson's friend), Axton (Vicki & Kevin Kastning's grandson), Jeff (Kris & Ken Smith's friend), Karen Johnson (member), Jim (Marilyn Kay's husband), Kevin Kastning (member), Marilyn & Linford (Karen Thomas' friends), Hildur O'Connor (member), Katie (Hildur O'Connor's daughter), Marlis Pehling (member), John (Valarie Cole's father), Sheila (Valarie Cole's mother), Ron (Beth Phelps' brother), Lola (Bob Berg's aunt), Stephanie (Carlene & Sherm Russell's daughter), Mona Shogren (member), Chris (Walt & Jacquie Stoll's son), Phyllis Watters (member), Darlene (Andrea Faubion's mother).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Marilyn Anderson (member), Paul Anderson (member), Mavis Carlson (member), Marge Gonyea (member), Marlys Helgeland (member), Jane & Roy King (members), Lillian & Lawrence (Leon Romaniuk's parents), Jacquie Stoll (member), Sigrid (Carsten Thode's mother)

Those Serving Our Country:

AIR FORCE: Mason Land (Debbie & Darryl Lageson's nephew) and Erin Siebert (Linda & Joe Siebert's daughter)

ARMY: Lucas Peters (Jim & Vernita Steege's grandson), Asis Montalvo (Adjorlolo family friend), Ben Souriall (Stacy & Mike Souriall's son)

MARINES: Olav Wampler (Elizabeth & Randall Wampler's son)

NAVY: Kelsey Schunk (Jack Schunk's granddaughter) & 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.



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

September 12, 2021 Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Genesis 1:1-2:4a Creation by the Word

Weekly Financial Report

August 29, 2021 Attendance: 112 in person; 32 Zoom screens
August 29 General Offerings: \$427 Capital Improvement: \$6,857
General Offerings Needed Each Week: \$10,735

INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, September 5 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Worship

1:00 pm Barbara Johnseine Memorial Service

Monday, September 6

Labor Day—Church Office Closed

Tuesday, September 7

9:00 am Lectionary

3:30 pm Weekly News Submission Deadline

6:00 pm Property Committee

7:00 pm IT/Communications Committee

Social Ministries Committee

Wednesday, September 8

Thursday, September 9

9:00 am FLC Quilters

7:00 pm Gamblers Anonymous (outside group)

Friday, September 10 Church Office Closed Pastor Berg's Sabbath

Saturday, September 11

9:30 am Sanctuary Choir Mini-Retreat

Sunday, September 12 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Rally Day! Welcome Back! 8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Christian Education for All!

11:00 am Worship