October 23, 2022 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM





FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

STATEMENT OF WEICOME

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 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. If you desire the nursery ask an usher for directions.
- + If you would like to have a digital copy of the bulletin, go to our website and download the PDF. www.flcbothell.org
- + Public WiFi: FLC Wireless Password: MartyLuther

Assisting With Today's Service:

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

Greeter	Roger Wolter	Sound Tech	Gary Curtis
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Acolyte	Noah Berg	Pew Angel	Marcus Hodges

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE: Prelude (C. Franck)

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG: Blessed Assurance (ELW 638)



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood. an - gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love. watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

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



CANTICLE OF PRAISE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

ANTHEM: How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place (J. Purifoy)

WORD

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

PSALM: Psalm 84:1-7

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.

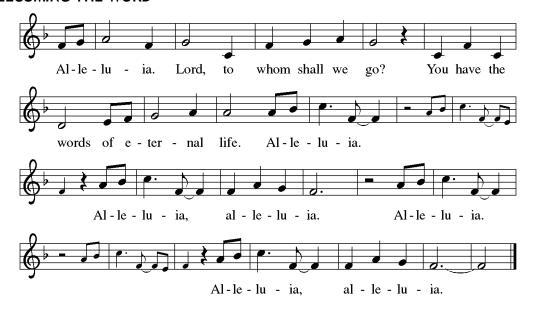
⁵Happy are the people whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

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.

WELCOMING THE WORD



THE WORD: Sirach 35:12-17

Give to the Most High as he has given to you, and as generously as you can afford. For the Lord is the one who repays, and he will repay you sevenfold. Do not offer him a bribe, for he will not accept it; and do not rely on a dishonest sacrifice; for the Lord is the judge, and with him there is no partiality. He will not show partiality to the poor; but he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged. He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan, or the widow when she pours out her complaint.

Word of God. word of life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

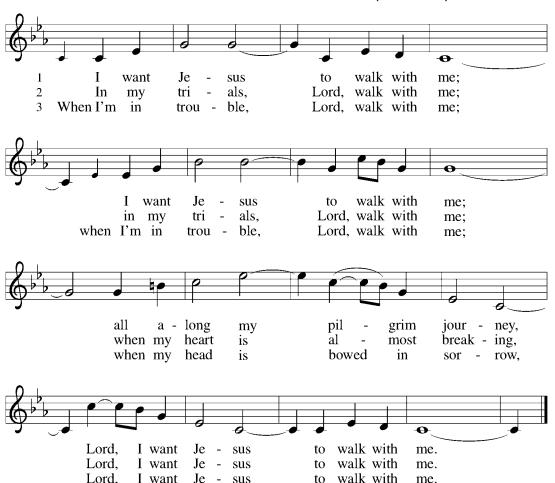
HYMN OF THE DAY: I Want Jesus to Walk with Me (ELW 325)

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me.



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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

God of mercy, you are in the midst of us and we are called by your name. Inspire your church to serve and love all people with the unceasing grace you extend to us. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of all creation, you formed a world where even the sparrow finds a home. Preserve the beauty and diversity of all creatures with whom we share the earth. Lead us to protect all living things. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of peace, you are an ever-present help in time of trouble. Rescue families and nations torn apart by violence and warfare. Unite all people toward common goals of reconciliation and peace for every person. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of hope, you stand with the suffering and give strength. Comfort your people filled with fear or anger, anxiety or shame. Bring healing to all who are sick in body, mind, or spirit. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of restoration, you call us to trust in you and not ourselves alone. Make this congregation a community of humility and repentance, ready to encounter you in love and follow in your ways. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For whom do the people pray?

God of eternal life, to you be the glory forever. We give you thanks for all who have fought the good fight, finished the race, kept the faith, and now live with you. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence for self-reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,

we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

PFACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY: I Want Jesus to Walk With Me (S. White)

OFFERING: Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful (ELW 182)



bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

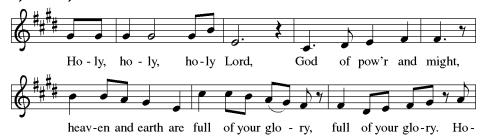
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

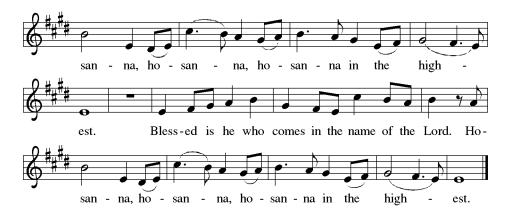
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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, 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.

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 trialand deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

COMMUNION INSTRUCTION: 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.

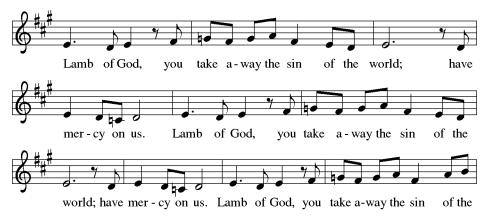
WHO MAY COMMUNE? All are welcome at the Lord's Table. It is a free gift given to all for the forgiveness of sins. The words "for you" really mean FOR YOU! Children may commune at the discretion of their parents. If you wish to receive a blessing: cross your arms over your chest as a sign for the communion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

COMMUNION

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

LAMB OF GOD





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



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUILT BLESSING

BLESSING

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

Amen.

SENDING SONG: Shall We Gather at the River (ELW 423)



- 1 Shall we gath er at the riv er, where bright an gel feet have trod,
- 2 On the mar-gin of the riv-er, wash-ing up its sil-ver spray,
- 3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv er, lay we ev 'ry bur den down;
- 4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



with its crys-tal tide for - ev - er flow-ing by the throne of God? we will walk and wor-ship ev - er, all the hap-py gold - en day. grace our spir-its will de-liv - er, and pro-vide a robe and crown. soon our hap-py hearts will quiv - er with the mel-o - dy of peace.



Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv-er, the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv-er;



gath-er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Cornet Voluntary (G. Berg)

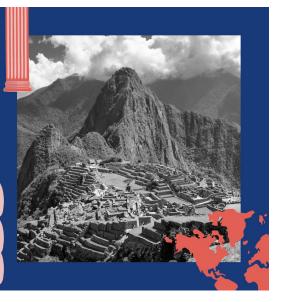
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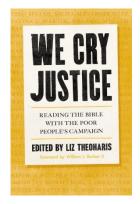


October 9, 16, 23, 30 10am

Paul's Letter to the Romans

WE WILL TAKE FOUR WEEKS TO LOOK AT PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS. WE WILL LOOK AT WHAT IS GOING ON BEHIND THE TEXT, WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE TEXT AND REFLECT ON WHAT WE BRING TO THE TEXT.





WE CRY JUSTICE 3-Week Journey Class Series Sunday, October 23 and 30, 5 - 7 PM.

Introducing the book, We Cry Justice: Reading the Bible with the Poor Peoples Campaign, edited by the Rev. Dr. Liz Theoharis. First Lutheran Church member, Kendahl Adjorlolo and Deren Kellogg of the Seattle Mennonite Church will lead our discussions by sharing their favorite chapters. Develop with us a new understanding of justice and a call to fight poverty, not the poor.

Dinner will be served!

INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, October 23

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Christian Education

11:00 am Worship 5:00 pm Journey Class

Monday, October 24

9:00 am 4 Year Old Preschool

12:00 pm Staff Meeting

12:15 pm 4 & 5 Year Old Preschool

Tuesday, October 25

9:00 am 4 Year Old Preschool 9:15 am Preschool Chapel

9:30 am Lectionary

12:15 am 4 & 5 Year Old Preschool

12;30 pm Preschool Chapel

3:30 pm Weekly News Submission Deadline

7:00 pm Book Club

Wednesday, October 26

9:00 am 4 Year Old Preschool 10:00 am Peace by Piece Sewing 12:15 pm 4 & 5 Year Old Preschool 5:00 pm Preschool Open House

Thursday, October 27

9:00 am 3 Year Old Preschool

Quilters

9:15 am Preschool Chapel

12:15 pm 4 & 5 Year Old Preschool 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 28 Church Office Closed

9:00 am 3 Year Old Preschool

Saturday, October 29

Sunday, October 30

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Christian Education

11:00 am5:00 pm

Worship
Journey Class

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In Our Prayers

Prayers of sympathy for Jane King and family in the death of her husband, Roy King on Thursday, October 13.

Our Ministry Partners:

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

Those living with cancer:

Juanita (Bonnie Ahlstedt's sister-in-law), Mark (Dick Boyce' son), Jocelyn Carberry (Kristin and Ken Smith's friend), Marianne (Emily Curcio's friend), Dan (Paula Glandon's brother-in-law), Edith Holbrook (member), Tracee (Bonnie Ahlstedt's friend), Jessica Hockstedler (member), Dana (Barb & Tim Thieme's friend), Evelyn (Marilyn Iverson's friend), Bonita (Kathy Chester's friend), 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), Darlene (Andrea Faubion's mother).

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

Bonnie Ahlstedt (member), Jay Arndtson (member), Kurt (Stephanie Almeida's father), Don (Almeida family friend), Kathy (Almeida family friend, Jenny Ashford (Debbie & Darryl Lageson's daughter), Judy (Judy Richards' friend), Rene Baker (member), Susan (Bob Berg's cousin), Leanne (Krista Daniel's sister), Rose (Ho Brown's sister), Elizabeth (Jane King's friend), Nancy Davis (member), Cathy (Paul Desilet's mother), Carol Jo (Joan and Carl Christian's granddaughter), Ruby (Christy Freriks' grandmother), Rachael (Stephanie Almeida's friend), Steve (Del Benson's friend), Mark Hatlen (member), Axton (Vicki & Kevin Kastning's grandson), Jana (Renee & Mike Markert's friend), Emma (Leon Romaniuk's daughter), Andy (Vicki Shanks' friend), Donnabel (Derrick StaRosa's sister), Hildur O'Connor (member), Lola (Bob Berg's aunt), Sandy Sailand (member), Pat Schjelland (member), Tracy (Linda Siebert's friend), Mona Shogren (member), Christopher (Karen & Ray Thomas' friend).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Valerie (Kendahl Adjorlolo's cousin), Mavis Carlson (member), Marge Gonyea (member), Marlys Helgeland (member), Jane King (members), Greta Nelson (member), 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:

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

NAVY: Christopher Whipple (Carolyn Whipple's son)

October 30, 2022 Reformation Sunday
Psalm 46; Romans 3:19-28 Justified by Grace

Weekly Financial Report

October 16, 2022 Attendance: in person: 113 Zoom: 32 October 16, 2022 General Offerings: Capital Improvement:

General Offerings Needed Each Week: \$10,939

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:

