

October 3, 2021
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
8:30 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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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 narthex with soft toys and books.
- + If you would like to have a digital copy of the bulletin, go to our website and download

Assisting With Today’s Service:

Presiding: Rev. Tor K. Berg
Music Director: Lucy Kay Osborne
Ensemble Leader: Richard Edmonds
11:00 am Pianist: June Condra
Children’s Message: Roger Steinke

Greeter	Roger Wolter	Sound Tech	Ann Bormann
Ushers	Ryan Stute	Camera Tech	Carsten Thode
Lector	Ginny Conricode	Communion Assistants	David Berg
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GATHERING

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

PRELUDE: Picardy (D. Wood)

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG: All Creatures, Worship God Most High! (ELW 835)



- 1 All crea-tures, wor-ship God most high! Sound ev-'ry voice in earth and
- 2 Sing, broth-er wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and
- 3 Sing, broth-er fire, so mirth-ful, strong; drive far the shad-ows, join the
- 6 O sist-er, broth-ers, take your part, and wor-ship God with hum-ble



sky: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Sing, broth-er sun, in splen-dor
grain: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Dear sis-ter wa-ter, use-ful,
throng: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Dear moth-er earth, so rich in
heart: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! All crea-tures, bless the Fath-er



bright; sing, sis-ter moon and stars of night:
clear, make mu-sic for your Lord to hear: Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-
care, praise God in col-ors bright and rare:
Son and Hol-y Spir-it, Three in one:



lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

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.

Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: *Lord, Be Glorified* (ELW 744)



1 In my life, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;
2 In our song, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;
3 In your church, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;
4 In your world, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;



in my life, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
in our song, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
in your church, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
in your world, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.

WORD

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

THE WORD: Exodus 2:23-25;3:1-5;4:1-17

²³After a long time the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned under their slavery, and cried out. Out of the slavery their cry for help rose up to God. ²⁴God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. ²⁵God looked upon the Israelites, and God took notice of them.

¹Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God.

²There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. ³Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." ⁴When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground."

¹Then Moses answered, "But suppose they do not believe me or listen to me, but say, 'The LORD did not appear to you.'" ²The LORD said to him, "What is that in your hand?" He said, "A staff." ³And he said, "Throw it on the ground." So he threw the staff on the ground, and it became a snake; and Moses drew back from it.

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, "Reach out your hand, and seize it by the tail" — so he reached out his hand and grasped it, and it became a staff in his hand — ⁵so that they may believe that the LORD, the God of their ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has appeared to you.

⁶Again, the LORD said to him, "Put your hand inside your cloak." He put his hand into his cloak; and when he took it out, his hand was leprous, as white as snow.

⁷Then God said, "Put your hand back into your cloak" — so he put his hand back into his cloak, and when he took it out, it was restored like the rest of his body —

⁸If they will not believe you or heed the first sign, they may believe the second sign. ⁹If they will not believe even these two signs or heed you, you shall take some water from the Nile and pour it on the dry ground; and the water that you shall take from the Nile will become blood on the dry ground."

¹⁰But Moses said to the LORD, "O my LORD, I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor even now that you have spoken to your servant; but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue." ¹¹Then the LORD said to him, "Who gives speech to mortals? Who makes them mute or deaf, seeing or blind? Is it not I, the LORD?"

¹²Now go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you are to speak."

¹³But he said, "O my LORD, please send someone else." ¹⁴Then the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses and he said, "What of your brother Aaron the Levite? I know that he can speak fluently; even now he is coming out to meet you, and when he sees you his heart will be glad. ¹⁵You shall speak to him and put the words in his mouth; and I will be with your mouth and with his mouth, and will teach you what you shall do. ¹⁶He indeed shall speak for you to the people; he shall serve as a mouth for you, and you shall serve as God for him. ¹⁷Take in your hand this staff, with which you shall perform the signs."

Word of God,
word of life.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD:

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: *In the Desert, on God's Mountain* (OBS 66)



1 In the des - ert, on God's moun - tain, Mo - ses saw the
 2 On Mount Ho - reb Mo - ses halt - ed, stood un - shod on
 3 "I AM THAT I AM have called you," spoke the in - can -
 4 Mo - ses hid his face in ter - ror, of - fered his ob -
 5 Lat - er in the wild of Si - nai, from an - oth - er
 6 Far from des - erts, far from moun - tains, years a bound hu -



bush a - flame, won - dered at the fi - ry
 ho - ly ground, felt the puls - ing of God's
 des - cent voice. Mo - ses felt the mes - sage
 jec - tions four: doubt of worth and doubt of
 moun - tain height, bring - ing prom - ise to his
 man - i - ty. Filled with fire of ho - ly



fo - liage, heard the crack - ling call his name.
 pres - ence, sensed the ho - li - ness a - round.
 scar - ing, to the heart of will and choice.
 tal - ent, lack of trust and lack of lore.
 peo - ple, Mo - ses shone with God's own light.
 ground - ing, burn - ing bush - es may we be,



May we no - tice bush - es burn - ing;
 May we stop a - mid life's la - bor;
 May we pause to an - swer sum - mons;
 May we set a - side ex - cus - es;
 May we, not con - sumed, yet burn - ing,
 draw - ing all to God's bright pres - ence—



may we won - der at the flame.
 may we hon - or ho - ly ground.
 may we hear God's burn - ing voice.
 may we take the task be - fore.
 guide all to the moun - tain height.
 bea - cons of di - vin - i - ty.

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

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

Holy One, you have raised up faithful leaders throughout history. Empower those discerning a call to ministry and all seminarians, that they continue to be formed for the sake of the gospel. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You have established a diverse and beautiful creation. Revive declining species and preserve endangered lands. We especially lift up the Orca and the Salmon. Cultivate in us a sense of wonder for the world you created. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You desire for us not to be alone and to live in community with one another. Strengthen relationships between nations and peoples, that we celebrate and support one human family. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You share in our experiences and struggles. Bless all who live with any mental or physical disability. Inspire creative communities, spaces, and environments that are accessible and hospitable. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You have established and nurtured relationships that extend beyond those gathered here today. Bless members who can no longer travel to worship with us especially Paul, Marilyn, Larry, Sherrill, Joanne, Mavis, Geri, Gary, Janelle,

Nancy, Arlene, Catherine, Arthur, Marjorie, Marlys, Richard, Shirley, Roy, Jane, Aileen, Bobbi, Goodie, Jack, Sherman, Carlene, Jackie, Jerry, Bob, Phyllis, and remind us of their continued role in this community of faith. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

For whom do the people pray?

You promise eternal life to all your children. Thank you for the people of faith who have gone before us. Strengthen our trust we have in you. 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

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence for self-reflection.

God our comforter:

like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in  Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

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 over 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 located in front of the Baptismal Font.*

OFFERING: Give Thanks (W&P 41)



Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,



give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.



Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,



give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.



And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am



rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And



now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am



rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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 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 trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.

COMMUNION

For those in the Sanctuary: We will receive the body of Christ in the form of wheat bread (or if you desire gluten free please let your server know) 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*.

For those you at home: We hope you have prepared your own table. You may commune at anytime remembering to use the words in *italic* below.

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.

COMMUNION SONG: *O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts* (ELW 658)



1 O Je - sus, joy of lov - ing hearts, the fount of
2 We taste you, ev - er - liv - ing bread, and long to
3 For you our rest - less spir - its yearn, wher - e'er our
4 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay! Make all our



life, the light of all: from ev - 'ry bliss that earth im -
feast up - on you still; we drink of you, the foun - tain -
chang - ing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you
mo - ments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin a -



parts we turn, un - filled, to hear your call.
head; our thirst - ing souls from you we fill.
turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.
way! Shed o'er the world your ho - ly light.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world.

The holy Trinity, ✠ one God, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG: *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing* (ELW 545)



1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless-ing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's joy - ful sound.
3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us from our strug - gling pil - grim way,



let us each, your love pos - sess-ing, tri - umph in re - deem-ing grace.
May the fruits of your sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound.
let no fear of death ap - pall us, glad your sum - mons to o - bey.



Oh, re - fresh us; oh, re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
Ev - er faith - ful, ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.
May we ev - er, may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: *Flute Piece* (Wm. Hine)

October 10, 2021 Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
Exodus 2:23-25; 3:1-15; 4:1-17 God's Name: I am

Weekly Financial Report

September 26, 2021 Attendance: 102 in person; 40 Zoom screens

September 26, 2021 General Offerings: \$7,857 Capital Improvement: \$935

General Offerings Needed Each Week: \$10,735

IN OUR PRAYERS

Prayers of sympathy for Bob Watters and family in the death of his wife, Phyllis on September 29.

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 & Bob Ahlstedt's sister-in-law), **Duwayne** (Betty Magee's brother), **Everett** (Betty Magee's brother), **Marianne** (Emily Curcio's friend), **MaryBeth** (Kathy Chester's Friend), **Dan** (Paula Glandon's brother-in-law), **Edith Holbrook** (member), **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), **Dan** (Jane King's 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), **Derrick** (Holly Batstone'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** (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), **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), **Matty** (Pyne family friend), **Lola** (Bob Berg's aunt), **Stephanie** (Carlene & Sherm Russell's daughter), **Mona Shogren** (member), **Chris** (Walt & Jacquie Stoll's son), **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), **Bob Watters** (member).

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.

INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, October 3 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am **Worship**
9:45 am Christian Education for All!
11:00 am **Worship**
12:30 pm Animal Blessing

Monday, October 4

9:00 am 4 Year Old Preschool
12:00 pm Staff Meeting
12:15 pm 4 & 5 Year Old Preschool
2:30 pm Piano Tuning

Tuesday, October 5

9:00 am Lectionary
 4 Year Old Preschool

12:15 pm 4 & 5 Year Old Preschool
3:30 pm Weekly News Submission Deadline
6:00 pm Building & Property Committee
7:00 pm IT/Communications Committee
 Social Ministries Committee

Wednesday, October 6

9:00 am 4 Year Old Preschool
12:15 am 4 & 5 Year Old Preschool
2:30 pm Piano Tuning

Thursday, October 7

9:00 am FLC Quilters
 3 Year Old Preschool

12:15 pm 5 Year Old Preschool
7:00 pm Gamblers Anonymous (outside group)

Friday, October 8

Church Office Closed
Pastor Berg's Sabbath
9:00 am 3 Year Old Preschool

Saturday, October 9

9:00 am ACA (Outside group)

Sunday, October 10 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am **Worship**
9:45 am Christian Education for All!
11:00 am **Worship**