July 31, 2022 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 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 place in the offering plate with your |
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| | 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 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 Leader: Richard Edmonds Children's Sermon: Roger Steinke

| Greeter | Kendahl Adjorlolo | Sound Tech | Kevin Prather |
|---------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Ushers | Lloyd Condra Dave Richards | Communion Assistants | Christy Freriks Andrea Peoples |
| Lector | Jeff Almeida | Camera Tech | Carsten Thode |
| Acolyte | Thorin Freriks | Pew Angel | Marcus Hodges |

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE: Suite in D Major (Att. to L. da Vinci)

WELCOME

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I am mindful that as we gather here, we are on the historic lands of the Coastal Salish peoples. May we honor the people of this land. May we remember that the oppression of Native peoples is not a relic of the past but continues today. And may we, through God's Spirit, repent and walk forward together, changing systems that discriminate as we live into authentic diversity and healing.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Water! Water! We praise you, O God, for water—the Sammamish River, Lake Washington, and the Salish Sea, the rain that nourishes animals and plants, the water for drinking and bathing.

We praise you, O God, for water.

We praise you, O God, for our water stories—a flood that cleansed the earth, the sea that drowned the enemy, a river that healed leprosy. We praise you, O God, for water.

We remember the waters of Jesus-baptized in the Jordan River, calming the Sea of Galilee, drinking from Jacob's Well, healing at the pool of Bethesda, washing the disciples' feet.

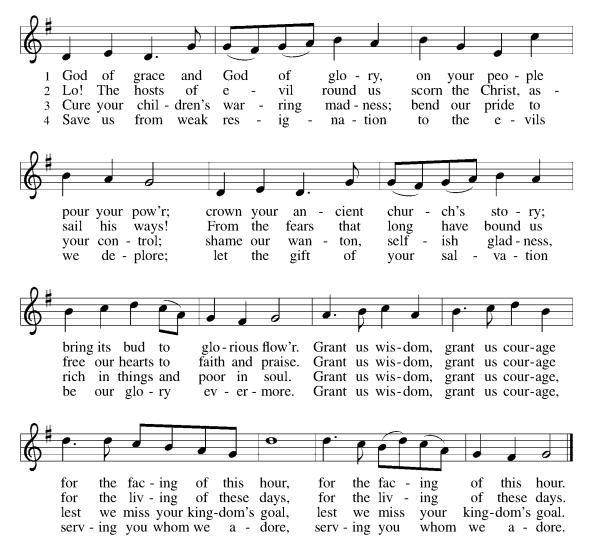
We praise you, O God, for water.

We praise you, O God, for this font, for through this water you have birthed us into the family of Christ, bathed us in forgiveness, and enlivened us in the Spirit.

We praise you, O God, for baptism.

O God, you are the Ocean, sustaining this earth. O God, you are the River, saving us from death. O God, you are the Fountain, granting us health and well-being. We praise you, O God, today, tomorrow, forever. Amen, and amen.

GATHERING SONG: God of Grace and God of Glory (ELW 705)



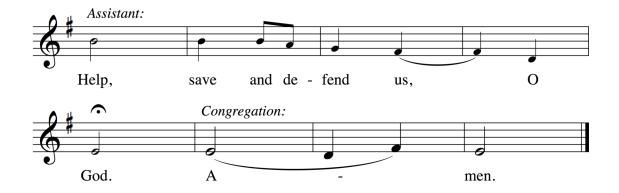
GREETING

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.



Assistant: For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all . . . (to Refrain)

Assistant: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word . . . (to Refrain)



CANTICLE OF PRAISE: Now the Feast and Celebration



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

ANTHEM: My Life Is in You, Lord (Daniel Gardner)

WORD

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

Psalm 49:1-12

Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all inhabitants of the world, both low and high, rich and poor together.

My mouth shall speak wisdom; the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.

I will incline my ear to a proverb; I will solve my riddle to the music of the harp. Why should I fear in times of trouble, when the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds me, those who trust in their wealth and boast of the abundance of their riches?

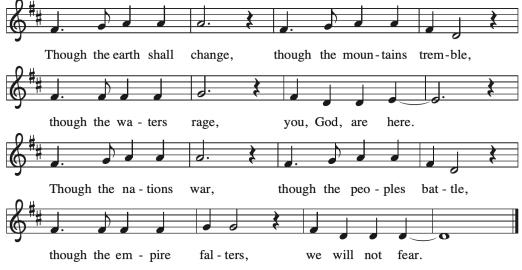
Truly, no ransom avails for one's life, there is no price one can give to God for it. For the ransom of life is costly, and can never suffice, that one should live on forever and never see the grave.

When we look at the wise, they die; fool and dolt perish together and leave their wealth to others.

Their graves are their homes forever, their dwelling places to all generations, though they named lands their own.

Mortals cannot abide in their pomp; they are like the animals that perish.

WELCOMING THE WORD: Though the Earth Shall Change (ACS 1035)



THE WORD: Luke 12:13-21

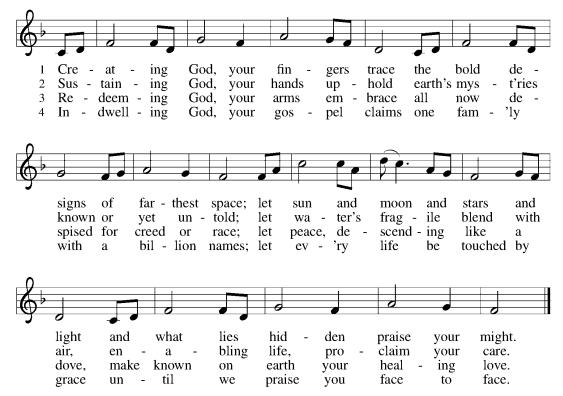
¹³Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." ¹⁴But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." ¹⁶Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' ¹⁸Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' ²⁰But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

Word of God Word of life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: Creating God, Your Fingers Trace (ELW 684)



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

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

O God, you are wholeness. Where there is division in your church, bring reconciliation and healing. Guide the work of theologians, Sunday school teachers, seminary professors, and all who provide instruction for the building up of your church. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

O God, you are the source of all life. Where creation cries out in distress, bring relief and renewal. Bless farmers, ranchers, distributors, and all who provide our food. Nourish the land and all its habitants. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

O God, you are wisdom. Where nations and communities yearn for peace, bring justice. Strengthen those who toil for the welfare of others, especially military personnel, police, first responders, and activists, and for the healing of the nations. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

O God, you are life. Where your people are overwhelmed with the busyness of life, bring encouragement. Accompany all who experience emotional, mental, or physical distress. Renew us at your table of mercy. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

O God, you are our treasure. Where scarcity and anxiety pervade your church, bring abundance and vitality. Guide the work of church councils and committees and give them clarity for the work of ministry in this place. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

For whom do the people pray?

O God, you are resurrection. We give you thanks for all your saints, especially Art Flanik. Inspire us by their example of faithful living to set our minds on things above and to be rich in love toward you. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom. **Amen.**

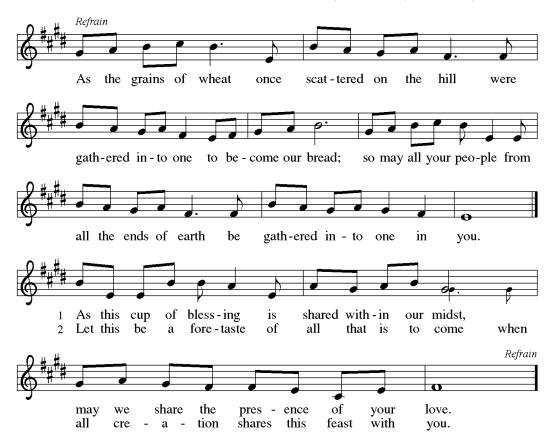
PEACE

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

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY: Largo, J. Travers

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: As the Grains of Wheat (ELW 465)



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. 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, living, and loving God, we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth.

We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood, for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery, and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

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-giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup: carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of 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

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,

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

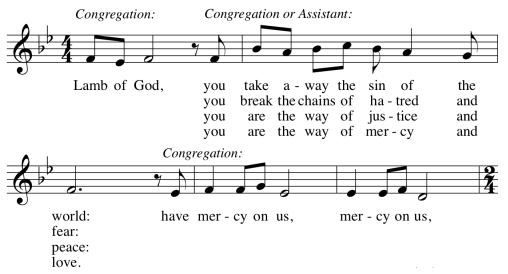
In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

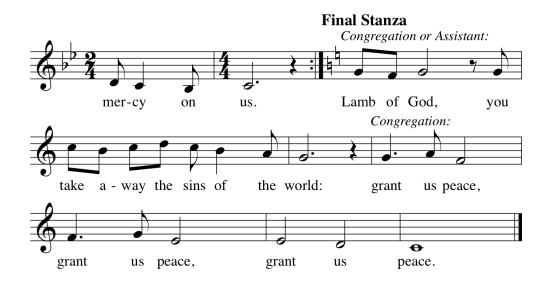
COMMUNION: We will receive the body of Christ as bread with these or similar words: The body of Christ, given for you. If you desire, a gluten-free option is available. The blood of Christ will be received as either red wine or white grape juice with these or similar words: The blood of Christ, shed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

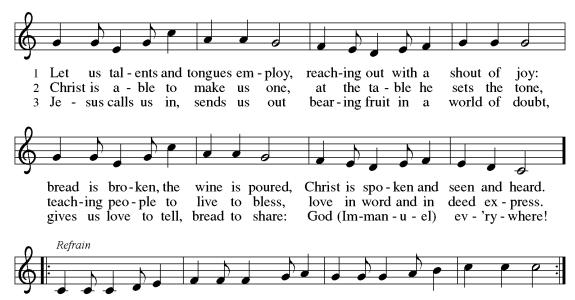
DIRECTIONS FOR COMMUNION: Please come forward by the center aisle at the direction of the ushers to receive the sacrament and return to your seat down the side aisle. Please register each person taking communion on a pew card.

LAMB OF GOD





COMMUNION HYMNS Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ (ELW 674)



Je-sus lives a-gain, earth can breathe a-gain, pass the Word a-round: loaves a - bound!

One Bread, One Body (ELW 496)



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.

Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The God of peace, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG: Let All Things Now Living (ELW 881)



DISMISSAL Go in peace. Love your neighbor. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Fugue in D (G. F. Handel)





LEARNING CORNER

Pastor Berg found this book very helpful in understanding the importance of honoring Juneteenth. It is also a personal reflection from someone for whom this was a part of her history and why she decided to study history.

On Juneteenth, by Annette Gordon-Reed.

Annette Gordon-Reed is a professor of law at New York Law School and a professor of history at Rutgers University. She lives in New York City.

IN OUR PRAYERS

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), MaryBeth (Kathy Chester'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:

Valerie (Kendahl Adjorlolo's cousin), Tom Agnew (member), Bonnie Ahlstedt (member), Jay Arndtson (member), Kurt (Stephanie Almeida's father), Judy (Judy Richards' friend), Rene Baker (member), Donna Benfield (member), Susan (Bob Berg's cousin), Nancy Davis (member), Carol Jo (Joan and Carl Christian's granddaughter), Judy (Kristin Smith's aunt), Ruby (Christy Freriks' grandmother), Rachael (Stephanie Almeida's friend), Steve (Del Benson's friend), Axton (Vicki & Kevin Kastning's grandson), Kevin Kastning (member), Donnabel (Derrick StaRosa's sister), Greta Nelson (member), Hildur O'Connor (member), Lola (Bob Berg's aunt), Sandy Sailand (member), Mona Shogren (member).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

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:

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

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

August 7, 2022 Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

Psalm 33; Luke 12:13-21 The Creed - Creation w/Jacky Schnarre

Weekly Financial Report

July 24, 2022 Attendance: in person: 87 Zoom: 35

July 24, 2022 General Offerings: \$8,187 Capital Improvement: \$991 General Offerings Needed Each Week: \$10,939

INFORMATION For the Week!

<u>Sunday, July 31</u> 9:30 am

1:00 pm

Worship

Youth Mission Trip to Lutherhaven

Monday, August 1

Youth at Camp Lutherhaven 12:00 pm Staff Meeting

<u>Tuesday, August 2</u>

Youth at Camp Lutherhaven9:00 amLectionary6:00 pmBuilding & Property Committee7:00 pmCommunications/IT CommitteeSocial Ministries Committee

Wednesday, August 3

Youth at Camp Lutherhaven

Thursday, August 4

9:00 am Quilters 2:00 pm Jim Kay Memorial Service

<u>Friday, August 5</u>

5:00 pm Youth Mission Trip Returns!

Saturday, August 6

| 9:00 am | Altar Guild | |
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| | Garden Guild | |

Sunday, August 7

9:30 am Worship

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:

