October 24, 2021 Twenty-second 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 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: 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	Paul Desilet, Jr.	Sound Tech	Terry Barker
Ushers	Allen Glenn Dave Richards	Communion Assistants	Donna Hillard Andrea Peoples
Lector	Marlis Pehling	Camera Tech	Roger Wolter
Acolyte	Thorin Freriks	Pew Angel	Marcus Hodges

GATHERING

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

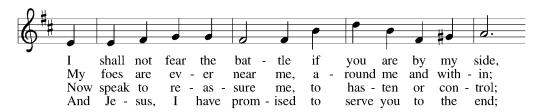
PRELUDE: My God, How Wonderful Thou Art, M. Sedio

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG: O Jesus, I Have Promised (ELW 810)









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.

We pray this day, dear Lord, that you send us leaders that follow your ways. Let us not be distracted by the shiny and the strong but seek out those who have hearts for the poor and the marginalized. Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: We Are Called (ELW 720)



WORD

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

THE WORD: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

¹The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons."

²Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me."

And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' ³Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you."

⁴Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?"

⁵He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

⁶When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is now before the LORD." ⁷But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart."

⁸Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." ⁹Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." ¹⁰Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these."

¹¹Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?"

And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep."

And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." ¹²He sent and brought him in.

Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one."

¹³Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Word of God, word of life.

SERMON

RESPONSE TO THE WORD: Siciliano, J. S. Bach, Jazz Arr. A. Ryerson CHILDREN'S SERMON/LWR BLESSING

HYMN OF THE DAY: Will You Come and Follow Me: The Summons (ELW 798)



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

Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.

Risen One, we give you thanks for congregations and ministries throughout the world that serve as centers of prayer and action. Empower missionaries, teachers, healers, evangelists, and all who are sent to share your song of joy. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Holy One, we give you thanks for generous land that produces abundant harvests. Strengthen and protect all soils, from rooftop gardens to prairie farmlands, to patio planters to fertile valleys, and bless all who lovingly tend them. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Ruling One, we give you thanks for leaders of nations who work to build up the common good. Strengthen efforts of reconciliation among all nations especially Ethiopia, Iraq and Iran, Afghanistan, Russia and the European Union, The United States and China, that peace extends in every direction. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Healing One, we give you thanks for all who labor for the health of others. Comfort and strengthen all who struggle with chronic pain. Send healing and relief to all who are sick. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Providing One, we give you thanks for all who provide for others. Inspire generosity in your people, so that we carry out the work of making disciples of all nations. As we begin our Stewardship Drive we pray that you inspire us to grow our budget so that we can continue to do our mission and ministry here in Bothell. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For whom do the people pray?

Living One, we give you thanks for the saints who have increased our faith. Give us courage to follow in hope until you gather us all around your table of abundance. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life.

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.

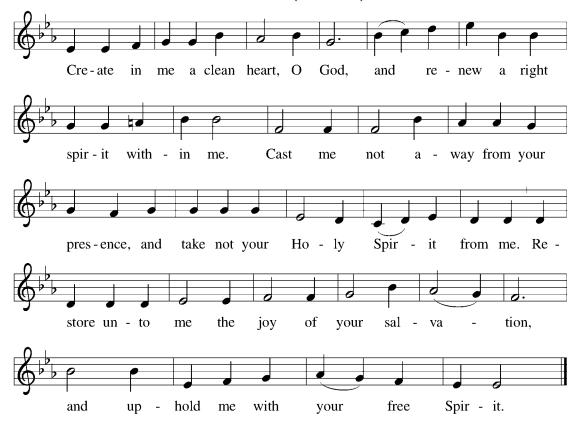
And also with you.

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: Create in Me a Clean Heart (ELW 188)



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 trialand 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: My God, How Wonderful Thou Art (ELW 863)



- 1 My God, how won-der ful thou art, thy maj es ty how bright!
- 2 How won-der-ful, how beau-ti-ful the sight of thee must be—
- 3 No earth ly fa ther loves like thee; no moth er, e'er so mild,
- 4 Yet I may love thee too, O Lord, al might-y as thou art,
- 5 My God, how won-der ful thou art, thou ev er last ing friend!



thy mer - cy seat in depths of burn-ing light! How beau - ti - ful thine end-less wis - dom, bound-less pow'r, and awe-some pu - ri - ty! bears and for - bears thou hast done with me, thy sin - ful child. as thou hast stooped to ask of me the love of my poor heart. On trust - ing heart till faith in vi - sion end. stay my

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: Blessing and Honor (ELW 854)



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Gigue Fugue, D. Buxtehude

IN OUR PRAYERS

Prayers of sympathy for Carolyn Whipple and family in the death of her husband, Richard on October 7

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), 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), Carol Jo (Joan and Carl Christian's granddaughter), Scott Eiler (member), Karen (Scott Eiler's sister), 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), Jim (Marilyn Kay's husband), Kevin Kastning (member), Hildur O'Connor (member), Marlis Pehling (member), John (Valarie Cole's father), Sheila (Valarie Cole's mother), Ron (Beth Phelps'

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).

brother), Lola (Bob Berg's aunt), Sandy Sailand (member), Mona Shogren (member),

Those Serving Our Country:

Darlene (Andrea Faubion's mother).

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 24 Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Christian Education for All!

11:00 am Worship

3:00 pm Zoom Movie Review—News of the World

Monday, October 25

9:00 am 4 Year Old Preschool

12:00 pm Staff Meeting

12:15 pm 4 & 5 Year Old Preschool

Tuesday, October 26

9:00 am Lectionary

4 Year Old Preschool

12:15 pm 4 & 5 Year Old Preschool

3:30 pm Weekly News Submission Deadline

7:00 pm Book Club—Refuge: An Unnatural History of Family & Place

Wednesday, October 27

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

Thursday, October 28

9:00 am FLC Quilters

3 Year Old Preschool

12:15 pm 5 Year Old Preschool

Friday, October 29

Church Office Closed Pastor Berg's Sabbath

9:00 am 3 Year Old Preschool

Saturday, October 30

Sunday, October 31 Reformation Sunday (Wear Red!)

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Christian Education for All!

11:00 am Worship

October 31, 2021 Reformation Sunday

1 Kings 5:1-5; 8:1-13; Psalm 46 God's House for God's People

Weekly Financial Report

October 17, 2021 Attendance: 108 in person; 35 Zoom screens

October 17, 2021 General Offerings: \$9,920 Capital Improvement: \$846

General Offerings Needed Each Week: \$10,735