

February 19, 2023
Transfiguration of Our Lord
11:00 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 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 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 Leader: Richard Edmonds
Piano: June Condra
Children's Message: Roger Steinke

Greeter	Marilyn Iverson	Sound Tech	Gary Curtis
Ushers	Randall Wampler	Communion Assistants	Clint Bastin Marilyn Iverson
Lector	Joe Siebert	Camera Tech	Derrick StaRosa
Acolyte	Brandon & Nathan Coble	Pew Angel	Marcus Hodges

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE:

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Holy One, source of our renewal,

we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Thus says our God: "The former things have come to pass and new things I

now declare." God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of ✠ Christ our Savior.

Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN: *Blessing, Honor, and Glory* (ELW 433)

C Am⁷ G/B C F/A G/B
Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry to the Lamb.

C G/B C/E F Gsus G C/E
Ho - ly, righ - teous, wor - thy is the Lamb.

F Am⁷ G Em⁷ C/E F Am G C²/E
Death could not hold him down, for he is ris - en!

F² Am⁷ G Em⁷ C/E F Dm⁷ Gsus G
Seat - ed up - on the throne, he is the Lamb of God!

God! Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry to the Lamb.
Ho - ly, righ - teous, wor - thy is the Lamb of God.

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.

O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CANTICLE: *Open Our Eyes, Lord* (W&P 113)

O - pen our eyes, Lord; we want to see
Je - sus, to reach out and touch
him, and say that we love him.

O - pen our ears, Lord, and help us to

lis - ten. O - pen our eyes,

Lord, we want to see Je - sus.

ANTHEM: *Come to the Mountain* (Scott & Kathy Tunseth)

WORD

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

PSALM: Psalm 2

¹Why are the nations in an uproar? Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?

²**Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes plot together, against the LORD and against the LORD's anointed?**

³"Let us break their yoke," they say; "let us cast off their bonds from us."

⁴**God whose throne is in heaven is laughing; the LORD holds them in derision.**

⁵Then in wrath God speaks to them, and in rage fills them with terror.

⁶**"As for me, I have anoint- ed my king upon Zion, my holy mountain."**

⁷Let me announce the decree of the LORD, who said to me, "You are my son; this day have I be- gotten you.

⁸**Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance and the ends of the earth for your possession.**

⁹You shall crush them with an iron rod and shatter them like a piece of pottery."

¹⁰**And now, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.**

¹¹Submit to the LORD with fear, and with trembling bow in worship;

¹²**lest the LORD be angry, and you perish in a sudden blaze of wrath. Happy are all who take refuge in God!**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9

¹Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Word of God.

Word of life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

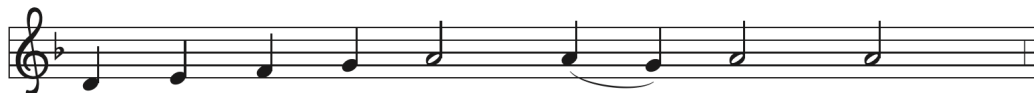
HYMN OF THE DAY: *You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd* (ACS 954)



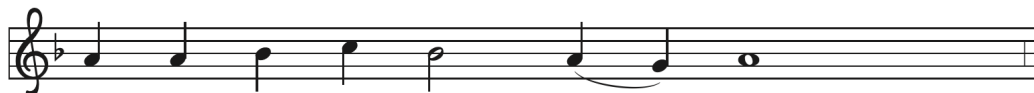
1 You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shep - herd.
 2 Clothed in light up - on the moun - tain,
 3 You, who walk each day be - side us,
 4 Wor - thy is our earth - ly Je - sus!



You, Lord, are both prince and slave.
 stripped of might up - on the cross,
 sit in pow - er at God's side,
 Wor - thy is our cos - mic Christ!



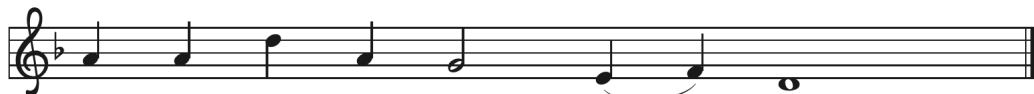
You, peace - mak - er and sword - bring - er
 shin - ing in e - ter - nal glo - ry,
 You, who preach a way that's nar - row,
 Wor - thy your de - feat and vic - t'ry;



of the way you took and gave.
 beg - gared by a sol - dier's toss,
 have a love that reach - es wide.
 wor - thy still your peace and strife.



You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
 you, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
 You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
 You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;



you, whom we both scorn and crave.
 you, who are both gift and cost.
 you, who are our pil - and grim guide.
 you, who are our death and life.

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

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Embolden your church as it witnesses to the majesty and mercy of your Son. Equip lay preachers, deacons, and pastors. Move us to share our stories of your faithfulness and forgiveness; may our lives proclaim your greatness. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Dwell with your whole creation, from the tallest mountain peak to the deepest valley. Bless the work of conservation organizations and protect vital habitats. Support the work of disaster relief agencies around the world. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Guide and give wisdom to all in authority: our mayor and local leaders, our governor and state legislators, our president and national legislators. Bring freedom and justice to all nations. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Give shelter to those lacking safe homes. Spur communities to work for fair housing for all. Protect our neighbors whose dwellings do not keep out dangerous cold or heat; accompany with your touch those who are homebound, sick, or isolated. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Make us eager to receive your Word in scripture. Help us recognize Jesus' voice in the needs of our neighbors; make us confident to follow the way of the cross. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

For whom do the people pray?

Receive our thanksgiving for the holy ones who have guided us in faithfulness and gathered even the unlikely as your people. With our forebears in faith and all who have hoped in you, teach us to wait with courage until the promised day dawns. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.
Amen.

PEACE

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

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING: *The offering of flowers is given to the glory of God by Mona & Dave Shogren in honor of their daughter, Samantha Rismondo's 40th birthday on February 11th, and by Gary Curtis and Derrick StaRosa in honor of Gary's mom, Ruth Curtis' birthday on February 18th.*

OFFERTORY:

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: *For the Wholeness of the Earth* (ACS 1067)



1 We lift this prayer for the whole-ness of the earth. We lift this
2 We turn our lives to the whole-ness of the earth. We turn our
3 Give thanks to God for the whole-ness of the earth. Give thanks to



prayer for the whole-ness of the earth. We lift this prayer for the
lives to the whole-ness of the earth. We turn our lives to the
God for the whole-ness of the earth. Give thanks to God for the



whole-ness of the earth. Can you feel it ris - ing in you?
whole-ness of the earth. Can you feel it spin-ning in you?
whole-ness of the earth. Can you feel it ris - ing in you?

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, 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

Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all. By your powerful word you created all things. Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

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 preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance 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

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

Come and taste the joy of God!

COMMUNION

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

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



☞ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION SONG: *Beautiful Savior* (ELW 838)



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,



Son of God and Son of Man!
 robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;
 bright the spar - kling stars on high;
 Son of God and Son of Man!



Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,



light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you. Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod ✚
bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: *The Lord Now Sends Us Forth* (ELW 538)



En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta es - tá
The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,
pa - ra cons - truir con él un mun - do fra - ter - nal.
to make of all the earth a bet - ter place to live.
Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar
The an - gels are not sent in - to our world of pain
un mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do me - jor;
to do what we were meant to do in Je - sus' name;
me ha to - ca - do a mí ha - cer lo rea - li - dad.
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.
A - yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will to - day.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

Offering Option:

You can scan
this QR code
to donate
online. It's easy!



February 23, 2023 Ash Wednesday

Psalm 51:1-17; Matthew 6:1-21 The Practice of Faith

February 26, 2023 First Sunday in Lent

Psalm 32; Matthew 4:1-11

Weekly Financial Report

February 5, 2023 Attendance In Person: 129 Zoom: 24

February 12, 2023 Attendance in Person: 107 Zoom: 26

February 5, 2023 General Offerings: \$11,456

Capital Improvement: \$1,205

February 12, 2023 General Offerings: \$11,967

Capital Improvement: \$196

General Offerings Needed Each Week: \$10,510

INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, February 19

8:30 am **Worship w/Holy Communion**
9:45 am Christian Education for All Ages!
11:00 am **Worship w/Holy Communion**
12:15 pm FLC Church Council Orientation
3:00 pm Movie Review (on Zoom) - The Burial of Kojo. All are Welcome!

Monday, February 20

Church Office Closed
Presidents' Day

Tuesday, February 21

Roger Vacation
Preschool Midwinter Break
9:30 am Lectionary
3:30 pm Weekly News Submission Deadline
7:00 pm Church Council

Wednesday, February 22

Roger Vacation
Preschool Midwinter Break
10:00 am Peace by Piece Sewing
12 pm Ash Wednesday Worship
7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Worship

Thursday, February 23

Roger Vacation
Preschool Midwinter Break
9 am FLC Quilters
7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Friday, February 24

Church Office Closed
Preschool Midwinter Break

Saturday, February 25

10:00 am CPR/AED Training
1:00 pm Tor Kristiansen Memorial

Sunday, February 26

8:30 am **Worship w/Holy Communion**
9:45 am Sunday School, Confirmation and Committee Fair for Adults!
11:00 am **Worship w/Holy Communion**

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), **Sonja** (Stephanie Almeida's friend), **Mark** (Dick Boyce's son), **Marianne** (Emily Curcio's friend), **Jocelyn Carberry** (Ken & Kristin Smith's friend), **Lisa** (Steve Coble's sister), **Dan** (Paula Glandon's brother-in-law), **Edith Holbrook** (member), **Tracee** (Bonnie Ahlstedt's friend), **Jessica Hockstedler** (member), **Evelyn** (Marilyn Iverson's friend), **Dana** (Barb & Tim Theime's friend), **Michael** (Jeff Kosman's friend), **Jana** (Renee & Mike Markert's friend), **Richard** (Ruth Neitzel's brother), **Linda** (Kristi & Katie Pyne's sister-in-law and aunt), **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), **Chris & family** (Dan & Sandy Hendricks' friends), **Karen** (Nora Strothman's cousin).

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

Bonnie Ahlstedt (member), **Dave and family** (Almeida family friends), **Kurt** (Stephanie Almeida's father), **Don** (Almeida family friend), **Kathy** (Almeida family friend), **Jan Anderson** (member), **Tim** (Beth & Gordy Phelps' friend), **Rene Baker** (member), **Larry Baker** (member), **Del Benson** (member), **Doug** (Ho Brown's brother-in-law), **Susan** (Bob Berg's cousin), **Randy** (Chris Martin's friend), **Leanne** (Krista Daniels' sister), **Elizabeth** (Jane King's friend), **Nancy Davis** (member), **Carol Jo** (Joan and Carl Christian's granddaughter), **Cathy** (Paul Desilet's mother), **Jess Faubion** (member), **Ruby** (Christy Freriks' grandmother), **Rachael** (Stephanie Almeida's friend), **Steve** (Del Benson's friend), **Amy** (Nancy McGee's friend), **Axton** (Vicki & Kevin Kastning's grandson), **Richard Keltner** (member), **Jane King** (member), **Karl Kloster** (member), **Renee Markert** (member), **Albert** (Chris Martin's friend), **Jeanne** (Justin LaFord's mother), **Larry Nelson** (member), **Emma** (Leon Romaniuk's daughter), **Andy** (Vickie Shanks' friend), **Donnabel** (Derrick StaRosa's sister), **Hildur O'Connor** (member), **Lola** (Bob Berg's aunt), **Sandy Sailand** (member), **David Shogren** (member), **Don & Marilyn** (David Shogren's brother and sister-in-law), **Christopher** (Karen & Ray Thomas' friend).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Valerie (Kendahl Adjorlolo's cousin), **Mavis Carlson** (member), **Trudy Eichelsdoerfer** (member), **Marge Gonyea** (member), **Marlys Helgeland** (member), **Jane King** (members), **Greta Nelson** (member), **Lawrence** (Leon Romaniuk's parents), **Jacque 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)

NAVY: **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.

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:



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.