April 27, 2025 Second Sunday Of Easter 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 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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Serving Us In Worship Today

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GATHERING

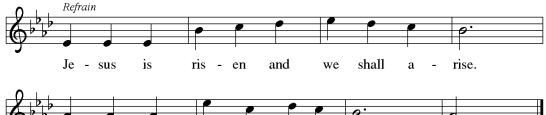
The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE: The Strife is O're (W. Held)

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG: Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen! (ELW 377)





Give God the glo - ry! 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.

Mysterious and Divine Presence, too often our hearts burn within us because our bodies know before our minds that you are here working in us and through us in this world. Open our eyes, and help us to recognize you in all places and in all people, for the sake of the one whose presence is never far, Jesus Christ. Amen.

May 4, 2025—Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 6:1-7:2a, 44-60 The Witness of Stephen

Weekly Financial Report

April 20, 2025 Attendance in Person: 330 Online: 29

April 13, 2025 General Offerings: \$12,982 Capital Improvement: \$562

General Offerings Needed Each Week: \$10,770

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: Glory to God in Heaven



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for ev er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand. For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

WORD

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

PSALM: Psalm 30

- ¹ I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
- ²O LORD my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.
- ³ You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.
- ⁴ Sing praise to the LORD, all you faithful; give thanks in holy remembrance.

- ⁵ God's wrath is short; God's favor lasts a lifetime. Weeping spends the night, but joy comes in the morning.
- ⁶ While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.
- ⁷You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains." Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.
- ⁸I cried to you, O LORD; I pleaded with my Lord, saying, ⁹ "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
 - ¹⁰ Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; O LORD, be my helper."
 - 11 You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.
 - ¹² Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever.

ANTHEM: Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise (R. Powell)
Alexia Payne, Violin; Lucy Kay Osborne, Organ

THE WORD: Luke 24:13-35

¹³Now on that same day two of [the followers of Jesus] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him.

¹⁷And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?"

They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?"

They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²² Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴ Some of

¹⁹He asked them, "What things?"

those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him."

²⁵Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over."

So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight.

³²They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?"

Word of God.

Wod of life.

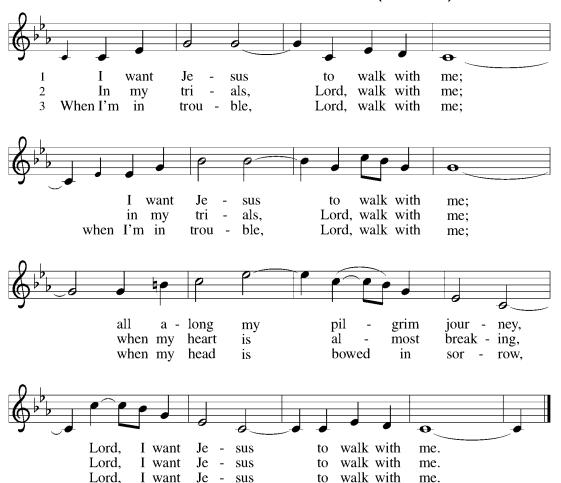
CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!"

³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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



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

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Inspire the church with the breath of your Holy Spirit, that we sing the good news of the resurrection. Inspire deacons and pastors, lay leaders and bishops to boldly proclaim your love for all people. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Preserve the earth as a safe home for all creatures. Restore habitats contaminated by pollution or overuse, strengthen efforts to shape more sustainable communities, and make us mindful of the impacts of our daily lives on the well-being of creation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Kindle in the nations a spirit of cooperation and mutual care. Raise up creative and courageous leaders committed to shaping just solutions to complex challenges in our local and global communities. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Embrace all who carry wounds, that they might know your compassion. Draw near to those with chronic pain or anxiety, and all for whom death is near. Comfort individuals and communities suffering in any way. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

Transform our fear into curiosity and love, especially across differences in race, religion, sexuality, gender identity, and economic situation. Unravel stereotypes that lead to discrimination, and destroy oppressive systems that marginalize vulnerable communities. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For whom do the people pray?

We remember the faithful departed from all times and places. Confident that you are the Alpha and Omega, we pray for your wisdom and guidance until our earthly pilgrimage is complete. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

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: Lift High the Cross (Arr. F. Lopez)

OFFERING: Create in Me a Clean Heart (ELW 185)



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. 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 right-eousness 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

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

Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

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 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.

LAMB OF GOD





you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.

you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.

e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMNS:

Hallelujah! Jesus Lives! (ELW 380)



- 1 Hal-le lu jah! Je sus lives! He is now the Liv ing One;
- 2 Je sus lives! Why do you weep? Why that sad and mourn ful sigh?
- 3 Je sus lives! And thus, my soul, life e ter nal waits for you;
- 4 Je sus lives! Let all re joice. Praise him, ran somed of the earth.
- 5 Hal-le lu jah! An gels, sing! Join with us in hymns of praise.



halls of death Christ, the con-quer-or, from the gloom-y has gone, Christ who died our broth - er here lives our broth-er still on high, joined to Christ, your liv - ing head, where he is, you shall be too: no - bler song, cher - u - bim of heav'n-ly Praise him in birth. a swell the strain which our fee - bler voic - es Let your cho - rus raise:



his peo - ple, yet bright fore - run - ner to the skies of lives for - ev - er to be - stow bless-ings on his church be - low. a vic - tor you shall stand. with the Lord, at God's right hand, as Praise the vic - tor king, whose sway sin and death and hell o - bev. a - bove and on earth his peace and love! Glo - ry to our God

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain (ELW 363)

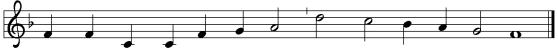


- 1 Come, you faith ful, raise the strain of tri um phant glad ness!
- 2 'Tis the spring of souls to day: Christ has burst his pris on,
- 3 Now the queen of sea-sons, bright with the day of splen-dor,
- 4 Nei ther could the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por tal, 5 Al le lu ia! now we cry to our Lord im mor tal,

God has brought forth Is - ra - el from sad - ness. in joy to sleep in death and from three days' ris - en. as has a sun roy - al with the feast of feasts ren - der; comes its joy to nor the watch - ers, nor the seal. hold vou as mor - tal: a who tri - um - phant burst the of tomb's dark por - tal; bars the



loosed from Pha-raoh's bit - ter Ja - cob's sons yoke and daugh-ters; All win - ter of our sins, and dark, is fly - ing the long glad Jer - u - sa - lem, who with true af - fec - tion comes to but to - day, a - mong your own, you ap - pear, be - stow - ing le - lu - ia! with the A1 -Son God the Fa - ther prais - ing:



led them with un-moist-ened foot from the Light to whom we give wel-comes in un-wea-ried strain your deep peace, which ev - er-more Al - le - lu - ia! yet a - gain through the Red Sea wa - ters.
laud and praise un - dy - ing.
Je - sus' res - ur - rec - tion!
pass - es hu - man know - ing.
to the Spir - it rais - ing.

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia! (ELW 369)



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUILT BLESSING

BLESSING

The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

Amen.

SENDING SONG: Thine Is the Glory (ELW 376)



- 1 Thine is the glo ry, ris en, con-qu'ring Son; end less is the
- 2 Lo, Je sus meets thee, ris en from the tomb! Lov ing ly he
- 3 No more we doubt thee, glo rious Prince of life; life is naught with-



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! greets thee, scat-ters fear and gloom; out thee; aid us in our strife; An - gels in bright rai - ment let his church with glad - ness make us more than con - qu'rors,





where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring
to thy home a - bove.



ΤO

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE: Come You Faithful, Raise the Strain (W. Held

INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK!

Sunday, April 27 Second Sunday of Easter

9:30 am Worship w/ Holy Communion
10:30 am Christian Education for all Ages

11:45 am Youth Bowling at Bowlero

Monday, April 28

9:00 am 4 & 5 year old Preschool

12:00 pm Staff Meeting

Tuesday, April 29

9:00 am 4 & 5 year old Preschool

3 year old Preschool

9:30 am Lectionary

3:30 pm Weekly News Submission Deadline

Wednesday, April 30

9:00 am 4 & 5 year old Preschool

Thursday, May 1

9:00 am 5 year old Preschool

3 year old Preschool

9:30 am FLC Quilters 7:00 pm Choir Practice

Friday, February May 2 Church Office Closed!

Saturday, May 3

10:00am Garden Guild

Altar Guild

Sunday, May 4 Third Sunday of Easter

9:30 am Worship w/ Holy Communion
10:30 am Christian Education for all Ages

11:30 am Membership Committee

In Our Prayers

Prayers of sympathy for Noreen Kloster and family in the death of her husband, Karl on April 20th.

Prayers of sympathy for the family of former FLC Pastor, Rev. Dr. Harold Hoekstra in his death on April 14.

We pray for Bishop Doctor Sani Ibrahim Azar and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land.

Those living with cancer:

Juanita (Bonnie Ahlstedt's sister-in-law), Sue & Lee (Beth Bowers; cousins), Mark (Dick Boyce's son), Lisa (Steve Coble's sister), Alexis (Lucy Kay and David Osborne's friend), Karen (Scott Eiler's sister), Tracee (Bonnie Ahlstedt's friend), Mary Hatlen (member), Steve (Mark Hatlen's cousin), Jessica Hockstedler (member), David (Thomas Holmes' grandfather), John (Susan Berg's brother), Wayne (Dave Shogren's friend), Richard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Ted (Sue Toyoda's friend), Kip (Paul Desilet's uncle), Jim (Hendricks' family friend), Joanne (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law), Diane Mackey (frequent visitor), Chris & family (Dan & Sandy Hendricks' friends), Brandis *(Renee & Mike Markert's friend), Rylan (Kristin Smith's cousin), Marin (Beth & Gordy Phelps' friend), Roy (Kristin Smith's cousin), Deborah (Vicki Shank's cousin), Fern (Surya'Skjonsby friend), August (Karey Coble's friend).

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

Laura (Jose Alcaraz' aunt), Lupe (Jose Alcaraz' aunt), Carolyn Becker (member), Dick
Boyce (member), Doug (Ho Brown's brother-in-law), Susan (Bob Berg's cousin), John (Linda Chapman's brother-in-law), Kai (Jennifer Cleaves' son), Vincent (Julie Mass' friend), Susan Cook (member),
Richard (Susan & Ross Cook's brother), Randy (Chris Martin's friend), Leanne (Krista Daniels' sister), Kai (Nancy & Russ Kerwin's grandson), Elizabeth (Jane King's friend), Nancy Davis (member), Karen (Paula Glandon's sister), John Godek (member), Teresa (friend of the Bakers) Jim (Sandy Hendricks' cousin), Thomas Holmes (member), Karen Johnson (member), Marlo (Leona Keltner's friend), Karl & Noreen Kloster (members), Amy (Nancy McGee's friend), Gina (Roger Steinke's friend), Kathy Koneiczka (member), Richard Konieczka (Kathy Konieczka's husband), Albert (Chris Martin's friend), Doug (Justin LaFord's father), Jeanne (Justin LaFord's mother), Chris Martin (member), Gordon (Tom & Chris Martin-Agnew's friend), Andy (Vickie Shanks' friend), Dennis (Dave Shogren's brother), Mona Shogren (member), Donnabel (Derrick StaRosa's sister), Ron (Beth Phelps' brother), Sandy Sailand (member), Kayden (Karey Coble's nephew), Harriett (Roger Steinke's friend), Kathy Telford-Luiz (member), Lynette (Karen Thomas' friend).

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Valerie (Kendahl Adjorlolo's cousin), Bonnie Ahlstedt (member), Sherrill & Larry Baker (members), Trudy Eichelsdoerfer (member), Audrey Fisher (member), Lawrence (Leon Romaniuk's father), Walt Stoll (member), Sigrid (Carsten Thode's mother), Carol (Patty Weston's mother), Roger Wolter (member).

Those Serving Our Country:

AIR FORCE: Mason Land (Debbie & Darryl Lageson's nephew), Jake Peoples (Andrea & Eric Peoples' son) 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.

