## November 21, 2021 Twenty-sixth Sunday after Penecost 11:00 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	Emily Curcio	Sound Tech	Alain Adjorlolo
Ushers	Lloyd Condra Tom Larsen	Communion Assistants	Marilyn Kay Randall Wampler
Lector	Kendahl Adjorlolo	Camera Tech	Derrick StaRosa
Acolyte	Jackie Fairbanks	Pew Angel	Marcus Hodges

### **GATHERING**

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

## PRELUDE: Give Thanks, Henry Smith

Cheryl Miller, Flute; June Condra, Piano

## WELCOME

GATHERING SONG: Now Thank We All Our God (isometric) (ELW 840)



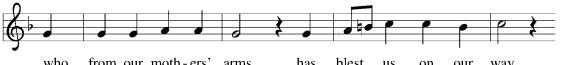
- 1 Now thank we all our God
- Oh, may this boun-teous God
- 3 All praise and thanks to God

with hearts and hands and voic es, through all our life be near us, the Fa - ther now be giv en.



who won-drous things has done, with ev - er joy - ful hearts Son, and Spir - it the blest,

in whom this world re - joic es; bless - ed peace to and cheer us, who reign in high-est heav en,



who, from our moth-ers' arms, and keep us all in grace, the one e - ter - nal God,

blest has us way on when per - plexed, and guide us whom earth and heav'n a - dore;



## **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.

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE: Let There Be Praise (W&P 87)



#### WORD

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

## THE WORD: Isaiah 9:1-7

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness — on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire.

For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom.

He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore.

The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Word of God, word of life.

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD: Thank You Lord (D. Burgess) Richard Edmonds, Soloist

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

## **SERMON**

HYMN OF THE DAY: Christ, Be Our Light (ELW 715)



## **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

Eternal God, you hold firm amid the changes of this world. Hear us now as we pray for the church, the world, and everyone in need.

God, you sent your Son Jesus to testify to the truth. We pray for preachers, missionaries, evangelists, and teachers who carry your forgiveness and love to the world. Fill their words and actions with compassion and kindness so that your truth will shine. God, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

God, you sent your Son Jesus to liberate all of creation. We pray for all living things longing for the freedom to flourish, from ancient trees and wild grasses to endangered animals and rare insects. Give human beings compassionate hearts to care for them. God, in your mercy,

## hear our prayer.

God, you sent your Son Jesus to lead us into the way of peace. Direct the members of international alliances in choosing a nonviolent path toward the future. Give them the humility and wisdom to make just decisions to benefit all. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God, you sent your Son Jesus to make us into your own people, set free to serve you. We pray for people who serve the well-being of others, especially ministries in our community especially HopeLink, Friends of Youth, Mary's Place and the Northshore Nourishing Network. Renew them in their work. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God, you sent your Son Jesus to rule in all times and places. We pray for the friends of our congregation who are unable to join our worship in person and for all who are sick and suffering. Join their prayers with ours and unite them with us in the body of Christ. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For whom do the people pray?

God, you sent your Son Jesus to be our beginning and our ending. We give thanks for those whose lives have given us a glimpse of Jesus' reign of justice and peace. Empower us to join their witness. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God our hope and strength, we entrust to you all for whom we pray. Remain with us always, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-reflection.

Have mercy on us, O God.

We confess that we have sinned against you and against our neighbor. We have built walls instead of tables and have turned away the stranger. We have sought glory for ourselves and have treasured that which does not satisfy. Help us to love as you love, to welcome those you send, and to treasure mercy and justice. Turn us from our ways to your ways, and free us to serve those in need. Amen.

God, who makes all things new, forgives your sins for + Jesus' sake and remembers them no more. Lift up your heads and your hearts. Yours is the kingdom of God.

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)





## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Holy God, the earth is yours and everything in it, yet you have chosen to dwell among your creatures. Come among us now in these gifts of bread and wine, and strengthen us to be your body for the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **DIALOGUE**

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, holy and mighty, holy and immortal: surrounded by evil and bordered by death we appeal to you, our Sovereign, our Wisdom, and our Judge.

We praise you for Christ, who proclaimed your reign of peace and promised an end to injustice and harm.

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, the sacrifice of his life and death and the victory of his resurrection, we await with all the saints his loving redemption of our suffering world.

Send your Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine and on all who share in the body and blood of your Son: teach us your mercy and justice, and make all things new in 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

A feast of love is offered here for you and for all the saints.

## COMMUNION

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

**COMMUNION INSTRUCTION:** We will receive the body of Christ with a broken off piece of bread with these or similar words: The body of Christ, given for you. Let the server know if you desire gluten-free bread. 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 worshipping with us on-line. Once the servers begin serving you are invited to share communion in your home. Know that the blessing of God is with you in this moment.

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 SONG: Come, Ye Thankful People, Come (ELW 693)



- 1 Come, ye thank-ful peo ple, come; raise the song of har vest home.
- 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit un to his praise to yield;
- 3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take his har vest home;
- 4 E ven so, Lord, quick-ly come to thy fi nal har vest home.



be safe - ly gath - ered in All the win-ter storms be - gin. ere wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown. his field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way; Gath - er then thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin.



God, our mak - er, doth pro-vide sup - plied. for our wants to be First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear. charge at give his an - gels last in the fire the tares to cast. pu - ri - fied, there, for - ev - er in thy gar - ner a - bide. to



Come to God's own tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home. Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole-some grain and pure may be. the fruit - ful gar - ner but ears to store in his ev - er - more. Come, with all thine an - gels, come, raise glo-rious har-vest home! the

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Blessed Jesus, at this table, you have been for us both host and meal. Now send us forth to extend our tables and to share your gifts until that day when all feast together at your heavenly banquet. Amen.

#### **SENDING**

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

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **BLESSING**

God, the beginning and the end, who has written your name in the book of life, + bless and keep you in grace and peace from this time forth and forevermore.

Amen.

## SENDING SONG: Have You Thanked the Lord? (ELW 829)



## DISMISSAL

Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## **POSTLUDE:**

## INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, November 21 Christ the King Sunday

8:30 am Worship 9:45 am Sunday School

Quilt with the FLC Quilters in Fellowship Hall

11:00 am Worship

12:00 pm Turkey Lunch Pick up

4:00 pm Lyric Arts Concert—All are welcome! Free will offering.

Monday, November 22

9:00 am 4 Year Old Preschool

12:00 pm Staff Meeting

12:15 pm 4 & 5 Year Old Preschool

Tuesday, November 23

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 Meeting

Wednesday, November 24

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

Thursday, November 25

Happy Thanksgiving! Church Office Closed.

Friday, November 26

Church Office Closed Pastor Berg's Sabbath

Saturday, November 27

Sunday, November 28 First Sunday of Advent

No Christian Education

10:00 am Worship

#### 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 & Bob Ahlstedt's sister-in-law), Duwayne (Betty Magee's brother), Everett (Betty Magee's rother), Marianne (Emily Curcio's friend), MaryBeth (Kathy Chester's Friend), Jackie Gosanko (member), Dan (Paula Glandon's brother-in-law), Frank (Dick Boyce's friend), 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), 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), Bryan (Ho Brown's nephew), 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), 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), Linford (Karen Thomas' friend), Hildur O'Connor (member), Marlis Pehling (member), John (Valarie Cole's father), Sheila (Valarie Cole's mother), Ron (Beth Phelps' brother), Lola (Bob Berg's aunt), Sandy Sailand (member), Mona Shogren (member), 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).

#### Those Serving Our Country:

AIR FORCE: Mason Land (Debbie & Darryl Lageson's nephew) and Erin Siebert (Linda & Joe Siebert's daughter)

ARMY: 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 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.

## November 28, 2021 First Sunday in Advent Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14 Letter to the Exiles

## **Weekly Financial Report**

November 14, 2021 Attendance: 99 in person; 19 Zoom screens

November 14, 2021 General Offerings: \$16,458 Capital Improvement: \$2,743
General Offerings Needed Each Week: \$10,735