

February 16, 2020
Sixth Sunday After Epiphany
8:30 AM



 **First Lutheran Church**
BOTHELL

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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Holy Communion Setting: Bread of Life
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WORSHIP

- + Please sign the white card in the pew rack and hand it to an usher on your way forward for 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 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.
- + Public Wi-Fi password: MartyLuther.
- + If you would like to have a digital copy of the bulletin, go to our website and download the PDF. www.flcbothell.org

Assisting With Today’s Service:

Presiding Minister: Rev. Susan Wanwig

Music Director	Lucy Kay Osborne	Ushers	Dan Bormann & Dave Richards
Pew Angel	Evelyn Gaylord	Lector	David Osborne
Greeter	Connie Wolter	Sound Tech	Terry Baker
Acolyte		Communion Assistants	Donna Hillard & Nancy & Neil McGee

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE: *Fantasia (J. Pachelbel)*

WELCOME

ENTRANCE HYMN: *As We Gather at Your Table (ELW 522)*



1 As we gath-er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,
2 Turn our wor-ship in - to wit-ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;
3 Gra-cious Spir - it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.
where tri - um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.



Nour-ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for - give as you for - gave;
There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,



teach us through this ho - ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.
may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.
as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound-ing joy.

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.

KYRIE



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **C** Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy:



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:

HYMN OF PRAISE



C Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



D Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



C Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

II Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

III Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

I For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

II you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly

Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;
 glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth,
 and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Teacher Jesus, too often we blame external people and situations for our heartaches and brokenness. Help us to look inward to uncover and heal the things that defile: bitterness, hatred, jealousy, and greed. Help us instead to be agents of peace, hope, generosity, and love. Amen.

ANTHEM: *Create in Me (J. Leavitt)*

WORD

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

WELCOMING THE WORD

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
 Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE WORD: Mark 7:1-23

¹Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, ²they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. ³(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; ⁴and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) ⁵So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" ⁶He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

'This people honors me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
⁷in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines.'

⁸You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

⁹Then he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to keep your tradition! ¹⁰For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother'; and, 'Whoever speaks evil of father or mother must surely die.'

¹¹But you say that if anyone tells father or mother, 'Whatever support you might have had from me is Corban' (that is, an offering to God) — ¹²then you no longer permit doing anything for a father or mother, ¹³thus making void the word of God through your tradition that you have handed on. And you do many things like this."

¹⁴Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile."

¹⁷When he had left the crowd and entered the house, his disciples asked him about the parable. ¹⁸He said to them, "Then do you also fail to understand? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile, ¹⁹since it enters, not the heart but the stomach, and goes out into the sewer?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.) ²⁰And he said, "It is what comes out of a person that defiles. ²¹For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, ²²adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

Word of God.

Word of life.

CHILDREN'S SERMON: *Roger Steinke, Director of REACH Ministries*

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil* (ELW 512)



Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.



Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.



When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,



warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.



Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

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.

THE PRAYERS

Trusting that God hears us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

Shepherding God, you protect and guide us with your word. Lead your church into ever closer relationship with you, that we might better know your commands, hold fast to your decrees, and live in your law. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

God of the cosmos, heaven and earth bear witness to the splendor of all you have created. Bless the ground, trees, waterways, and skies with abundant life. Restore synergy between humankind and the natural world, that we may live in harmony with the world you have made. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

God of peace, you show solidarity with all who suffer. Bring an end to violence, war, discrimination, and all other forms of deadly hate, that we may experience your love through the power of justice. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

God of hope, you provide bountifully for all people. Use our lives to alleviate global injustice and eliminate poverty, that all benefit from the abundant gifts you pour out for your people. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

God of growth, you nurture this community. Cultivate in us a spirit of service to one another, and bless us in the ministry we share. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

For whom do the people pray?

God of our ancestors, Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob and Leah and Rachel, we give you thanks for our forebears in the faith who now rest in your eternal grace and love. We especially remember Evelyn. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

Confident that you are able to accomplish more than we even dare to ask, we bring these prayers before you, believing in your saving grace revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

Silence for self-reflection.

God who searches us and knows us, you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you. With what shall we come before you? Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Beloved of God, you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. Receive the promise of baptism: You are God's child; your sins are forgiven. Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY: *Siliciano* (J. Alcott)

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS



☞ Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were

sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u-nite them with the prayers we

of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,

Lord, and give us a fore- taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of wonder, you formed us in our mother's womb, and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine. We place them on your table, together with our lives and all that you have made. Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit. We wait for your mercy; we long for your peace; we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ, our banquet of life. 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.

PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

As this light is brought to our siblings who cannot join us this day, may they be reminded of your presence in their lives.

Through Christ all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave 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.

COMMUNION: *We will receive the body of Christ as gluten-free bread 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.*

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 HYMNS:

We Come to the Hungry Feast (ELW 479)

The King of Love My Shepherd Is (ELW 502)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose.

And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always.

Amen.

SENDING SONG: *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* (ELW 674)



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!

Refrain



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

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: *Trumpet Fanfare* (G.F. Handel)

2020 LENT NEWS

SUNDAYS IN LENT:

You will notice something different with our worship materials on March 1, the First Sunday of Lent. We will be trying an experiment in an effort to lower our paper use. For the season of Lent, we will produce a booklet with the liturgy printed in it that will be used on every Sunday. We will then provide a weekly insert that will have the day's prayers, reading, songs and special music. We will also be using our red hymnals instead of printing the songs. This should reduce the amount of copies we need for each Sunday. Your Worship Team, of Pastor Berg, Richard and Lucy Kay, would love your feedback. So please feel free to let us know what you think!

ASH WEDNESDAY:

We will be having two worship services on Ash Wednesday at Noon and at 7:00 pm. Both services will have the imposition of ashes as well as Holy Communion.

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT:

Wednesday during Lent we will again be having our soup suppers and Evening Vespers. Please sign up to bring soup on the door of the Narthex Kitchenette. For our devotions we will be watching the movie McFarlan, USA. We will have two viewings on Saturday, February 29th at 2pm and again at 5pm. We will then use the movie as our touchstone to talk about hospitality to the stranger and immigration. We will be using the That You May Have Life Vespers written by Susan Briebl and Marty Haugen.

E-Giving Offering cards are available
for you to drop in the plate if you give electronically.
To give now, scan the code to the right.



February 23, 2020 Transfiguration

Mark 8:27–9:8

Transfiguration of Jesus

Weekly Financial Report

February 9, 2020, Attendance: 200

General Offerings: \$9,634 Mortgage Fund: \$640

Amount needed per Sunday:

General Offerings: \$9,750

Mortgage Fund: \$1,098

IN OUR PRAYERS

Prayers of sympathy for the family of Evelyn Fischer in her death on February 10th.

Our Ministry Partners:

Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services, Lutheran Counseling Network, Lutheran World Relief, Northwest Washington Synod

Those living with cancer:

Juanita (Bonnie & Bob Ahlstedt's sister-in-law), Charlie (Jeff Almeida's father), Del Benson (member), Alan (Joan & Carl Christian's son), Russel (Karey Coble's cousin), Linda (Paul Ehe's mother), Erika (Kristin Smith's cousin), Edith Holbrook (member), Heather (Kevin & Vicki Kastning's niece), Richard (Ruth Neitzel's brother), Pam (Marlis Pehling's niece), Don (Doug Peterson's brother), Janette (Beth Phelps' cousin), Teresa (Michelle Tuck's friend), Roger (Michelle Tuck's brother-in-law), Ted (Sue Toyoda's friend), Kip (Paul Desilet's uncle), Jim (Hendricks' family friend), Joanne (Carolyn Becker's sister-in-law) & Clara (Pat Daane's cousin).

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

Evelyne (Alain Adjorlolo's sister), Marilyn Anderson (member), Jan Anderson (member), Paul Anderson (member), Kyle (Larry Baker's nephew), Deb (Brian Midtbo's cousin), Lillian (Bob Berg's mother), Nancy Funsinn (member), Nancy Davis (member), Barb (Stacy Souriall's friend), Ryan (Cathy Edwards' grandson), Allen Glenn (member), Erin (Karen Higgin's daughter), Fritz (Marilyn Iverson's friend), Anne Marie (Hildur O'Conner's daughter), Katie (Hildur O'Conner's daughter), Eileen Payne (Tom Payne's mother), Eric (Sally Adams' cousin), Ron (Krista Daniel's father), Jill (Beth Phelps' cousin), Lorretta Rapp (member), Dennis Shogren (Dave Shogren's brother), Helen (Renee Baker's mother), Lola (Bob Berg's aunt), David Shogren (member), Mona Shogren (member), Loretta (Nora Srothman's sister-in-law), Sadako (Sue Toyoda's mother-in-law), Dandy (Julie Selmikeit-Weyn's husband), Pete (Vicki Kastning's friend), Darlene (Andrea Faubion's mother)

Those who are homebound or in extended care facilities:

Phyllis Enger (member), Roy King (member), Betty Magee (member), Lillian & Lawrence (Leon Romaniuk's parents), Harriet (Eleanor Walters' mother), Jacquie Stoll (member), Sigrid (Carsten Thode's mother) & Phyllis Watters (member).

Please remember to pray for these areas that are suffering:

Australia, Middle East Countries, Puerto Rico, Xinjiang and the Uighar people

Those Serving Our Country:

AIR FORCE: Tyler Ripley (Jeanne Koruga's nephew) and Erin Siebert (Linda & Joe Siebert's daughter)

Mason Land (Debbie & Darryl Lageson's nephew)

ARMY: Lucas Peters (Jim & Vernita Steege's grandson), Asis Montalvo (Adjorlolo family friend), Ben Souriall (Stacy & Mike Souriall's son)

MARINES: James Bacon (Jeanne Koruga's friend) and 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 and close friends in need. Our policy is to publish immediate concerns for 2 weeks, unless we hear from you that an illness or situation is ongoing.

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INFORMATION For the Week!

Sunday, February 16 Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome Rev. Wanwig!

8:30 am **Worship**

9:45 am Education Hour for all ages!

10:00 am Adult Education—Lucy Kay Osborne & Audrey Fisher will present the history of Lutheran World Relief school kits, personal kits and quilts. All are welcome!

10:00 am Ensemble Rehearsal

11:00 am **Worship**

Monday, February 17

President's Day—Church Office Closed

9:30 am Friends Supporting Friends meet at First Lutheran Church to carpool to brunch

10:00 am Friends Supporting Friends Brunch at Creekside Retirement

6:30 pm Hannah Circle

Tuesday, February 18

Preschool Mid-winter Break

9:30 am Lectionary

Wednesday, February 19

Preschool Mid-winter Break

10:00 am Rebecca Circle

10:00 am Peace by Piece Sewing

11:00 am Worship Team

Thursday, February 20

Preschool Mid-winter Break

9:00 am Quilters

7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Friday, February 21

Preschool Mid-winter Break

Church Office Closed

Saturday, February 22

8:00 am Team World Vision Walk/Run Training

Sunday, February 23 Transfiguration of Our Lord

8:30 am **Worship**

9:45 am Education Hour for all ages!

10:00 am Adult Education—The Psalms with Pastor Berg

10:00 am Ensemble Rehearsal

11:00 am **Worship**

Sermon Notes

What one word stuck out for me?

What phrase or sentence was especially memorable?

What did I hear that I am eager to share with another person?

I think the title of the sermon is:

