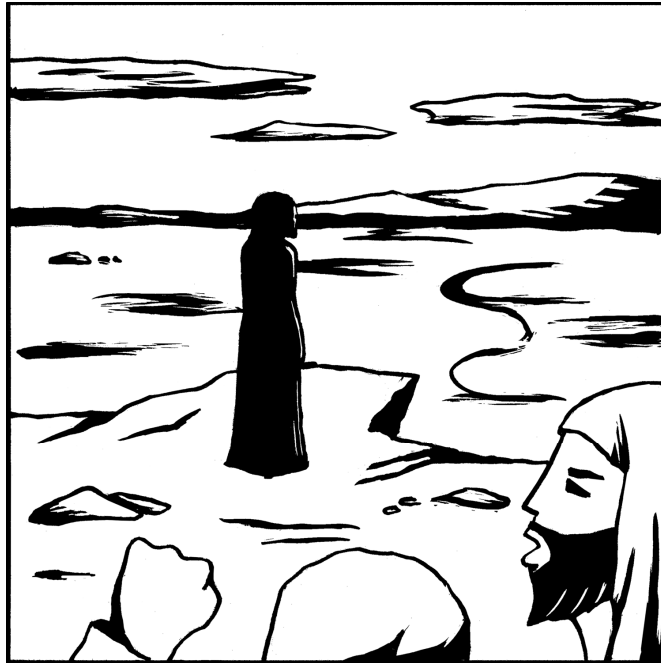




# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA



## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY FEBRUARY 3, 2013

WELCOME TO  
FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH  
FOUNDED 1890

*First Lutheran is a community, a gathering of people of diverse ages, cultures and traditions.*

*Just as Jesus opened himself to all and, by implication, opened the reign of God to all, so we, the members of First Lutheran seek to do the same.*

*Therefore, all are welcome here regardless of their race, gender or sexual orientation; regardless of their social, economic, educational, linguistic or relationship status; regardless of their citizenship, religious or cultural background or makeup of their family; and regardless of their physical, mental, emotional or spiritual condition. There is a place for you in our community worship, service and life.*

**To our Visitors:** Welcome! You are invited to sign our guest book in the Narthex (lobby) and join us for coffee and conversation downstairs after worship, where our friendly congregants will meet and greet you.

A **special welcome** to worshippers who are unable to be physically present and are joining us online for today's service.

*First Lutheran is easily accessible* via major city routes - 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue and Kingsway – and Bus #41 runs west from the Joyce Street Skytrain station. Ample parking is available in a lot just west of the church and on the church side of the two streets--Wales Street and 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. The wheelchair entrance is also the office entrance on 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

*For your convenience*, there is an elevator in the southwest corner of the building, fully accessible washrooms on the main floor in the northwest corner and two washrooms down the stairs at the east end of the lower level. A childcare play area is on the lower level.

*The present building*, erected in 1957, is the third in our history. Founded by Scandinavian fishermen, *First Lutheran* is tied closely to the history of Vancouver. Our logo reflects our ethnic and Christian roots, our West Coast location as well as the varied races and cultures which enrich our life and ministry together.

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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
FEBRUARY 3, 2013

### *Those Serving the Servants Today*

Presider/Homilist	Pr. Hergy
Assisting Minister	Arvid Vimb
Lector	Heather Robbie
Acolytes	Jean-Pierre Bizimana Vedaste Niyonsaba
Ministry of Music	
Organ/Piano	Jeanette Price
Cantor	Lorna Hau
Flutists	Amy MacLeod Anne Johnson
Gift Bearers	June Schramm Mikhail Lennikov
Communion Servers	June Schramm Mikhail Lennikov Ernie Neumann Betty Wong
Coffee Hour Hosts	Russell Collins Linda Collins Cheryl Conant
Altar Guild	Janet Schreiber Caroline Weger Nicole Weger
Offering Counters	Ernie Neumann Betty Wong

**If you'd like to serve God and our community by assisting in our Sunday worship, please contact Iris Kong, our office administrator, at 604.435.6020. If you'd like to help with Coffee Hour, please call Karen Kerfoot at 604.324.7424.**

**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**  
**FEBRUARY 3, 2013**  
*Holy Communion, Setting Seven*

*Worshippers may wish to light a votive candle in memory of a loved one or for meditation. This may be done at any time before or during the liturgy except during community prayers, readings or homily. Since the number of candles is limited and to avoid mishaps, parents and caregivers are asked to be attentive when allowing children to light one.*

**INTRODUCTION**

*The glory of God is often revealed when and where it is least expected. God uses our lips to declare that glory, inexperienced and hesitant though they may be. God uses our love to demonstrate that glory and so urges us to exercise it. God uses Jesus of Nazareth, water and the word, bread and wine, to reveal God's glory where and when God chooses. Take heed, lest the glory of God slip through our midst unnoticed.*

**PRELUDE**                      *Although I Speak With Angel's Tongue*                      Barbara Harbach  
                                          *Thy Goodness Is Our Salvation*                                      J. S. Bach

**GATHERING**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**                                      p. 94

**GATHERING HYMN**                      # 531 *"The Trumpets Sound"*

**GREETING AND KYRIE**                                                                      p. 175

**"GLORIA"**                                                                                              p. 176

**SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

**WORD**

**FIRST READING: Jeremiah 1: 4-10**

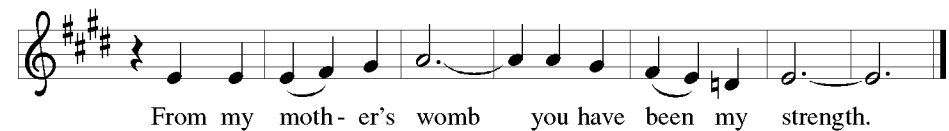
*God calls Jeremiah to be a prophet and consecrates him in the womb. Jeremiah's task is to preach God's word in the midst of the difficult political realities of his time, before the Babylonian exile. He is to make God known not only to Judah, but also to the nations.*

<sup>4</sup>Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,  
<sup>5</sup>"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
 and before you were born I consecrated you;  
 I appointed you a prophet to the nations."  
<sup>6</sup>Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy."  
<sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to me,  
 "Do not say, 'I am only a boy';  
 for you shall go to all to whom I send you,  
 and you shall speak whatever I command you.  
<sup>8</sup>Do not be afraid of them,  
 for I am with you to deliver you,  
 says the LORD."  
<sup>9</sup>Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,  
 "Now I have put my words in your mouth."  
<sup>10</sup>See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,  
 to pluck up and to pull down,  
 to destroy and to overthrow,  
 to build and to plant."

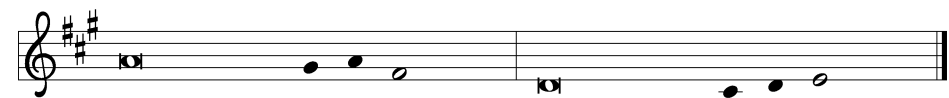
*Response after the reading:*                      **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 71:1-6** (*Cantor sings refrain first; then all sing refrain*)  
*From my mother's womb you have been my strength. (Ps. 71:6)*

*Refrain*



*Tone*



<sup>1</sup>In you, O LORD, have I <sup>1</sup>taken refuge; let me never be <sup>1</sup>put to shame.  
<sup>2</sup>**In your righteousness, deliver me and <sup>1</sup>set me free;**  
**incline your ear to <sup>1</sup>me and save me.**  
<sup>3</sup>Be my strong rock, a castle to <sup>1</sup>keep me safe; you are my crag <sup>1</sup>and my stronghold.  
<sup>4</sup>**Deliver me, my God, from the hand <sup>1</sup>of the wicked,**  
**from the clutches of the evildoer and <sup>1</sup>the oppressor. R**

<sup>5</sup>For you are my hope, <sup>1</sup>O Lord GOD, my confidence since <sup>1</sup>I was young.

**<sup>6</sup>I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;  
from my mother's womb you have <sup>1</sup>been my strength;  
my praise shall be al- <sup>1</sup>ways of you. R**

**SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 13: 1–13**

*Christians in Corinth prided themselves on their spiritual gifts. Paul reminds them that God gives us many gifts through the Holy Spirit, but the purpose behind all of them is love, the kind of love that God showed us in Jesus Christ.*

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. <sup>4</sup>Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup>It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. <sup>8</sup>Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. <sup>9</sup>For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; <sup>10</sup>but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. <sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. <sup>12</sup>For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. <sup>13</sup>And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

*Response after the reading: Thanks be to God.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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**GOSPEL: Luke 4: 21–30**

*People in Jesus' hometown are initially pleased when he says that God will free the oppressed. Their pleasure turns to rage when he reminds them that God's prophetic mission typically pushes beyond human boundaries so that mercy and healing are extended to those regarded as outsiders.*

*Response after announcement: Glory to you, O God.*

<sup>21</sup>Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

<sup>22</sup>All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" <sup>23</sup>He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" <sup>24</sup>And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. <sup>25</sup>But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the

time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; <sup>26</sup>yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. <sup>27</sup>There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." <sup>28</sup>When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. <sup>29</sup>They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff.

<sup>30</sup>But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

*Response to conclusion: Praise to you, O Christ.*

**HOMILY** (*Silence for reflection follows*)

**HYMN OF THE DAY** # 723 *"My Soul Cries Out"*

**THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

*Each portion of the prayers ends with these words: "Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer."*

**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**OFFERING/OFFERTORY** *Thee We Adore, O Hidden Saviour* Anne Krentz Organ

**OFFERTORY PRAYER** (*All rise*)

**MEAL**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING** p. 180

**"HOLY, HOLY, HOLY"** p. 181

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** (*Prayer over the gifts*)

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** p. 182

**FRACTION**

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

**INVITATION**

**"LAMB OF GOD"** p. 182



*It is Christ himself who invites all the baptized members of God's family — and all our guests — to come to his table where he gives his body and blood, along with the gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation under the forms of bread and wine. After receiving the bread into the open, upraised palm, all may drink from the first (common) cup or if desired, have an individual glass filled from the second (pouring) cup. A gluten free option is available upon request.*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

# 310 "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"  
Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus Paul Manz

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (All rise)

SENDING

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN # 400 "God of Tempest"

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Postludium

Gordon Young

Congratulations to Pr. Lori-Anne Boutin and James Crawford who were married yesterday. Our best wishes for a good couple of days off are with our pastor and her beloved. Pr. Lori-Anne Boutin-Crawford (note the new name!) will be back in the office by midweek. There honeymoon will wait until the beginning of June.

Join us for our 2013 Lenten Study "CALL TO CHANGE" from 6:30—8:15 pm on Wednesdays, February 20, 27 and March 6, 20. This course will reflect on the life of the Hebrew Prophet Nehemiah, learning from his example of living in a broken city and his response to God's call to help those around him change and rebuild their lives physically, economically, and spiritually.

The primary focus of this study is to help our Christian community learn different methods of building relationship with all of God's people living within our local communities, and to provide the space and opportunity to think about how to respond to God's call in our own context today. Please register with Pr Lori-Anne if you are interested in participating in this Lenten study. There will be no cost for materials; please bring along a bible and writing materials to the evening sessions, and if you are able a snack to share.



# Announcements

This Week

**Wednesday**

Council, 6:15 pm

**Thursday**

Confirmation, 4:30 pm

Choir, 7:30 pm

**Next Sunday**

Sunday School, 9:45 am

Transfiguration, 10:30 am

First Lutheran's Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be on Friday, February 22. All those who have the responsibility of providing reports for the AGM booklet are to have those reports in to the church office by next Sunday.

Interested in helping with the potluck suppers or leading worship at the Lenten Sunday evening services? Please contact Pr. Lori-Anne.

Our next council meeting will be on this Wednesday. Potluck dinner starts at 6:15 pm and business at 7: 00 pm.

The Parish Care Centre Society AGM will be held on Sunday, February 17 at 12:15 downstairs in the church.

We will celebrate with all those who have birthdays in February next Sunday after worship.

Please remember our first major worship service in the 40 day season of Lent: the Ash Wednesday liturgy on February 13 begins at 7:30 pm.



Shannon, a Pathfinder with the 6th Vancouver Pathfinders, is looking for donations of fabric to make pillowcases for Monarch Place, a shelter for women fleeing from abusive relationships. Fabric that is at least approximately 0.8m wide and 1m long and suitable for pillowcases (light cotton, flannel or fleece) only please! You can place donations in the donation box found in the narthex. Thank you!

## OUR LENTEN WORSHIP/ADULT STUDY SCHEDULE

- Feb 13** Ash Wednesday service with St. Thomas at St. Thomas, 10 a.m.  
Ash Wednesday service with St. Thomas at First Lutheran, 7:30 p.m.
- Feb 17** Lent I, 10:30 a.m.
- Feb 20** Adult Lenten study "CALL TO CHANGE" with St. Thomas at FLC, 6:30 p.m.
- Feb 24** Lent II, 10:30 a.m.
- Feb 27** Adult Lenten study "CALL TO CHANGE" with St. Thomas at FLC, 6:30 p.m.
- Mar 3** Lent III, 10:30 a.m.
- Mar 6** Adult Lenten study "CALL TO CHANGE" with St. Thomas at FLC, 6:30 p.m.
- Mar 10** Lent IV, 10:30 a.m.
- Mar 17** Lent V, 10:30 a.m.
- Mar 20** Adult Lenten study "CALL TO CHANGE" with St. Thomas at FLC, 6:30 p.m.
- Mar 24** Holy Week begins with Palm/Passion Sunday  
Gathering rite at St. Thomas Anglican, 10 a.m.  
followed by Procession to First Lutheran for joint Eucharistic liturgy
- Mar 28** Maundy Thursday at First Lutheran, 6:30 p.m. - light meal  
Worship (including foot-washing, Eucharist, stripping of the altar), 7:30 p.m.
- Mar 29** Good Friday, 10:30 a.m. - Opening prayer at First Lutheran followed by  
Procession to St. Thomas for solemn liturgy
- Mar 31** Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord  
Breakfast at 8:30 a.m.  
Festival Worship at 10:30 a.m.



## JOIN THE SURREY URBAN MISSION AS WE WALK IN SURREY WITH 40 OTHER CITIES ACROSS CANADA ON FEBRUARY 23RD, 2013

The Coldest Night of the Year (CNOY) is a non-competitive 5/10 km winter walk fundraiser that supports Canadian organizations serving those who are hungry, homeless, and hurting in cities across Canada.

The Surrey Urban Mission joins in the walk this year making us the first city in Metro Vancouver to do so. The Mission offers a variety of programs to people in the Surrey community who are living in poverty and those who are homeless. Help us to make this a successful first year by getting involved.

The walk across Canada takes place this year on Saturday, February 23rd. Registration opens at 4 p. m. and walkers begin walking at 5 p. m. This is a family-friendly event - REMEMBER DRESS FOR THE COLD!

Our Surrey walk will begin and end at Chuck Bailey Recreation Centre - 13458 107th Avenue with soup and hot chocolate to be served upon completion of the walk. Entertainment and some special surprises will be available for walkers' pleasure.

To register as a Team Captain, a Walker or as a Volunteer, please go to [www.coldestnightoftheyear](http://www.coldestnightoftheyear) - click on the location tab then on Surrey and register your information on the page that comes up. Let us know who you are challenging to a walk on February 23rd!!

If you are interested in participating as a **SPONSOR** - please contact the Surrey Urban Mission at **604-581-5172** or by email at [sums@telus.net](mailto:sums@telus.net) for further information.

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