



# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA



## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY JANUARY 20, 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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### *Those Serving the Servants Today*

<i>Presider</i>	Pr. Lori-Anne Boutin
<i>Homilist</i>	Pr. Hergy
<i>Assisting Minister</i>	Celly Manirakoze
<i>Lector</i>	Mikhail Lennikov
<i>Acolytes</i>	Quinn Rahal Emmanuel Manu
<i>Ministry of Music</i>	
<i>Organ/Piano</i>	Jeanette Price
<i>Cantor</i>	Janet Filippelli
<i>Flutists</i>	Amy MacLeod Anne Johnson
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	Dennis Reid Doreen Reid
<i>Communion Servers</i>	June Schramm Doreen Reid Ingrid Bielenberg Karen Kerfoot
<i>Coffee Hour Hosts</i>	Sarah Speidel Les Speidel Kim Hoath Randall Hunter
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Jackie Cleroux Dennis Reid Doreen Reid
<i>Offering Counters</i>	Amy MacLeod Frank Filippelli

**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.**



<sup>5</sup>Your love, O LORD, reaches <sup>1</sup> to the heavens, and your faithfulness <sup>1</sup> to the clouds.

**<sup>6</sup>Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like <sup>1</sup> the great deep; you save humankind and ani- <sup>1</sup> mals, O LORD. R**

<sup>7</sup>How priceless is your <sup>1</sup> love, O God!

All people take refuge under the shadow <sup>1</sup> of your wings.

**<sup>8</sup>They feast upon the abundance <sup>1</sup> of your house; you give them drink from the river of <sup>1</sup> your delights.**

<sup>9</sup>For with you is the <sup>1</sup> well of life, and in your light <sup>1</sup> we see light.

**<sup>10</sup>Continue your lovingkindness to <sup>1</sup> those who know you, and your favor to those who are <sup>1</sup> true of heart. R**

## SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:1–11

*The congregation at Corinth experienced division as people were comparing one another's spiritual gifts, thinking some to be superior to others. Paul invites this fractured community to trust that God's Holy Spirit has gifted them all perfectly for their mission together.*

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed.

<sup>2</sup>You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. <sup>3</sup>Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. <sup>4</sup>Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*all sing alleluia verse before and after the reading*) p. 124

## GOSPEL: John 2:1–11

*Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus' signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God's creative power and joyful presence into the world.*

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

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there.

<sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, "Woman,

what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." <sup>6</sup>Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup>Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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

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

**HYMN OF THE DAY** # 836 *"Joyful, Joyful"*

## APOSTLES' CREED

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**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 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 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** *Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel?* Arr. Mark Hayes

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

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## MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Prayer over the gifts)

THE LORD’S PRAYER

“LAMB OF GOD”

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FRACTION (as the bread is broken)

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



*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

# 614 “*There Is a Balm in Gilead*”

*Be Thou But Near*

Johann Sebastian Bach

“NOW, LORD, LET YOUR SERVANT” (*All rise*)

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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## SENDING

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

# 310 “*Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*”

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

*Hanover*

Robert Hobby

# Announcements

## This Week

**Wednesday**

Worship & Music, 9:30 am

**Thursday**

Mutual Ministry Committee, 5:30 pm

Choir, 7:30 pm

**Next Sunday**

Sunday School, 9:45 am

Epiphany III, 10:30 am

## **Welcome to a Traditional Peruvian Dinner!**

Please join us (bring your friends and family!) for a Peruvian supper on Saturday, January 19th at 6pm at King of Life Lutheran Church, Coquitlam. Carmelle Mohr will be working in Lima, Peru with DIACONIA this upcoming year on behalf of CLWR (Canadian Lutheran World Relief). She would like to cook a traditional Peruvian meal for you, share some information about CLWR's work in Latin America and explore the topic of faith-based development work. Dinner will be served at 6pm and Carmelle will speak about CLWR's work shortly thereafter. Games Night will follow, so all are welcome to stay for a board game afterwards if able. **!A pronto!**

## **CLWR Experience for Young Adults - Peru**

In May 2013, Canadian Lutheran World Relief will take a group of young adults (ages 18-35) to Peru to experience its unique culture and see first-hand the development and environmental projects it supports on behalf of Lutherans in Canada. This Global Encounter experience will give participants the opportunity to witness work in which CLWR engages through its partner organization, Diaconia, as well as visit a Lutheran congregation, and cultural sites. For more information about how you can get involved, check out <http://www.clwr.org/Get-Involved/YouthGEPPeru.htm> (**Deadline for applications is January 28th.**)

50+ group will be gathering on Thursday, January 31 at 12:30 pm. Please indicate your attendance by signing up on the sheet posted in the Narthex, and let us know if you will bring sandwiches or desserts to share.

We will celebrate with all those who have birthdays in January today after worship. All are invited to the party.



Anyone wishing to make a contribution towards a group gift for Pastor Lori-Anne's wedding, please see Karen Kerfoot, June Heywood or Christine Neumann during fellowship today. Thank you!

Pacific Lutheran University's Choir of the West will be performing in Vancouver.

Friday, February 1st 7:30 pm  
Ryerson United Church  
2195 West 45th Avenue  
Vancouver, BC V6M 2J2  
Free admission (an offering will be taken)

A reminder that there will be no Sunday Evening Services in January. The service will resume in February with a Lenten potluck and a Taize Communion Service.

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

First Lutheran's Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be on Friday, February 22. More information will be given in the weeks ahead. All those who have the responsibility of providing reports for the AGM booklet are to have those reports in to the church office by February 10.

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.

*First Lutheran Church* is a member of the *British Columbia Synod* (one of five regions) which make up the *Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC)* which in turn belongs to the *Lutheran World Federation* which represents the 80 million Lutherans around the world. For more information on the ministries of the ELCIC (office in Winnipeg, Manitoba), visit its website at [www.elcic.ca](http://www.elcic.ca). For similar information on the BC synod, visit its office in New Westminster or its website at [www.bcsynod.org](http://www.bcsynod.org).

*Financial support* of our congregation's life and mission is provided by the donations of our members given in thankful response to the generosity shown by God in the gifts given to us. Offerings of any amount are gratefully accepted and joyfully spent in our service to Christ and to others.

*Have you remembered First Lutheran in your will?* Consider how a bequest or gift might continue supporting our mission and ministry.

**Our service is web cast live every Sunday starting at 10:20 am through [www.firstlutheranvancouver.com/webcast.htm](http://www.firstlutheranvancouver.com/webcast.htm)**

**Or**

[www.livestream.com/flcv](http://www.livestream.com/flcv)

**Welcome to join us online if you are unavailable to worship at church. The recording of the service is available for the whole week.**

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