



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA



SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 2, 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 - 41st 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 42nd Avenue. The wheelchair entrance is also the office entrance on 42nd 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/Homilist</i>	Pr. Hergy
<i>Assisting Ministers</i>	Celly Manirakoze Julia Lewandowska
<i>Lector</i>	Heather Robbie
<i>Torch Bearers</i>	Jean-Pierre Bizimana Vedaste Niyonsaba
<i>Ministry of Music</i>	
<i>Organist/Pianist</i>	Jeanette Price Anne Johnson Amy MacLeod
<i>Instrumentalists</i>	
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	Mikhail Lennikov Betty Anderson
<i>Communion Servers</i>	Betty Anderson Mikhail Lennikov Ernie Neumann Betty Wong
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Janet Schreiber Betty Anderson June Schramm
<i>Coffee Hour Hosts</i>	Debbie Powell Shannon Ingersoll
<i>Offering Counters</i>	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 or Christine Neumann at 604.596.1778.

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A LITURGY OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

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

God hears every prayer—the prayer of the outsider as well as the prayer of the insider. The attentive nature of our God is evident as God comes to us again and again in the word and in the supper.

PRELUDE

This Is My Father's World
Nimrod (Enigma Variations)

Robert Hobby
Edward Elgar

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

THE LITURGY OF HOLY BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

The candidate for baptism, parents, sponsors and the whole assembly gathers around the font in the narthex. The presiding minister addresses the assembly

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope
through the sacrament of baptism.

By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death
and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ.

We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ,
anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit,
and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

The sponsors present the candidates

We present *Celina Emma Spring* for holy baptism.

The minister addresses the parents

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God,
do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ? **We do.**

As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism,
you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with her among God's faithful people,
bring her to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in her hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture her in faith and prayer,
so that your child may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life? **We do.**

The minister addresses the sponsors

Do you promise to nurture *Celina Emma Spring* in the Christian faith
as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism
and in communion with the church? **We do.**

The minister addresses the assembly

People of God, do you promise to support *Celina Emma Spring*
and pray for her in her new life in Christ? **We do.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The minister addresses the gathered community

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? **I renounce them.**

The minister addresses the assembly

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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 presiding minister addresses the parents only

Do you promise to be good and loving parents to your child and bring her up in the spirit of the gospel—that is, the spirit of forgiveness and understanding? **We do.**

Do you promise to remain faithful to your child whatever the future may bring, to respect her wherever she may go, and to remember always that your child are born of God? **We do.**

THE GIVING OF THE NAME

By what name do you wish your child to be called now and in eternal life?

The Christian name of the candidate is spoken aloud

CELINA EMMA SPRING

May this name be written forever in the Book of Life, in the palm of God's hand.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

Water is poured into the font during the words of the prayer over the water

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, holy God. You are the creator of the waters of the earth.
You are the fire of rebirth. You poured out your Spirit on your people Israel.
You breathe life into our dry bones. Your Son Jesus promised to send the Spirit to us that the world may know your peace and truth.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, and breathe new life into the one who is here baptized.
By your Spirit adopt us all as your children, through our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE HOLY WASHING

The presider baptizes by pouring water over the candidate three times while saying

Celina Emma Spring, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The newly-baptized is welcomed by the gathered community. During this time, the assembly may be “aspurged” or sprinkled with water as a reminder of our baptism.

The liturgy continues with the “Epiklesis” - the “calling down and coming of the Holy Spirit”

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughter new birth, cleanse her from sin, and raise her to eternal life.

Laying both hands on the head of the newly baptized, the minister prays

Sustain *Celina Emma Spring* with the gift of your Holy Spirit:
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,
the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

CHRISMATION

Using oil prepared for this purpose, the presiding minister anoints the newly-baptized and marks the forehead with the sign of the cross.

Celina Emma Spring, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

WELCOME

A lighted candle is given to the newly baptized as a representative of the congregation says

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

The gathered community speaks its welcome led by a representative of the congregation

Let us welcome the newly baptized today.

**We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:
join us in giving thanks and praise to God
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

The minister gives the following blessing to all

My beloved ones, we entrust you all to the mercy and help of God.
May the Holy One watch over your life; may we all walk by the light of faith;
and may we finally receive all the good things God has promised us. **Amen.**

The baptismal party and assembly enters the sanctuary for the hymn. All remain standing for the hymn

HYMN # 453 "Baptized and Set Free"

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY *(All rise)*

Let us pray. Merciful Lord God, we do not presume to come before you
trusting in our own righteousness, but in your great and abundant mercies.
Revive our faith, we pray; heal our bodies, and mend our communities,
that we may evermore dwell in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 18:20–39

The Israelites have been enticed by King Ahab and his non-Israelite queen, Jezebel, to worship the Canaanite god Baal. So Elijah challenges the prophets of Baal to a contest. The contest proves that the Lord is indeed the true God, and the people turn back to the Lord.

²⁰So Ahab sent to all the Israelites, and assembled the prophets at Mount Carmel. ²¹Elijah then came near to all the people, and said, "How long will you go limping with two different opinions? If the LORD is God, follow him; but if Baal, then follow him." The people did not answer him a word. ²²Then Elijah said to the people, "I, even I only, am left a prophet of the LORD; but Baal's prophets number four hundred fifty. ²³Let two bulls be given to us; let them choose one bull for themselves, cut it in pieces, and lay it on the wood, but put no fire to it; I will prepare the other bull and lay it on the wood, but put no fire to it. ²⁴Then you call on the name of your god and I will call on the name of the LORD; the god who answers by fire is indeed God." All the people answered, "Well spoken!" ²⁵Then Elijah said to the prophets of Baal, "Choose for yourselves one bull and prepare it first, for you are many; then call on the name of your god, but put no fire to it." ²⁶So they took the bull that was given them, prepared it, and called on the name of Baal from morning until noon, crying, "O Baal, answer us!"

But there was no voice, and no answer. They limped about the altar that they had made.

²⁷At noon Elijah mocked them, saying, "Cry aloud! Surely he is a god; either he is meditating, or he has wandered away, or he is on a journey, or perhaps he is asleep and must be awakened."

²⁸Then they cried aloud and, as was their custom, they cut themselves with swords and lances until the blood gushed out over them. ²⁹As midday passed, they raved on until the time of the offering of the oblation, but there was no voice, no answer, and no response. ³⁰Then Elijah said to all the people, "Come closer to me"; and all the people came closer to him. First he repaired the altar of the LORD that had been thrown down; ³¹Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, to whom the word of the LORD came, saying, "Israel shall be your name"; ³²with the stones he built an altar in the name of the LORD. Then he made a trench around the altar, large enough to contain two measures of seed.

³³Next he put the wood in order, cut the bull in pieces, and laid it on the wood. He said, "Fill four jars with water and pour it on the burnt offering and on the wood." ³⁴Then he said, "Do it a second time"; and they did it a second time. Again he said, "Do it a third time"; and they did it a third time, ³⁵so that the water ran all around the altar, and filled the trench also with water. ³⁶At the time of the offering of the oblation, the prophet Elijah came near and said, "O LORD, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that you are God in Israel, that I am your servant, and that I have done all these things at your bidding. ³⁷Answer me, O LORD, answer me, so that this people may know that you, O LORD, are God, and that you have turned their hearts back." ³⁸Then the fire of the LORD fell and consumed the burnt offering, the wood, the stones, and the dust, and even licked up the water that was in the trench. ³⁹When all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, "The LORD indeed is God; the LORD indeed is God."

The reading is concluded: Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Galatians 1:1–12

Paul, who started this church in Galatia, is angry and troubled that the congregation is confused by other teachers. As he begins this letter, Paul is direct with them about his desire for Christ's pure gospel to be the center of their lives.

Paul an apostle — sent neither by human commission nor from human authorities, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead —
²and all the members of God's family who are with me,

To the churches of Galatia:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ,
⁴who gave himself for our sins to set us free from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, ⁵to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

⁶I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel — ⁷not that there is another gospel, but there are some who are confusing you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ.

⁸But even if we or an angel from heaven should proclaim to you a gospel contrary to what we proclaimed to you, let that one be accursed! ⁹As we have said before, so now I repeat, if anyone proclaims to you a gospel contrary to what you received, let that one be accursed!

¹⁰Am I now seeking human approval, or God's approval? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still pleasing people, I would not be a servant of Christ.

¹¹For I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; ¹²for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

The reading is concluded: Holy Wisdom, holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

LESSON HYMN # 770 *“Give Me Jesus”*

GOSPEL: Luke 7:1–10

A Roman centurion stands to lose a highly valued slave. Jewish leaders in Capernaum consider the centurion worthy, but the Gentile declares himself unworthy. In the midst of this tangle of attitudes, the centurion shows his understanding of authority and his testimony that Jesus has it, even authority over illness and death.

The gospel is announced. The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After Jesus had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum.

²A centurion there had a slave whom he valued highly, and who was ill and close to death.

³When he heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to him, asking him to come and heal his slave. ⁴When they came to Jesus, they appealed to him earnestly, saying, "He is worthy of having you do this for him, ⁵for he loves our people, and it is he who built our synagogue for us."

⁶And Jesus went with them, but when he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to say to him, "Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof;

⁷therefore I did not presume to come to you. But only speak the word, and let my servant be

healed. ⁸For I also am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and the slave

does it." ⁹When Jesus heard this he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, he said, "I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith." ¹⁰When those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.

The gospel concludes: The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HOMILY *Silence for reflection follows*

HYMN OF THE DAY # 765 *“Lord of All Hopefulness”*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

All may greet one another saying, "Peace be with you".

MEAL

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

Mazurka Op. 67, No. 3

Frederic Chopin

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

During this time, the table is set with the gifts of bread and wine which are brought forward.

After the offering is gathered and presented, the assembly stands

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. **Amen.**

THE 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 *(Prayer over the gifts)*

LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

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.

HYMN DURING THE MEAL **# 779 “Amazing Grace”**
O Rest in the Lord (Elijah) Felix Mendelssohn

After all have received and the table is cleared, the assembly stands

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. O God, as a mother comforts her child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN **# 781 “Children of the Heavenly Father”**

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

POSTLUDE *Toccata in A Minor* Dietrich Buxtehude

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This morning we welcome *Celina Emma Spring Elzanowska* into the Body of Christ through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Celina is the daughter of Jerzy (Jurek) Marek Elzanowski and Channing Spring Rodman. Her sponsors are Elina & Jason Singh and Dominik & Karolina Pick (who will be present on this joyful occasion via skype from Berlin, Germany).
Julia Lewandowska, a distant relative and close friend of Jurek's, is preparing for ordination as a Presbyterian minister in the church of Scotland. It is a joy to have her share in this marvellous occasion.

**Nineteen years at Lutheran
and Nineteen Reasons why you should not miss Pastor Hergy's Send off Roast**

Friday June 21st at 7pm at First Lutheran Church, 5745 Wales Street

You need to come.....

1. If you have ever laughed at one of Pastor Hergy's stories.
2. If you were around to hire Pastor Hergy and are still around to retire him.
3. If you want to be treated to a fabulous wine and cheese party.
4. If you want to hear Pastor Hergy be roasted by colleagues and friends.
5. If you want to hear Hergy have the last word.
6. If you want to simultaneously laugh and cry.
7. If you have been married by Pastor Hergy.
8. If Pastor Hergy has baptized your child.
9. If you want to add your voice to the chorus of heartfelt thank-yous to Pastor Hergy and his family.
10. If you have been inspired to be a different person after listening to one of Pastor Hergy's sermons.
11. If you have been in Pastor Hergy's confirmation class.
12. If you want to "friend" Pastor Hergy the old-fashioned way.
13. If you have seen Hergy as John the Baptist or Martin Luther.
14. If Pastor Hergy has been there for you when you needed him.
15. If you have come to Sunday services just to hear what Pastor Hergy has got to say about current events.
16. If you want to see Pastor Hergy's family together (Chris and Josh are MCs), because maybe you have not seen them in awhile!
17. If you want to be part of history.
18. If you want to make sure that Pastor Hergy is really retiring.
19. If you want to show your support for a cause close to Pastor Hergy's heart - the Mikhail Lennikov Legal Fund.



Celebrating our Pets!

Saturday, June 8, 11a.m.

St Thomas Anglican Church

2441 E. 41st Ave (at St. Margaret's Street)

Bring your dog, cat, bunny, bird, guinea pig, hamster ...
for a special community event celebrating our pets.
If you don't have a pet, but love animals, please join us!
(All pets must be on a leash or in a cage).

- 🐾 **Free hot dogs and drinks** for everyone who brings a pet (plus chances to win more hot dogs for friends and family).
- 🐾 **Prizes** for pets, including biggest pet, smallest pet, best trick, oldest pet, longest ears, pet-owner look-a-like, etc.
- 🐾 **To register:** Call St. Thomas Anglican Church at 604.434.6111 (extension 2) and leave a message for our priest, The Rev. Margaret Marquardt. Leave your name and phone number and the pet you will bring. Or just join us on June 8 at 11 a.m.

This Week

Next Sunday
Pentecost III, 10:30 am

Our coffee supply needs to be replenished. If you are able to donate a pound or two, it will be greatly appreciated and helpful.

Please indicate your attendance on June 21 and/or June 23 on the sign-up sheet posted in the narthex. Meanwhile, you may also sign up for any volunteer work you are able to do on the day.

Confirmation Camp! August 19-24 **Ages 12 and up**

Interested in a fun-filled week on the island? See Pr. Lori-Anne to register by July 15.

Fellowship Hosts Urgently Required!

Volunteers to help serve tea and coffee during fellowship on Sundays are urgently needed for the months of May and June. It doesn't matter if you haven't done this before – we can pair you up with someone with previous experience. This is a great way to meet members and make new friends. If you would like to help, please call **Karen Kerfoot at 604.324.7424** or **Christine Neumann at 604-596-1778** (evenings).

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