



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA



**PALM SUNDAY/PASSION SUNDAY
MARCH 24, 2013**

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**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>Presiding Ministers</i>	Rev. Margaret Marquardt Pr. Lori-Anne Boutin-Crawford Pr. Hergy
<i>Assisting Minister</i>	Linda Collins
<i>Crucifer</i>	Suleiman Munyaneza
<i>Lectors</i>	Christine Neumann John Green
<i>Torch Bearers</i>	Jordan Manu Emmanuel Manu
<i>Ministry of Music</i>	
<i>Organist/Pianist</i>	Jeanette Price
<i>Guest Pianist</i>	Kathryn Roller
<i>Cantor</i>	Arvid Vimby
<i>Flutists</i>	Anne Johnson Amy Collins
<i>Trumpeter</i>	Karl Maier
<i>Guests from St. Thomas</i>	Rita Attrot-Music Director St. Thomas Choir
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	Ingrid Bielenberg Betty Anderson
<i>Communion Servers</i>	John Green Ingrid Bielenberg Suri Rao Betty Wong
<i>Anointers</i>	Jackie Cleroux Christine Neumann June Schramm John Morley
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Jackie Cleroux June Schramm Betty Anderson
<i>Coffee Hour Hosts</i>	Wayne Wong
<i>Offering Counters</i>	Betty Wong John Morley

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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

The voice of the suffering savior, Jesus, can be heard in the prophet Isaiah's words and the pleading of the psalm. We are invited into the agony of our Lord in the extended reading of the story of Jesus' passion. In the second reading, we who have put on Christ in holy baptism are urged to let the mind of Christ be our own. Lent leads us to this holy moment. Embrace it.

GATHERING

PROCESSION WITH PALMS

The assembly gathers at St. Thomas Anglican for the opening rite.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. **Hosanna in the highest.**

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

The leader greets the people and gives a brief introduction, inviting them to participate in the celebration

Dear Friends in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing for the celebration of our Lord's paschal mystery. On this day our Saviour Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph. The people welcomed him with palms and shouts of praise, but the path before him led to self-giving, suffering and death.

Today we greet him as our Sovereign, although we know his crown is thorns and his throne a cross. We follow him this week from the glory of the palms to the glory of the resurrection by way of the dark road of suffering and death. United with him in his suffering on the cross, may we share his resurrection and new life.

Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy into the celebration of those mighty acts whereby you give us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

All remain standing for the Gospel.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 19:28-40

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

²⁸After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" ³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

At the conclusion of the Gospel, the reader says:

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

The celebrant then says the following blessing.

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.

All raise their branches as the celebrant continues.

It is right to praise you, almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ. The Hebrews acclaimed Jesus as Messiah and King, with palm branches in their hands, crying, Hosanna in the highest. May we also, carrying these emblems, go forth to meet Christ and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

All follow the cross and torches to First Lutheran. The hymn begins as the procession enters the sanctuary.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"All Glory, Laud and Honour"

Refrain:

*All glory, laud and honour to you, redeemer, King.
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.*

- 1 You are the king of Israel and David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming, our King and Blessed One. *Refrain*
- 2 The company of angels is praising you on high;
Creation and all mortals in chorus make reply. *Refrain*
- 3 The multitude of pilgrims with palms before you went.
Our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present. *Refrain*
- 4 To you, before your Passion, they sang their hymns of praise.
To you, now high exalted, our melody we raise. *Refrain*
- 5 Their praises you accepted; accept the prayers we bring,
Great author of all goodness, O good and gracious king. *Refrain*

As the procession ends and all are standing in their places, the presiding minister says

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. **Hosanna in the highest.**

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Saviour, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 50:4-9a

The servant of the Lord expresses absolute confidence in his final vindication, despite the fact that he has been struck and spit upon. This characteristic of the servant played an important role in the early church's understanding of the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

- ⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he awakens —
wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.
- ⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.
- ⁶I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

- ⁷The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
- ⁸he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
- ⁹It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

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

PSALM 31:9-16 (*Cantor sings the refrain; then the assembly sings the refrain; cantor and congregation sing the verses responsively*)

Refrain



Tone



- ⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I¹ am in trouble;
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat¹ and my belly.
- ¹⁰**For my life is wasted with grief, and my¹ years with sighing;
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones¹ are consumed.**
- ¹¹I am the scorn of my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to¹ my acquaintances;
when they see me in the street¹ they avoid me.
- ¹²**Like the dead I am forgotten,¹ out of mind;
I am as useless as a¹ broken pot. R**
- ¹³For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is¹ all around;
they put their heads together against me; they plot to¹ take my life.
- ¹⁴**But as for me, I have trusted in¹ you, O LORD. I have said, "You¹ are my God.**
- ¹⁵My times are¹ in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who¹ persecute me.
- ¹⁶**Let your face shine up-¹ on your servant;
save me in your¹ steadfast love." R**

SECOND READING **Philippians 2:5–11**

Paul uses an early Christian hymn to help us comprehend Jesus' obedient selflessness on the cross and how God has made Christ lord over all reality. The perspective of the cross becomes the way we rightly understand God, Christ, our own lives, and fellowship within the community of Christ.

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
⁶who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death —
even death on a cross.
⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

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

CHOIR ANTHEM *"Ain't No Rock"* Lloyd Larson

HOLY GOSPEL **Luke 22:14 - 23:56**

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke

Response: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

(Be seated for the narrative reading on the coloured insert)

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

HYMN OF THE DAY **#343 "My Song Is Love Unknown"** *(All rise)*
v. 3 - women; v. 4 - men; v. 5 - unaccompanied

THE PRAYERS OF THE DAY

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words: "Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great."

SHARING OF THE PEACE *All may share the peace with one another*

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *The Palms* John Baptiste Faure

OFFERTORY PRAYER *(If able, please rise)*

Let us pray. God our provider, **you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING *(Please rise if you are able)*

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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Saviour Jesus Christ; whose suffering and death gave salvation to all.

You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS *(see below and on next page)*



Hol-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo-ry.
Ho-san-na in the high-est, 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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER *(The prayer over the gifts)*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,

your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.

Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we

for-give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al

and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,

and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

FRACTION *(As the bread is broken, the presider says)*
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. The wafer is received in the open, upraised palm. All may drink from the first (common) cup or, intinct (dip) the wafer into the second (intinction) cup. Those who desire prayer and anointing for comfort or for the healing of any illness or brokenness in mind, body or spirit are invited to receive these blessings after communing.

"LAMB OF GOD"

1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have
2 Your gift of love we cru - ci - fied. We laughed and
3 I was so lost, I should have died, but you have

sent him from your side to walk up - on this guilt - y
scorned him as he died. The hun - ble king we named a
brought me to your side to be led by your staff and

Refrain

sod and to be - come the Lamb of God. O Lamb of
fraud and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God. O Lamb of
rod and to be called a lamb of God.

God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God. Oh, wash me

in your pre - cious blood, my Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

MUSIC DURING THE MEAL

335 “Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”

334 “Tree of Life” v. v - 1, 2, 3, and Lent 5

Ich ruf’ du zir, Herr Jesus Christ Johann Sebastian Bach

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *(If able, please rise)*

Let us pray. **O God of mercy and might, in the mystery of the passion and meal of your Son you offer your infinite life to the world. Gather us around the cross and the table of Christ; feed us with the bread of life; and preserve us until the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen**

SENDING

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN # 346 “Ride On, Ride On in Majesty” v. 3 - unaccompanied

DISMISSAL

Reconciled to God through Christ, go in peace to love and serve the God.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Chaconne

Louis Couperin

March 28 - Maundy Thursday

A light meal at FLC, 6:30 pm
(St. Thomas’ members to bring salads)

Worship, 7:30 pm

(including Holy Communion, foot washing
and the stripping of the Altar)

March 29 - Good Friday

Opening prayer begins at FLC, 10:30 am
Procession to St. Thomas Anglican
for the liturgy of the Meditation on the Cross

March 31

Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord

Breakfast at FLC, 8:30 am
Festival Liturgy, 10:30 am

A Broken Relationship: You are invited to a service of healing and prayer, singing and drumming, storytelling and image. Our aboriginal guests have been invited to tell their stories through singing, story, and drumming to facilitate our listening and questioning.

Date: Sunday, March 24, at 2 pm
Place: Gilmore Park United Church
(8060 No 1 Rd, Richmond)
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First Lutheran Coffeehouse!

Sunday, April 21st, 6 - 10 pm

Potluck at 6 pm, show at 7 pm

Bring your talents! A song, a skit, a poem, a story—what ever you feel led to share! All are welcome! You can sign up by email (shannon.heartsong@gmail.com) or be brave and jump in the night of the show! This is a time of sharing, encouraging each others gifts, and building community...

Sunday School resumes on April 7
at 9:45 am.

Choir will take a recess on March 28
and April 4. Regular practice
resumes on April 11 at 7:30 pm.

*Please join us
for the 28th Annual Ecumenical*

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Vancouver’s Downtown Eastside

GOOD FRIDAY, March 29, 2013

Gather at the
Lutheran Urban Mission Society
360 Jackson Ave
(between Hastings and Cordova)

at 12:15 PM

(ending at approximately 1:45 pm)

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