



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA



YOUTH SERVICE
OCTOBER 6, 2013

**WELCOME TO
FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
FOUNDED 1890**

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Youth Serving the Servants Today

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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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

A little faith goes a long way is our Lord's point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in water and the word (holy baptism), bread and wine (holy communion), the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

PRELUDE

Medley of Hymns

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Come and Gather” p. 3
(from the grey booklet “Tree of Life Setting”)

REETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. God of Everlasting Love: We are your people, and your love and faithfulness lasts throughout all time. When we are empty, you fill us. When we are weak in faith, you strengthen us. When we are cold in love, you warm us, so that with delight we may love your people and serve them with the joy of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Psalm Song: 'Make a Joyful Noise'

Make a Joyful Noise (Psalm 100)

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE TO THE LORD, ALL THE EARTH
WORSHIP THE LORD WITH GLADNESS AND SONG
COME INTO GOD'S PRESENCE WITH SINGING AND LAUGHTER
OH MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE TO THE LORD

KNOW THAT THE LORD IS OUR EVERLASTING GOD
IT IS GOD WHO MADE US, AND WE ARE THE LORD'S
WE ARE GOD'S PEOPLE, THE SHEEP OF GOD'S PASTURE
OH MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE TO THE LORD

FOR THE LORD IS GOOD
GOD'S LOVE ENDURES FOREVER
AND GOD'S FAITHFULNESS THROUGHOUT ALL TIME

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FIRST READING: Lamentations 3:22-24

“Certainly the faithful love of the LORD hasn't ended;
certainly God's compassion isn't through!
They are renewed every morning. Great is your faithfulness.
I think: The Lord is my portion! Therefore, I'll wait for God.”

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

SECOND READING: Timothy 1: 9-10, 13-14

“God is the one who saved and called us with a holy calling. This wasn't based on what we have done, but it was based on God's own purpose and grace given to us in Christ Jesus before time began. Now God's grace is revealed through the appearance of our saviour, Christ Jesus. He destroyed death and brought life into dear focus through the good news. Hold on to the pattern of sound teaching that you heard from me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Protect this good thing that has been placed in your trust through the Holy Spirit who lives in us.”

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

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

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

GOSPEL: Luke 17: 5-6

“The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!”
The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed,
you would say to this mulberry tree,
‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’
and it would obey you.”

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

HOMILY *(Silence for reflection follows)*

HYMN OF THE DAY # 670 “*Build Us Up, Lord*”

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words: “Hear us, O God”

The congregation's sung response “Lord, listen to your children praying” is found on next page.

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

Sonata No. 7

Mozart

OFFERTORY PRAYER *(All rise)*

Let us pray. **Loving God, you gather us, your children, to become one bread to feed your world, as we are fed by Christ Jesus, now and forever. Amen.**

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord is with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts, your voices, and your lives.

We lift all that we have to the Lord.

Let us give thanks for the loving gifts of God.

It is right to give our thanks for the gifts of Christ with us and in us.

In the night of his betrayal, Jesus took bread, blessed it, 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.”

After supper, Jesus took a cup of wine, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying:
**“Drink of it, all of you, this cup is the new covenant in my blood.
It is poured out for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this to remember me.”**

We thank You, God of Abundant Love, for these gifts given in love for us.
Accept us, forgive us, heal us, and teach us to live abundant lives.

Let us pray together the prayer Jesus taught us:

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.

**For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds,
and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Amen.**

INVITATION

Come, taste and see that our Lord is good. **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

491 “Come, Let Us Eat”

(Children serve communion)

#483 “Here is Bread”

Go, My Children, With My Blessing

Welsh Traditional

POST COMMUNION SONG

“By Your Hand You Feed Your People”

p.18

(from the grey booklet “Tree of Life Setting”)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. **We come again to you, O God, giving you thanks that in your love, you have embraced us and healed us, making us one in Christ. Go with us on our way. Equip us for every good work, that we may continue to give you thanks by embracing others with love, mercy and healing; through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

God of all children of the earth bless you and keep you, this day and always. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN # 535 *“Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises”*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve all God’s children. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

We Are Marching in the Light South African Traditional



Thank you to all the children and youth who helped lead the worship this morning! You are an important part

of this congregation, and teach us many valuable things. Thank you for the gift of your presence.

A BIG Thank you to Felix Opoku who helped Pr. Lori-Anne craft today’s sermon. Felix was unable to be here this morning due to a sports commitment on the island.

On Thanksgiving Sunday, October 13, all are encouraged to bring gifts of non-perishable goods as well as special gifts of money. We will use these gifts to stock our parish pantry for folks who are in need of some short-term help. . .or for those non-members who come to our office doors during the week asking a bit of help to get through the next few days or a week. Your donations are warmly welcomed and appreciated.

In order to update the photo albums of FLC members and friends, picture taking sessions will be held in the ELSA daycare area after the service on October 20 and October 27. These pictures may also be used in our upcoming church directory with the permission from the individuals.

This Week

Wednesday

Confirmation, 4:30-5:30 pm

Thursday

Choir, 7:30 pm

Saturday

Psalms Study, 11 am, FLC Narthex

Next Sunday

Thanksgiving Sunday, 10:30 am

Fellowship Hosts Urgently Required!

Volunteers to help serve tea and coffee during fellowship on Sundays are urgently needed. 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 contact **Christine Neumann at 604-596-1778** (evenings) or **Karen Kerfoot at 604.324.7424**. Their email address is cl-neumann@shaw.ca (Christine) and karen100@telus.net (Karen).

Volunteers urgently needed for altar set-up and clean-up. The duties include set up the bread and wine for communion between 9:30-10 am and clean up immediately after the service is completed. No experience needed! You will be teamed up. Please consider to be part of our worship leading team! Training will be provided. Contact June Schramm if you are willing to help.

Psalms Study Schedule

Oct 12 Psalms 1-5
Oct 19 NO CLASS
(PR L-A ON STUDY LEAVE)
Oct 26 Psalms 6-10

Nov 2 Psalms 11-15
Nov 9 Psalms 16-20
Nov 16 Psalms 21-25
Nov 23 Psalms 26-30
Nov 30 Psalms 31-35

Dec 7 Psalms 36-40
Dec 14 Psalms 41-45
Dec 21/Dec 28 NO CLASSES
CHRISTMAS BREAK

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE 2013
10:45 AM-11:10AM

OCTOBER 20

NOVEMBER 5
NOVEMBER 17

DECEMBER 1
DECEMBER 15
DECEMBER 22 - SUNDAY SCHOOL
PRESENTS IN SERVICE

Spring bulbs for the church garden needed.
Please drop them off in the church office.

Psalms Bible Study, First Lutheran Church Saturdays, 11am-12:30pm

Looking for a chance to learn more about God and the Bible?

Looking for a Bible Study that you can join whenever you have the time?

Looking for a chance to connect with others in a community of faith?

Join us for our year of Bible Study on the Psalms!

“Life is always a kaleidoscope of conflicting experiences and emotions—and we find this variety reflected in the contents of the Old Testament psalms.”

*J. W. Drane, *Introducing the Old Testament.**

Within our scriptures is ancient yet relevant poetry that describes the complexity of human life, and the rich relationship that humans have with God. Martin Luther described the Psalms as the ‘little Bible’ or ‘the Bible within the Bible,’ and believed that the Psalms articulate the whole gospel of God’s grace and steadfast love.

The purpose of this course is to provide a safe space to explore the full gamut of human emotion and experience with God not only in the Psalms, but also in our lives. After a brief class introducing the Psalms, five different psalms will be studied and discussed each class. All members of this study will be given the opportunity to bring in personal insights and share unique perspectives and experiences.

You do not have to be a biblical expert to join this study! All that is required is that we all come just as we are, and also with a Bible, writing pad and pencil in hand, to explore the riches that are before us in our faith tradition. No previous knowledge necessary!

Do not worry if you are too busy to commit to the entire year-long course! You do not need to come to consecutive classes in order to join in the study—come whenever you can! All of the psalms will be posted for each specific class so you have the opportunity to read and pray through the poems if you have a chance prior to the study.

If you are interested, please sign up on the sheet posted in the Narthex.

SUMS Third Annual “Soup Du Jour” and Grand Opening

Join us on Friday October 25th, 2013 for our annual fund-raiser combined this year with the opportunity to see our new location at **10776 King George Blvd.**

Our cocktail style party features great food, entertainment, recognition of individuals and organizations that have contributed to the new building and just a few Mission surprises!

Time – 5:00 pm until 9:00 pm

In lieu of tickets
a freewill - offering may be made.

We will as in past years have a Live and Silent Auction for your enjoyment. If you have any items that you would be willing to donate please call Jonquil at 604 581 – 5172 or by e-mail at sums@telus.net.

On **October 27**, Reformation Sunday, we welcome all friends from **Grace Lutheran Church** for a **joint service** here at First Lutheran. Pr. Nathan Fong will be preaching. We will have a **potluck dessert feast** after the morning liturgy. Please bring some goodies to share with everyone on the day. For those who are able and willing to help with set-up and clean-up, please contact either Karen Kerfoot or Christine Neumann.

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