



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA



**THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD
APRIL 20, 2014**

**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. Lori-Anne Boutin-Crawford
<i>Assisting Minister</i>	Russell Collins
<i>Lector</i>	Linda Dawson
<i>Torch Bearers</i>	Benie Niyungeko Nelly Gateka
<i>Ministry of Music</i>	
<i>Organist/Pianist</i>	Jeanette Price
<i>Instrumentalists</i>	Anne Johnson Derek MacNeill Karl Maier Kathryn Roller
<i>Guest Pianist</i>	
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	Jackie Cleroux Doreen Reid
<i>Communion Servers</i>	Jackie Cleroux Betty Wong Dennis Reid Doreen Reid
<i>Altar Guild</i>	June Schramm Doreen Reid Dennis Reid
<i>Coffee Hour Hosts</i>	First Lutheran Men's Group
<i>Offering Counters</i>	Amy MacLeod Frank Filippelli

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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

On this day the Lord has acted! On the first day of the week God began creation, transforming darkness into light. On this, the "eighth day" of the week, Jesus Christ was raised from the dead. We celebrate this new creation in the waters of baptism and in the feast of victory. With great joy we celebrate this day of days, even as we begin the great fifty days of Easter. Filled with hope, we go forth to share the news that Christ is risen!

PRELUDE

*Alleluia
Te Deum*

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Marc-Antoine Charpentier

EASTER ACCLAMATION Christ is risen! **He is risen, indeed! Hallelujah!** (Repeat 3x)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

PROCESSIONAL HYMN # 365 "*Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*"

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

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

Let us pray. God of grace and mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and is the Lord of life. May the risen life we share with Christ Jesus fill our hearts, minds, and our lives. Release us to share the fullness of everlasting life with all who are living in this world, through the grace of Christ Jesus, the Living One. **Amen.**

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM - WELCOME OF NEW MEMBER

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:1-6

This passage makes clear that God's final word is always "Yes." Because God's love is everlasting, God always remains faithful. Ancient Israel is assured that it will be rebuilt and have plentiful crops. The people of God too will ultimately be reunited.

At that time, says the LORD, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

²Thus says the LORD:

The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness;
when Israel sought for rest,

³the LORD appeared to him from far away.

I have loved you with an everlasting love;
therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.

⁴Again I will build you, and you shall be built,
O virgin Israel!

Again you shall take your tambourines,
and go forth in the dance of the merry-makers.

⁵Again you shall plant vineyards
on the mountains of Samaria;
the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy the fruit.

⁶For there shall be a day when sentinels will call
in the hill country of Ephraim:
"Come, let us go up to Zion,
to the LORD our God."

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

CHOIR ANTHEM

“Go Out With Joy”

Dave & Jean Perry

SECOND READING: Acts 10:34–43

Easter means new life for us as it first meant new life for Christ. His resurrection reshapes the entire focus and motivation for our lives, since we are now hidden with the risen Christ in God.

³⁴Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

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

GOSPEL PROCESSION (sing twice)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 28:1-10

Sorrow gives way to "fear and great joy" when two women are sent by an angel to proclaim the good news: Jesus is risen!

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." ⁸So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

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

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HOMILY *Silence for reflection follows*

HYMN OF THE DAY # 364 *Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words: "God of Love, Raise us to New Life."

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

Prelude in Classique Style

Gordon Young

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 life and love, you bless us amid all the changes and chances of life.**

**Grant us servant hearts, that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger,
and proclaim the good news of new life in the name of Jesus Christ, our Beloved Saviour
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 holy gifts of God for you, the holy people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

It is Christ who invites all 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. All are welcome to the table of grace! Bread or a gluten free option are available. All are invited to drink from the first (common) cup or if desired, to have an individual glass filled from the second (pouring) cup. Please note that full communion is received when only one of the elements is consumed.

HYMNS DURING THE MEAL

384 “That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright”

376 “Thine Is the Glory”

377 “Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!”

Now the Green Blade Rises

French Carol

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray: **God of life and love, you bless us amid all changes and chances of life. You are the giver of new life. Send us out to bless and awaken others to the mystery of your life-giving love, which is revealed to all the world, especially in the Risen One who came to give himself away and bring us new life, Jesus Christ, Our Beloved. Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord of peace give you peace at all times and in all ways.

In the name of our Holy One, the One who Creates, Redeems, and Sustains. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN # 619 “I Know That My Redeemer Lives!”

v.3, women; v.5, men; v.7, organ

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

POSTLUDE

Hallelujah Chorus

George Frederic Handel

This morning we welcome Nicolas Alexandre into membership today by Affirmation of Baptism. We look forward to sharing our worship, life and service with Nicolas.

Thanks to our breakfast crew led by Lanny Harris and Jack Kuyer for the delicious pancakes this morning. They will also be assisting the coffee hour after the worship on the lower level.

Easter Memorial Garden

The Easter lilies adorning our chancel area this morning have been dedicated by

Jackie Cleroux

In loving memory of Noel Cleroux

Lanny and Sylvia Harris

In loving memory of the Harris,
Becker and Henry families
To the glory of the Risen Lord
and Ralph Hancock

Fred Batscheider

In loving memory of Hilda Batscheider

Jack & Diana Kuyer

In loving memory of Litha & Julius Kraus,
Dianne Kuyer, Bertha & Bob Aamoth

Jack and Barbara Schaub

In loving memory of dear son, Peter Schaub,
and Maya Rapp

June Schramm

In loving memory of Steven Janssen
and Elna Mathiassen

Les & Sarah Speidel

In loving memory of all the relatives and friends

Irina Lennikova

In loving memory of Anna Polkanova

Anne Johnson, Laef, Alin and Duane Kucheran

In loving memory of Floyd and Genevieve
Johnson, Grace Kucheran and Marjie & Larry

Kirsten Jensen & George Kondor and Family

In loving memory of Arne Jensen,
George Kondor Sr., and Kim Jensen

Betty and Wayne Wong

To the glory of the Risen Lord

Susan Storseth

In loving memory of Verna Storseth

Linda Storseth O'Brien

In loving memory of Verna Storseth
To the glory of the Risen Lord

Shirley Toth and Family

In loving memory of son and brother
Stephen Edwin Toth

The Dawson Family

To the glory of the Risen Lord

The Neumann's

In loving memory of Erich & Lydia Neumann.

The Neumann's

In loving memory of Noel Cleroux

Barry and Karen Kerfoot

In loving memory of Merle De Long



RIVER OF LIFE RETREAT

***RIVENDELL Retreat Centre, BOWEN ISLAND, BC.
(short ferry ride from Horseshoe Bay, West Vancouver ferry terminal)
JUNE 20-23, 2014***

***In need of a quick getaway from the noise, distractions and pressures of the city?
Looking for a time to enter into quiet, rest, and reflection, and center in God's presence?
Join us for a retreat at a sanctuary of peace,
as we spend time wading in the river of God's life-giving love.***

Pr Lori-Anne will lead a gently focused weekend retreat,
centered on our human experiences in God's River of Life.
This will be an opportunity to reflect both communally and individually
upon God's gentle and ever-flowing love, and our human responses to God's formation.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

- Rivendell has rooms for up to **22 retreatants** in 15 rooms (shared rooms single beds)
- Due to limited space, those attending First Lutheran will be given first opportunity to attend.

COST:

\$50/per night (or as much as one is able to afford; income tax receipts given for \$60/per night), ferry trip, and low-cost meals.

**PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX NO LATER THAN MAY 18
IF YOU ARE ATTENDING THE RETREAT - Please sign up as soon as possible!**

AGENDA

FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2014

- 3pm onwards, arrival and orientation for those seeking private time
- 5:30-6:30pm, light dinner for early comers
- 7-9pm, large group orientation, reflection, and prayer time (includes break for coffee time)
- 9-10:00pm, refreshments and social time or individual time

SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2014

- 8-9am, breakfast
- 9:30-11:45am, large group reflection and prayer time
- 12-1pm, lunch
- 1-3:30pm, FREE TIME for private prayer, exercise, social time
- 3:30pm-5:15pm, large group reflection and prayer time (includes break for coffee time)
- 5:30-6:30pm, dinner
- 7pm-9pm, large group reflection and prayer time (includes break for coffee time)
- 9-10:00pm, refreshments and social time or individual time

SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 2014

- 8-9am, breakfast
- FREE TIME until check-out (3pm)

This Week

Monday

Office Closed

Saturday

Won by One, 1:30 pm

Sunday

Second Sunday of Easter, 10:30 am

Sunday School, 10:45 am

"Living in New Life"

Contemporary Evening Service, 6:30 pm

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Sundays, April 27– May 25

A time for fellowship, coffee and goodies to follow.

Psalms Study Schedule

Apr 26 **NO CLASS**
May 3 **Psalms 106-110**
May 10 **Psalms 111-115**
May 17 **Psalms 116-120**
May 24 **Psalms 121-125**
May 31 **Psalms 126-130**

MVA Community Leadership Institute

Friday, May 2, 7 - 9 pm

Saturday, May 3, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm

VCC, Broadway Campus, North Building
1120 East 7th Ave, Vancouver

Refreshments throughout the weekend and lunch on Saturday provided.

Registration: please email:
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with your name, organization, and contact.

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