



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA



TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 24, 2016

**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 people and cultures which enrich our life and ministry together.

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**TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
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Those Serving the Servants Today

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| <i>Presider/Homilist</i> | Pr. Lori-Anne Boutin-Crawford |
| <i>Assisting Minister</i> | Russell Collins |
| <i>Lector</i> | Karen Duddy |
| <i>Ministry of Music</i> | |
| <i>Organist/Pianist</i> | Jeanette Price |
| <i>Flutist</i> | Anne Johnson |
| <i>Trumpeter</i> | Karl Maier |
| <i>Gift Bearers</i> | Blair Duddy Karen Duddy |
| <i>Tray Holders</i> | Emmanuel Manu Jordan Manu |
| <i>Communion Servers</i> | Karen Duddy John Morley Janet Ray Sandi Strate |
| <i>Coffee Hour Hosts</i> | Pr. Sylvia & Paul Schmidt |
| <i>Altar Guild</i> | Ingrid Anderson Betty Wong Wayne Wong |
| <i>Offering Counters</i> | John Morley |

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 Deanna Wilson at 604-430-5893 or Betty Wong at 604-877-1578.

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
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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

Persistence in prayer evoked the admiration of Jesus and wins the attention of the Lord when Abraham intercedes for Sodom. The life of the baptized—to be rooted and built up in Christ Jesus the Lord—is to be rooted in prayer. God hears and answers prayer and so strengthens God’s own. “When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.”

PRELUDE

*Choral Song
Andante (Concerto No. 2)*

Samuel Wesley
George Frederick Handel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

GATHERING HYMN # 776 "What God Ordains Is Good Indeed"

THE LITURGY OF HOLY BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

*The candidate for baptism, parents, sponsors, gather around the font.
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 candidate

We present *Madeline Marie Harris Cafferty* 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 invited:

to live among God's faithful people,
to receive the word of God and the holy supper,
to offer your hearts to God in prayer,
to nurture others in faith and prayer,
so that we may all learn to trust God,
to proclaim Christ through word and deed,
to live in the spirit of the gospel, of love, peace, and forgiveness,
to care for others and the world God made,
and to work for justice and peace.

Parents, do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?

We do.

The minister addresses the assembly

People of God, do you promise to support and nurture *Madeline Marie* in the Christian faith,
to pray for her 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.

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 evil 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.**

Parents, 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 is 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
Madeline Marie Harris Cafferty*

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 us all.
By your Spirit proclaim 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

Madeline Marie, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

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

Sustain *Madeline Marie* 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.*

Madeline Marie, 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.

Following this expression of faith and life, all gathered at the front face the assembly while a representative of the congregation speaks

Let us welcome our 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 who has drawn us by the love of Christ Jesus.
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

All face the presider for the following blessing.

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

The baptismal party return to their seats.

BAPTISMAL HYMN # 453 "Baptized and Set Free"

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

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more than ready to hear our prayers,
and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy.
Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING: Psalm 138 Translated by Nan C. Merrill *(congregation reads the bold)*

I give You thanks, Blessed One, with my whole heart;
before all the people I sing your praise;

**I was humbled when I came to see that You dwell in me,
in the Sacred Chapel of all souls;**

my gratitude knows no bounds!

For You are the Holy One, the Life of our life.

**On the day that I called, You answered me;
the strength of my soul You increased.**

All the leaders of the earth shall one day praise You,
when your Spirit Awakens in every heart;
and they shall proclaim the new dawn of Light and Love.

Great will be the radiation of your Glory!
For even as You are the Most High, You are Friend to the lowly;
the arrogant close their hearts to your love and guidance.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You preserve my life;
You are a very Presence as I face my fears and doubts;
Your strength upholds me.

You guide me as I pray to fulfill my purpose on earth;
You do not forsake those who call upon You.
Your steadfast Love and Truth endures forever.

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

SECOND READING: Colossians 2:6-19

Paul warns his congregation in Colossae about “the empty lure” of philosophies and traditions that compromise faith. Through the gift of faith, the church is mystically connected with Christ in his death and resurrection, which is enacted in baptism.

⁶As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. ⁸See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹²when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it. ¹⁶Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. ¹⁷These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. ¹⁸Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, ¹⁹and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*sung twice before and after 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 11:1-10

In teaching his disciples this prayer, Jesus also reminds them to focus on God's coming reign, God's mercy, and the strengthening of the community. Jesus encourages his disciples to child-like trust and persistence in prayer.

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

¹[Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."²He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come."³Give us each day our daily bread.⁴And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."⁵And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread;⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.'⁷And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.'⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs."⁹So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

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

HOMILY *Silence for reflection follows*

HYMN OF THE DAY # 746 *“Our Father, God in Heaven Above”*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Each portion of the prayers ends with these words: “Gracious God: **We trust in you.**”*

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 *Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying* Jack Schrader

*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.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the saints in heaven,
we sing together in praise:

“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY” (see facing page)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho-
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
 est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (*Prayer over the gifts*)

In the night of his offering,
 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 to remember 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 free us to live transformed and renewed.

Let us pray together the prayer Jesus taught us:

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. **Grape juice is available pre-poured in the trays.** Please note that full communion is received when only one of the elements is consumed.*

HYMNS DURING THE MEAL # 790 "Day By Day"

Evening Prayer

Engelbert Humperdinck

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 life-giving presence 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

God Almighty send you light and truth to keep you all the days of your life.

The hand of God protect you; the holy angels accompany you;

and the blessing of almighty God,

the Creator, the ☩ Redeemer, and the Sustainer, be with you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN # 849 "Yours, Lord, Is the Glory"

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

POSTLUDE

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Michael Burkhardt

This morning we welcome *Madeline Marie Harris Cafferty* into the Body of Christ through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Madeline is the daughter of Cecilia Harris and Patrick Cafferty, the granddaughter of Lanny and Sylvia Harris. Her sponsors are Andrew Harris, Mario and Eliana Canseco who are with us today, and Gabriel Robichaud who lives in Montreal.

This Week

Monday

Centering Prayer, 7:15 pm

Wednesday

Communion Service at St. Thomas, 10 am

Next Sunday

Pentecost 11, 10:30 am

Pr. Lori-Anne will start her holidays today after the service and will return to the office on August 25. Friends InDeed is here to support members throughout the summer. Pr. Margaret Marquardt 604-253-0379. For pastoral emergency, please contact the church office or the following pastors:
July 24-31: Pr. Michael Batten
604-434-6111
Aug 4-16: Pr. Nathan Fong
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Aug 17-24: Pr. Jennifer Wilson
604-584-0111

Congratulations to Veronica Okoree and Boadu Sarpong on the birth of a baby boy, Samuel, on July 20th at Burnaby General Hospital.

Jeanette Price will be on holidays after the service this morning and will return on August 3.

A walk to support Parkinson's Disease research will be held September 12, 2016 from 1:30-3:30 PM at Confederation Track, 4548 Albert Street in Burnaby. Members and friends are encouraged to attend to support this worthy cause. Posters with more information are posted in the narthex. All who register and walk will receive a free T-shirt. Please indicate your name and T-shirt size on the yellow sheet in the narthex.

Our Fifth Annual Super Walk in Burnaby coincides with the 500th Anniversary of Luther! With consultation we have decided (for church walkers) to recycle new or near new T-shirts from a former year. Their vibrant green will remind us of the 500,000 trees to be planted before 2017!

Coffee hour hosts are needed for the month of August and September. Please consider serving on a Sunday that works for you. Sign-up sheet in the narthex.

The refugee committee wants to extend our support of Naw Lwe and her family for a further three months. We have some funds to cover this but are **\$1750** short of the total needed. If you would like to contribute please donate to the love fund with the direction "For Refugees".

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Each portion of the prayers ends with these words: “Gracious God: **We trust in you.**”*

Rooted in Christ and rising to serve, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.
A brief silence.

Faithful God, through diverse cultures and countries, your Spirit weaves us together as one church. Help us all, your disciples, to ask for the things we need, confident that you hear us. Keep the newly baptized, especially Madeline, in your loving care.
Gracious God: **We trust in you.**

Call us to notice places and people you created but we often forget. For busy places, for those working in the noon heat, in the silence of the night, and in care of your creation.
Gracious God: **We trust in you.**

Bring peace where strife is found, where homes have become battlegrounds *especially*... Empower leaders and organizations to find solutions through persistence and faith.
Gracious God: **We trust in you.**

Seek after us wherever we are found in these summer months. Grant safety to those who travel, sabbath rest to those who vacation, and perseverance to those who have no leisure time. Gracious God: **We trust in you.**

Turn our hearts to the cries of those in great need. Comfort and heal those who feel defined by situation, grief, or sickness. We pray *especially for*... and for those whom we name aloud or silently in our heart. . . . Gracious God: **We trust in you.**

Join our prayers with those ancestors and saints who taught us to pray. We remember those who have died in faith, with the comfort that your steadfast love endures forever. We remember *especially* ... and those whom we name aloud or silently in our heart. . . .
Gracious God: **We trust in you.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Would you like to add a prayer petition on Sundays? We invite you to write down your prayer request on the music stand in the narthex, which will be included each Sunday in the prayers of the people. Please note that prayer petitions will be refreshed each week.