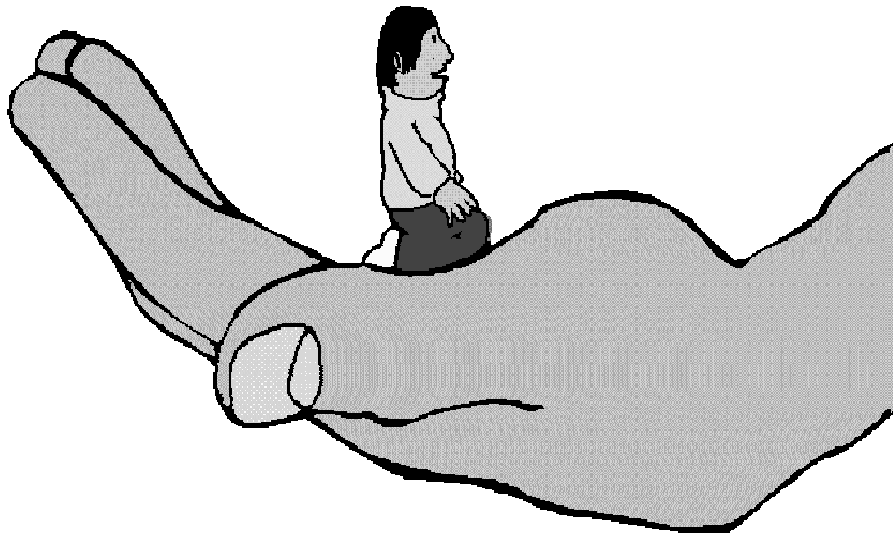




# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA



TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
NOVEMBER 13, 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 - 41<sup>st</sup> 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 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. The wheelchair entrance is also the office entrance on 42<sup>nd</sup> 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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***Those Serving the Servants Today***

<i>Presider/Homilist</i>	Pr. Lori-Anne Boutin-Crawford
<i>Assisting Minister</i>	Sylvia Harris
<i>Lector</i>	Janet Ray
<i>Ministry of Music</i>	
<i>Organist/Pianist</i>	Jeanette Price
<i>Cantor</i>	Lorna Hau
<i>Flutist</i>	Anne Johnson
<i>Trumpeter</i>	Karl Maier
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	Alex Wilson Deanna Wilson
<i>Tray Holders</i>	Ashlee Van Spronsen Stephanie Van Spronsen
<i>Communion Servers</i>	Janet Ray Alex Wilson Deanna Wilson Lanny Harris
<i>Coffee Hour Hosts</i>	Deanna Wilson
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Janet Schreiber Patricia Manu Jordan Manu
<i>Offering Counters</i>	Alex Wilson Lanny Harris

**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 Betty Wong at 604-301-9381.**

**TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**NOVEMBER 13, 2016**  
**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 end is near. There is no doubt about it. The warnings are dire. The tone of today's texts is ominous. But the baptized know how to live in the "meantimes." The baptized are strengthened for the living of these days in word and sacrament. The baptized rally around the invitation of the apostle: "Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right."*

**PRELUDE**

*On Wings of Song  
Beautiful Saviour*

Felix Mendelssohn  
arr. Winston Cassler

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING**

**GATHERING HYMN # 597 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"**

**THE LITURGY OF HOLY BAPTISM**

**PRESENTATION**

*The candidates 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 candidates*

We present *Irene Margaret MacLeod and Samuel Israel Sarpong* 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 *Irene Margaret and Samuel Israel*,  
in the Christian faith, to pray for them as you are empowered by God's Spirit,  
and to help them 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?	<b>I renounce them.</b>
Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?	<b>I renounce them.</b>
Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?	<b>I renounce them.</b>

*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 children whatever the future may bring, to respect them wherever they may go, and to remember always that your children 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 names of the candidates are spoken aloud  
Irene Margaret MacLeod / Samuel Israel Sarpong.*

May these names 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*

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters, and by your Word, you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. You are the fire of rebirth. You pour out your Spirit upon your people. You lead your people into freedom. You breathe new life into our dry bones. Your Son Jesus sends the Spirit to us that the world may know your peace and truth.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above of all we praise you for the new life in Jesus Christ.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, and breathe new life into us all. Renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. Proclaim us all as your children and lead us to serve you, through the grace of our Saviour Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## THE HOLY WASHING

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

*Irene Margaret / Samuel Israel, 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 *Irene Margaret / Samuel Israel* 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.*

*Irene Margaret / Samuel Israel, 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 each 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 parties 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: Trustworthy God, the protector of all, in you we have strength and wholeness. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our beloved guide, we may live through what is temporary while keeping in sight what is eternally of you, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

**WORD**

**FIRST READING: Malachi 4:1-2a**

*Malachi, whose name means “my messenger,” warns that the day of the Lord is coming. On that day, the evil will be destroyed like stubble in a fire, but the “sun of righteousness” will shine on those who fear God.*

<sup>1</sup>See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2a</sup>But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

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

**PSALM 98** *(cantor sings the refrain; then all sing refrain)*

*Tone*



*Refrain*



In righ-teous-ness will the LORD judge the world.

Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done <sup>1</sup>marvelous things,  
whose right hand and holy arm have <sup>1</sup>won the victory.

**<sup>2</sup>O LORD, you have made <sup>1</sup>known your victory,  
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight <sup>1</sup>of the nations.**

<sup>3</sup>You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the <sup>1</sup>house of Israel;  
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory <sup>1</sup>of our God.  
<sup>4</sup>**Shout with joy to the LORD, <sup>1</sup>all you lands; lift up your voice, re- <sup>1</sup>joice, and sing. R**  
<sup>5</sup>Sing to the LORD <sup>1</sup>with the harp, with the harp and the <sup>1</sup>voice of song.  
<sup>6</sup>**With trumpets and the sound <sup>1</sup>of the horn shout with joy before the <sup>1</sup>king, the LORD.**  
<sup>7</sup>Let the sea roar, and <sup>1</sup>all that fills it, the world and those who <sup>1</sup>dwell therein.  
<sup>8</sup>**Let the rivers <sup>1</sup>clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,  
who comes to <sup>1</sup>judge the earth.**  
<sup>9</sup>The LORD will judge the <sup>1</sup>world with righteousness and the peo- <sup>1</sup>ples with equity. R

**SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13**

*Some members of the Thessalonian community, because of their belief in the nearness of Christ's return, had ceased to work, living off the generosity of other members of the community. Paul warns them bluntly that if they want to eat, they need to work.*

<sup>6</sup>Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us.  
<sup>7</sup>For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, <sup>8</sup>and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. <sup>9</sup>This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. <sup>10</sup>For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. <sup>11</sup>For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. <sup>12</sup>Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. <sup>13</sup>Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*sung twice before and after reading*) 212 **"You Belong to Christ"**

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system contains the lyrics: "You be - long to Christ, in whom you have been bap - tized." The second system contains the lyrics: "al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." The music is a simple, hymn-like setting with a steady bass line and a melody in the treble.



## **GOSPEL: Luke 21:5-19**

*As history moves toward God's fulfillment there will be frightening signs and events. Before the end, believers will draw strength from their relationship to God and shall be given the words they need to testify and to endure without fear.*

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

<sup>5</sup>When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, <sup>6</sup>“As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.” <sup>7</sup>They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” <sup>8</sup>And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them. <sup>9</sup>“When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” <sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; <sup>11</sup>there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. <sup>12</sup>“But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. <sup>13</sup>This will give you an opportunity to testify. <sup>14</sup>So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; <sup>15</sup>for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup>You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. <sup>17</sup>You will be hated by all because of my name. <sup>18</sup>But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup>By your endurance you will gain your souls.”

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

**HOMILY**      *Silence for reflection follows*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**      # 721 “*Goodness Is Stronger Than Evil*” (sing 2X)

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Each portion of the prayers ends with these words: “God of Grace: **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**      *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. **Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. 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)*

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** # 711 “O Day of Peace”

# 483 “Here is Bread”

Sanctus (German Mass)

Franz Schubert

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray. **We give you thanks, shepherding God, that you have gathered your scattered flock again this day, feeding us richly with gift of grace. Accompany us as we serve you all the days of our lives, and gather us with the saints; through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord. Amen.**

**SENDING**

**BLESSING**

God who loves us, who gives us eternal consolation and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word; and the blessing of almighty God, the Creator, the ☩ Redeemer, and the Sustainer, be with you now and forever. **Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN** # 757 “All My Hope on God Is Founded”

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

**POSTLUDE**

*Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring*

Johann Sebastian Bach

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This morning we welcome *Irene Margaret MacLeod* and *Samuel Israel Sarpong* into the Body of Christ through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Irene is the daughter of Amy and Justin MacLeod, the niece of Laura Collis and Geoff Martin, and the granddaughter of Linda and Russell Collins. Her sponsors are Laura Collins and Geoff Martin. Samuel is the son of Veronica Okoree-Sarpong and Boadu Sarpong, the nephew of Felix Opoku, Emmanuel Manu, Patricia Manu and Francis Antobre, the cousin of Jordan Manu and Skylar Antobre, and the grandson of Felicia Quayson. Her sponsors are Pr. Sylvia and Pr. Paul Schmidt.

## **This Week**

### **Today**

Confirmation, 3-4:15 PM

### **Monday**

Exploring Music, 4 pm  
Centering Prayer, 7:15 pm

### **Wednesday**

Communion Service at St. Thomas, 10 am  
Soup meal, 5:30 PM  
Joint Book Study, 6:30-7:30 PM  
Exploring Worship, 7 PM

### **Thursday**

Choir, 7:30 pm

### **Saturday**

Area Ministry Team Meeting, 10AM  
Mt. Olive Lutheran, Surrey  
(see announcement elsewhere)

### **Next Sunday**

Christ the King, 10:30 AM

Children's Worship (formerly known as Sunday School) will be held on the first and third Sunday of the month. The dates are:

Nov 20

Dec 4

## **CHRISTMAS BENEFIT CONCERT**

Presented by  
L'ARCHE Greater Vancouver  
Friday, November 25, 2016  
First Lutheran Church

Doors open at 7 PM  
Concert from 7:30 PM  
Receptions to follow

Free admission with an opportunity to support the work of L'ARCHE  
[www.larchevancouver.org](http://www.larchevancouver.org)

Contact Jayde for more info.  
604-435-9544 ext 33 or  
[development\\_assistant@larchevancouver.org](mailto:development_assistant@larchevancouver.org)

## **Mark Your Calendar!**

### **Congregation Caroling in the neighbourhood on Wednesday, December 14!**

5:30 PM Soup Meal at FLC  
6:30 - 8 PM Caroling

All are welcome! For more info, please talk with Transforming Community Connection Committee - Arvid Vimb, Pr. Adolf Manz, Donna Dufresne, Karen Duddy and Elina Singh.

### **Sign Up for Our Joint Book Study - "Sabbath As Resistance"**

Feeling the pressures of living in a fast-paced world? Looking for a space to hear something different? **Join us November 16, 23, and 30, 6:30-7:30 PM** as we explore how our Sabbath rest is a resistance to a culture of now.

### **Confirmation Class Schedule**

3 - 4:15 PM on Sundays

Nov 27

Dec 11

## AREA MINISTRY TEAM

At the Synod Convention held on September 17 the Conferences in BC were reconfigured. Now they are divided into 4 regions. Greater Vancouver pairs up with Fraser Valley (25 churches in this new area) to become the Lower Mainland Region. Regional Leadership Teams are comprised of Rostered personnel, who will be meeting 4 times/yr. Within our Region there will be 4 Area Ministry Teams consisting of 6-7 churches. Each team will meet 4 times/yr, one being the Fall Conference. Our team is made up of Trinity Delta, Mt Olive Surrey, Christ the King Surrey, Emmaus Burnaby, Grace Burnaby, and First Vancouver. **The first team meeting is scheduled on Saturday, November 19 at 10 AM at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, Surrey.** We are now looking for a group of 3-5 individuals along with Pr. Lori-Anne to join the area ministry team. The deadline to submit names to the Bishop is October 16th. Characteristics suggested are:

- Curiosity & willingness to learn
- Known & respected in congregation
- Willing to go outside the box
- Mix of perspectives
- Those who have time & capacity

**Please let the office know or see Pr. Lori-Anne AS SOON AS POSSIBLE if you are willing to become a team member.**

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### Leadership opportunities on Council

FLC Council is seeking volunteers to join the team and take on the following portfolios: Community Outreach, Education, Fellowship, and Worship&Music Liaison. Contact the church office for a description of the portfolio(s) that you are interested in.

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### Empty containers needed for take-home soup

The soup and bread group is in need of empty containers, such as those of yogurt or butter, to distribute the excess soup on Wednesday night. If you have some to donate, please drop off on Sunday.

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You are cordially invited to the **Installation of Rev. Christoph Reiners**  
**6:30 pm, Sunday, November 20, 2016**  
**Our Saviour Lutheran Church** (6340 No.4 Road, Richmond)

Rostered Ministers are invited to vest (white) for the evening Installation service.

**PURDYS CHOCOLATES PRE-CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER  
FLC is Group # 34497**

**What this is:**

Funds are needed for the ongoing upkeep, repairs and maintenance of our church building and grounds. 25% of the sales of Purdy's Chocolates will go directly to FLC's **Building & Maintenance Fund**.

**Where to find brochures:**

In the Narthex, in the Fellowship Hall, and near the church office.

**When:**

Orders must be turned in no later than **Sunday, Nov. 20**.

**How to order:**

**Two ways**

1) Give your order form with cheque or cash to: Janet Schreiber, Anne Johnson, Barbara Schaub, Christine Neumann or the church office.

Cheques are to be made to **FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH**.

**OR**

2) View the catalog and order online using your credit card. Our group number is **34497**.

You can register to shop at this link: [www.purdysgpp.com/join/34497](http://www.purdysgpp.com/join/34497)

**Pick up your chocolates:**

**Dec. 4 and Dec. 11** in the Fellowship Hall after the worship service.

*Thank you for helping us raise some much needed funds to keep our church building in good shape!*

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**Grey Cup Party is planned on Sunday, November 27 at around 3 PM**

Location to be announced

Please contact Debbie Powell if interested.  
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**Fellowship and Hospitality appreciates your continued donations of cookies, fruit, and home baking to enrich our coffee hour after worship. No obligation to host.**

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<b>Altar Guild Coordinator</b>	Janet Schreiber
<b>Liturgical Artists</b>	Linda Collins Marion Manz June Schramm

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### **Church Council**

Lanny Harris - Chairperson  
John Morley - Vice Chairperson & Property  
Ernie Neumann - Treasurer  
Jen Langerud - Secretary & Human Resources  
Sylvia Harris - Envelope Secretary  
Wayne Wong - Property and Fellowship & Hospitality  
Betty Wong - Fellowship and Hospitality  
Debbie Powell - Outreach Adult (seniors)  
Francis Antobre - Outreach Technology  
Felix Opoku - Outreach Youth & Young Adults  
Ray Hartley - Member at large

### **Mutual Ministry Committee:**

Sandi Strate - Chairperson  
Russell Collins  
Anne Johnson  
Arvid Vimb  
Shannon Ingersoll

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## **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

*Each portion of the prayers ends with these words: “God of Grace: **hear our prayer.**”*

With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world,  
we offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation. *A brief silence.*

For the church, for missionaries and teachers, clergy and laity, and all ministers  
who proclaim the gospel in word and deed, that the Sun of righteousness enlighten the whole  
earth. God of Grace: **hear our prayer.**

For rivers and lakes, hills and mountains, fruit and vegetables, and animals great and small,  
that creation thrive and that we care for all God has given us.  
God of Grace: **hear our prayer.**

For all in authority at the local, state, provincial, national, and international levels,  
for those who advocate for equity, and for relief workers and their supporters.  
God of Grace: **hear our prayer.**

For those gathered in this place to hear the gospel and receive the good gifts of God through  
Christ Jesus, that guided by the Holy Spirit, we serve our neighbour who is in need.  
God of Grace: **hear our prayer.**

For those who hunger or thirst, for those who doubt or are terrified, for those who suffer in  
body, mind, or spirit, and for caregivers, that all experience the healing and comfort given  
through Christ, especially Irene and Samuel. We pray especially for... and for those whom  
we name aloud or silently in our heart. . . . God of Grace: **hear our prayer.**

In thanksgiving for men and women of every time and place who have died in Christ,  
and that we follow their examples of faithful living. We remember especially ...  
and those whom we name aloud or silently in our heart. . . .  
God of Grace: **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, you have promised to hear those who call upon your name. We commend all  
our spoken and silent prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through your Son,  
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.*