



# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA



THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
JUNE 18, 2017

**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. Michael Rodgers
<i>Assisting Minister</i>	Karen Duddy
<i>Lector</i>	Pr. Adolf Manz
<i>Ministry of Music</i>	
<i>Organ/Piano</i>	Jeanette Price
<i>Flutist</i>	Anne Johnson
<i>Trumpeter</i>	Karl Maier
<i>Violinist</i>	Elina Singh
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	Alex Wilson Deanna Wilson
<i>Tray Holders</i>	Ruby Carson Melody Tymm
<i>Communion Servers</i>	Alex Wilson Deanna Wilson Eulalie Niyungeko Ingrid Bielenberg
<i>Coffee Hour Hosts</i>	Pr. Sylvia and Paul Schmidt
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Ingrid Anderson Patricia Manu Jordan Manu
<i>Offering Counters</i>	Betty Wong Tony Wong

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

## THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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*Holy Communion, Setting Ten*

*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

*Moses tells the Israelites that they are called to be a priestly kingdom and a holy people. Jesus sends out the disciples as laborers into the harvest. In baptism we too are anointed for ministry, sharing God's compassion with our needy world. From the Lord's table, we go forth to proclaim the good news, to heal the sick, and to share our bread with the hungry.*

### PRELUDE

*Largo (Concerto in D)*

Antonio Vivaldi

*Andante (Concerto No. 2)*

George Frederic Handel

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

## GATHERING

### GATHERING HYMN

# 883 "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" v. 3, organ

### GREETING

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.**

### KYRIE

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### SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray: God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## WORD

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### FIRST READING: Exodus 19:2-8a

*At Sinai God assured Israel, "You shall be my treasured possession," and commissioned them to serve as mediating priests for the nations. The people commit themselves completely to God's will.*

<sup>2</sup>[The Israelites] had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain.<sup>3</sup>Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: <sup>4</sup>You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup>Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, <sup>6</sup>but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.”

<sup>7</sup>So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. <sup>8a</sup>The people all answered as one: “Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do.”

*Response:* Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 100**      (*Congregation reads the bold.*)

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, <sup>1</sup>all you lands!

<sup>2</sup>Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence <sup>1</sup>with a song.

<sup>3</sup>**Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom <sup>1</sup>we belong;  
we are God's people and the sheep <sup>1</sup>of God's pasture.**

<sup>4</sup>Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the <sup>1</sup>courts with praise;  
give thanks and bless God's <sup>1</sup>holy name.

<sup>5</sup>**Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is <sup>1</sup>everlasting,  
whose faithfulness endures from <sup>1</sup>age to age.**

**SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-8**

*We are no longer God's enemies but have peace with God, because we were brought into a right relationship with God through Christ's death. A tested character has been forged for us which empowers endurance in the midst of suffering and hope for final salvation.*

<sup>1</sup>Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
<sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast  
in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our  
sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces  
character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us,

because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup>But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

*Response:* Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*please rise.*)

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**GOSPEL: Matthew 9:35--10:8**

*The mission of Jesus' followers is to continue the mission of Jesus himself. Here, he instructs his first disciples how they might proclaim the gospel through their words and deeds.*

*Response after announcement:* **Glory to you, O God.**

<sup>35</sup>Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. <sup>36</sup>When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup>Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup>therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." <sup>10:1</sup>Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup>These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; <sup>3</sup>Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup>Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. <sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, <sup>6</sup>but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup>As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' <sup>8</sup>Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

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

**HOMILY** *(Silence for reflection follows)*

**HYMN OF THE DAY** # 704 *“When Pain in the World Surrounds Us”*

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

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

**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**OFFERING/OFFERTORY** *Fur Elise*

Ludwig Van Beethoven

**OFFERTORY PRAYER** *(All rise)*

Let us pray: **Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## MEAL

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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**“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”**

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**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** *(Prayer over the gifts)*

**THE 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**

The holy gifts of God for you, the holy people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

**“LAMB OF GOD”**

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*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.*

**MUSIC DURING COMMUNION # 824 “This Is My Father’s World”**

*Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy’s Sake* Richard Farrant

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** *(please rise)*

Let us pray. **Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. Amen.**

**SENDING**

**BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favour and +give you peace. **Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN # 661 “I Love to Tell the Story”**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Love one another. **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*Chaconne*

Andre Campra

## **This Week**

### **Monday**

Centering Prayer, 7:15 PM

### **Thursday**

Friends InDeed Training Cancelled

### **Saturday**

Neighbourhood BBQ, 11 am - 2 PM

### **Next Sunday**

Pentecost 4, 10:30 AM

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Calling First Lutheran to come celebrate with us! Claire and Marly were married here 5 years ago by Pr. Lori-Anne. Join us as a special blessing is said during Sunday service June 25<sup>th</sup>, then let's share fellowship downstairs...all are welcome!

— Marly and Claire

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### **SOUP DINNER RESUMES IN FALL**

**Please note that through the warm months of June, July and August we will not host mid-week soup dinners. Wednesday soup meal will resume in the fall.**

Our thanks to Pr. Michael Rodgers to lead the worship this morning as Pr. Lori-Anne is on sick leave. Please contact Pr. Nathan Fong for pastoral emergency at 604-433-1515 or pastor@graceburnaby.com. For all other concerns please contact Karen Duddy. Pr. Lori-Anne will return to the office on June 21.

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### **Table Talk**

We are trying something new on Sundays during the coffee hour, starting today!

Table Talk is an opportunity to engage in conversations beyond small talk and everyday greetings. Every other Sunday, one of the tables downstairs has been set aside for this conversation. The table is clearly marked, and there will be questions to talk about. Participation is voluntary, but encouraged if you are looking to get to know others at First better.



## **Training Cancelled on June 22**

Friends InDeed training on June 22nd is cancelled.

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**The Altar Guild needs more volunteers. There is a lot that goes on before and after a worship service! Would you like to learn how to set up the altar for communion? We will teach you! Or you could choose to be on the clean up crew, and learn how to wash and store the communion vessels after worship is finished. Know that you are welcome to join the team! If you are interested, please contact**

**Janet Schreiber ([janetmts0108@gmail.com](mailto:janetmts0108@gmail.com))**

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*You, the congregation,  
are invited to a Parkinson Potluck Party  
to celebrate the 50th Anniversary  
of Linda and John Dawson.*

After the morning service  
July 2, 2017 at FLC

Please bring your favourite appetizers, casserole, platter or dessert to share.

In lieu of gifts, a donation may be made  
to either BC Parkinson Society or FLC. You may also bring non-perishables  
for the food bank.

Please sign the list in the narthex  
if you are coming.  
Please also sign on a "Helper" list also.

***Free! COMMUNITY BBQ***  
*11 am – 2 pm, Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>*

First Lutheran Church  
Food, live music, kids' activities

We're looking for a few volunteers to help plan and coordinate the food, entertainment, publicity, etc... Please talk to Elina Singh or Janet Ray for more details, or if you're able to help.

Note: This year we're working together with St. Thomas Anglican, as well as the Chinese Methodist church worshipping at First Lutheran on Sunday afternoons. In order to get to meet each other before the BBQ, we're having a short gathering today after church, at around 12:30 pm. Come and meet everyone!

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**ELCIC Members Encouraged to Support Stop Famine Together Appeal**

More than 20 million people in South Sudan, Yemen, Somalia and Nigeria are facing a food crisis and in need of urgent humanitarian aid. In addition, the countries of Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, Niger, Chad and Cameroon, are facing their own hunger crises or are feeling the effects from their neighbours. The [Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada \(ELCIC\)](#), through its partnership with [Canadian Lutheran World Relief \(CLWR\)](#), calls on its members to respond through prayer and financial support to help meet the needs of drought-affected people through the promotion of climate resilient food production.

The Government of Canada announced that for every eligible donation made by individual Canadians to registered Canadian charities between **March 17 and June 30, 2017**, it will contribute an equivalent amount to the Famine Relief Fund.

If you have any questions about this, please contact:

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## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

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

Called together in the Spirit's embrace, let us pray for the mending of God's world.  
*A brief silence.*

Steadfast God, you send your church as laborers into your harvest. Heal our divisions and unite us in mission. Make us one at your table. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Faithful Creator, protect your earth and breathe life into its future. Stir our hearts to compassion, that we become healers for the sake of your whole creation as it is made new. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Holy One, you desire peace for all nations. Give rulers and citizens wisdom in the use of power, that wars may cease and all who suffer exile, hunger, and terror find safe haven. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Abba, Father, your love for your children is boundless. Bless all who father among us and all who yearn for a protective father. Grant wisdom, patience, and good humor. Thank you for those who have shown us fatherly care. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Compassionate One, you have brought us to yourself. Stay near to all who suffer broken hearts, fearful spirits, and disruptive illness. Bring healing and hope to your people. We pray *especially for...and* for those whom we name aloud or silently in our heart. . . . Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Living Lord, all who live and all who die belong to you. Thank you for all whose lives have witnessed to your glory. Comfort all who mourn. We remember *especially* ... and those whom we name aloud or silently in our heart. . Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

All these things, and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your care through 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.***