

Lenten Schedule



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA



February 17 Ash Wednesday, St. Thomas
7:00 pm

March 28 Palm/Passion Sunday
Begins at St. Thomas, 10:30
Procession to FLC

April 1 Maundy Thursday at FLC
with St. Thomas
Meal at 6:30 pm; Liturgy at 7:30 pm



April 2 Good Friday with St. Thomas
Begins at FLC, 10:30 am
Procession to St. Thomas

April 4 Easter Sunrise Service
at St. Thomas, 7:00 am
Easter Breakfast at FLC, 8:30 am
Festival Worship at FLC, 10:30 am



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Holy Communion, Setting Eight

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

Witnesses to the glory of God in the face of Jesus will be unable to avoid reflecting that glory in the world. It was true for Moses. It was doubtless true for Peter, James, and John. We pray that it will be true of all of us who see the glory of the Lord in the word and in the supper and who are being "transformed into the same image" by the Spirit of God.

Cyril, monk, died 869; Methodius, bishop, died 885; missionaries to the Slavs — These two brothers from Thessalonika, Greece, were monks and were sent to bring Christianity to the Slavic people. In the course of their work they created a written language, inventing the Cyrillic alphabet for it, and translated the Bible and the liturgy.

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| PRESERVICE MUSIC | <i>Christ thou Art Our Light and Day</i> <i>Andante Religioso</i> | George Bohm Alex Rowley |
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GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

“O Splendor of God’s Glory Night” Plainsong Mode 1 (sung by men’s choir)

GATHERING HYMN #318 “Alleluia, Song of Gladness” v. 3 - unaccompanied

GREETING/KYRIE *(Cantor sings verses, all sing refrain)* p. 184

“GLORY TO GOD” *(Cantor sings verses, all sing refrain)* p. 185

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Please Mark Your Calendar

**FLC’s
Annual General Meeting
(AGM)**

Friday, March 19, 2010

6:00 Set up

6:30 Potluck Dinner

7:15 Meeting

**National Worship Conference
July 4-7, 2010
Vancouver School of Theology
Vancouver, BC**

A biennial conference sponsored by the ELCIC and the Anglican Church in Canada. This year’s theme is *“Taking Care of the Neighbourhood: Worship as Public Work for the Common Good.”*

Speakers include Sallie McFague, Doug Todd, Mark MacDonald, and Karen Ward as well as skilled workshop facilitators.

**“A Company of Instruments” —
a baroque orchestra will present a
Benefit Concert for the Lennikov
family.**

The event titled “Mostly Mozart” will also feature 3 guest vocal soloists.

One performance will be at Redeemer Lutheran on Tuesday, March 23 at 7:30 pm; a second performance will be here at **FLC on Friday, March 26 at 7:00 pm.**

A reception will follow the Friday concert.

Admission by donation. All funds raised to go to the “Lennikov Legal Fund.”

More info from the posters on the narthex bulletin board.



Announcements

This Week

Wednesday

Ash Wednesday service
7:00 pm
St. Thomas Anglican

Thursday

Choir, 7:30 pm

Next Sunday

Sunday School, 9:15 am
Worship, 10:30 am

Pr. Hergy to Winnipeg

Pr. Hergy will be in Winnipeg from Thursday to Saturday (February 18 - 20) to deliver two presentations on multicultural ministry to members of the ELCIC Missions Committee. He will be back leading the worship next Sunday.

Please remember our **Ash Wednesday service at 7:00 pm at St. Thomas Anglican.**

All are encouraged to begin their Lenten journey toward the cross and tomb by being marked with a cross of ashes.



Lenten Book Study



Beginning **next Wednesday, February 24th** and running for the next five Wednesdays, First Lutheran and St. Thomas Anglican will join in a Lenten book study. The text to be used is *Simply Christian* by the English

Anglican bishop, **N.T. Wright**. The books (\$20) are available this morning. Please see Pr. Hergy for a copy.

WORD

FIRST READING: Exodus 34:29-35

Moses' face shone with the reflected glory of God after he received the ten commandments on Mount Sinai. The sight caused the Israelites to be afraid, so Moses wore a veil to mask the radiance of God's glory, taking it off when he spoke directly with God.

²⁹Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. ³²Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Response after reading: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 99 (Sing responsively: Cantor first; then assembly)

Proclaim the greatness of the LORD; worship upon God's holy hill. (Ps. 99:9)

Refrain:



¹The LORD is king; let the ¹people tremble.
The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim; let ¹the earth shake.

²**The LORD, ¹great in Zion,
is high a- ¹bove all peoples.**

³Let them confess God's name, which is ¹great and awesome;
God is the ¹Holy One.

For the well-being of creation; for clean drinking water, unpolluted air, fertile soil, healthy livestock, renewable energy, and for all your creatures.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations of the world; for their leaders, their enemies, their poor, their economies, their use of power, and their willingness to care for their people.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For those in need; for families in crisis, for those who struggle to pay their bills, for those addicted, for those abused, and for those who are sick and dying *especially*...

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For this congregation; for the people who live in this community, for the people who go past our doors wishing that they knew you, but never enter.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In thanksgiving for the blessed dead, those who died as martyrs, those who died at peace, those who died at the hands of others, those who died too young, those who died alone, and those who died serving you *especially Cyril and Methodius whom we commemorate today and ...* Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Good and gracious God, we ask all these things and whatever else you see that we need with a sure and certain hope in your goodness and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *O That I Had a Thousand Voices* Paul Manz

OFFERTORY PRAYER (*All rise*)

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Prayer over the gifts)

...let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*Sing Alleluia verse before and after reading*)

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GOSPEL: Luke 9:28–43a

The conversation about Jesus' suffering and death is enclosed in a dazzling foreshadowing of the resurrection. God affirms Jesus' identity, the disciples are stunned speechless, and Jesus resumes his mission with a demonstration of his power over evil.

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

²⁸Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" — not knowing what he said. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen listen to him!" ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

³⁷On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. ³⁸Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. ³⁹Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. ⁴⁰I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." ⁴¹Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." ⁴²While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. ⁴³And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

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

HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY #316 *“Oh, Wondrous Image, Vision Fair”*
v. 3 - women; v. 4 - men

THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Drawn to the light of Christ, made bold in the waters of baptism, and filled with the Spirit, we lift up our prayers in confidence that God loves and listens to us. *A brief silence.*

We pray for the church, that it might shine like the sun to people who live in the gloom of this world. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**