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Vancouver School of Theology  
Vancouver, British Columbia

The National Worship Conference is a biennial conference sponsored by [the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada](#) and [the Anglican Church of Canada](#).

This year's theme, 'Taking Care of the Neighbourhood: Worship as Public Work for the Common Good', will guide us as we explore how worship shapes us to care for our communities and our world. Speakers include Sallie McFague, Doug Todd, Mark MacDonald, and Karen Ward as well as skilled workshop facilitators.

**If you are interested in attending this conference, please see Pr. Peter Fischer for more information or visit [www.nationalworshipconference.org](http://www.nationalworshipconference.org)**

## FUNDRAISING

The BC Synod in convention has authorized a special fundraising appeal to address the current financial shortcoming of the synod.

Please prayerfully consider making a donation to the Synod's "Season of Pentecost Synod Fund" using the BC Synod envelopes in the narthex.

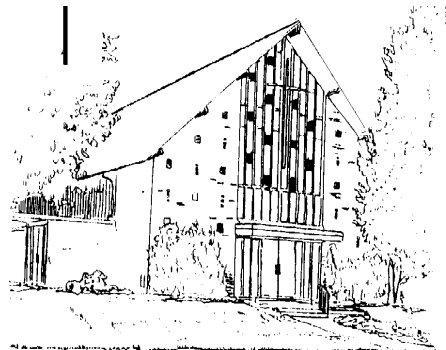
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*Financial support* of our congregation's life and mission is provided by the donations of our members given in thankful response to the generosity shown by God in the gifts given to us. Offerings of any amount are gratefully accepted and joyfully spent in our service to Christ and to others.

*Have you remembered First Lutheran in your will?* Consider how a bequest or gift might continue supporting our mission and ministry.



# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
JUNE 20, 2010

## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*Holy Communion, Setting Seven*

**JUNE 20, 2010**

*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

*This Sunday's texts paint startling pictures of the horrific—the demonic—nature of sin. The church's repeated celebration of the holy communion counters that tragic reality in a continued showing forth of the death of Jesus "until he comes." It is a dramatic declaration of "how much God has done for you."*

### PRESERVICE MUSIC

*Aria  
Prelude in D Minor*

Flor Peeters  
Antonio Vivaldi

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## GATHERING

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### GATHERING HYMN #673 "God Whose Almighty Word"

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### SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen**

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## WORD

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### FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:1–14

*Elijah has defeated the prophets of Baal through the power of the Lord. Now, fleeing from Queen Jezebel, Elijah comes to Mount Horeb (another name for Sinai). God appears to him there not in power but in "a sound of sheer silence" and reassures him that he is not alone.*

# Announcements

## DO YOU HAVE A FAVOURITE HYMN?



Be sure to join us for worship on Sunday, **July 4th** when all the hymns will be selected by the congregation.

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## Ordination of the New Bishop

The ordination of the **Rev. Dr. Gregory Mohr** as Bishop of British Columbia of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada will be held at Mount Olive Lutheran Church (2350 148th Street Surrey) on **Monday, July 5, at 7:00 pm.**

**(Refreshments to follow)**

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**P**lease note that Barbara S. is still collecting Campbell's soup labels, used stamps and old eye glasses. If you have some at home that you want to get rid of, please pass them on to Barbara.



**FLC's  
Community  
Potluck Dinner**  
Friday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010,  
6:30 PM  
**Any and all are invited.**

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**Caleigh and Caitlin M.** would like to thank everyone who helped them raise \$250.00 for their school's "30 Hour Famine" fundraiser. The whole school raised \$16,000.00.

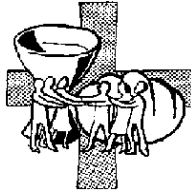
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**I**f anyone has or knows of a basement suite or small apartment available this fall for a female student, from Calgary, entering an MA programme at UBC, please call the church office as quickly as possible.

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## FURNITURE NEEDED

Joel Gahungu and his son have just moved in to their new place and need 2 double size beds and a couch. If any of you or you know someone who have something to donate, please call the church office.



*It is Christ himself who invites all the baptized members of God's family — and all our guests — 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. After receiving the bread into the open, upraised palm, all may drink from the first (common) cup or if desired, have an individual glass filled from the second (pouring) cup.*

**MUSIC DURING COMMUNION**

**#708 “Jesu, Jesus, Fill Us with Your Love”**  
*Children of the Heavenly Father*

Don Hustad

**BLESSING OF THE COMMUNICANTS** *(All rise)*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

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**SENDING**

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**BENEDICTION**

**SENDING HYMN #620 “How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”**  
*(v.3 - women; v.4 - men; v.5 - organ)*

**DISMISSAL**

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

**POSTLUDE**

*Trumpet Voluntary*

Henry Purcell

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Rev. Tyler Gingrich and All Saints Lutheran in Kelowna are having a

**COOKIE RECIPE CONTEST**

Any and all are invited to send in "healthy cookie recipes" (which are *delicious and tasty*, of course!) to All Saints' nationwide Cookie Contest in order to come up with an All Saints signature cookie.

The cookie says something about hospitality and generosity which we hold dearly at All Saints, and which are key to what we believe as Lutherans and Christians, more generally. Please send in recipes by **June 30** to **Cathryn Aune** (email: [lcaune@telus.net](mailto:lcaune@telus.net)).

Please spread the word!

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. <sup>2</sup>Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." <sup>3</sup>Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

<sup>4</sup>But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." <sup>5</sup>Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." <sup>6</sup>He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. <sup>7</sup>The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." <sup>8</sup>He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. <sup>9</sup>At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" <sup>10</sup>He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

<sup>11</sup>He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; <sup>12</sup>and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. <sup>13</sup>When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" <sup>14</sup>He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

*Response after the reading: Thanks be to God.*

**PSALM 42-43**

*Send out your light and truth, that they may lead me. (Ps. 43:3)*

*Refrain:*



Send out your light and truth, that they may lead me.

<sup>1</sup>As the deer longs <sup>1</sup> for the water-brooks,  
so longs my soul for <sup>1</sup> you, O God.

<sup>2</sup>I thirst for God, for the <sup>1</sup> living God;  
when shall I come to appear before the pres- <sup>1</sup> ence of God?

<sup>3</sup>**My tears have been my food <sup>1</sup> day and night,**  
**while all day long they say to me, "Where now <sup>1</sup> is your God?"**

<sup>4</sup>**I pour out my soul when I think <sup>1</sup> on these things;**  
**how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God, with shouts of**  
**thanksgiving, among those <sup>1</sup> keeping festival. R**

<sup>5</sup>Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, and why are you so disquiet- <sup>1</sup> ed within me?  
Put your trust in God, for I will yet give thanks to the one who is my help <sup>1</sup> and my God.

<sup>6</sup>My soul is heav- <sup>1</sup> y within me;  
therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan, and from the peak of Mizar among  
the <sup>1</sup> heights of Hermon. **R**

<sup>7</sup>**One deep calls to another in the roar of <sup>1</sup> your cascades;**  
**all your rapids and floods have gone <sup>1</sup> over me.**

<sup>8</sup>**The LORD grants lovingkindness <sup>1</sup> in the daytime;**  
**in the night season the LORD's song is with me, a prayer to the God <sup>1</sup> of my life. R**

<sup>9</sup>I will say to the God of my strength, "Why have you re- <sup>1</sup> jected me,  
and why do I wander in such gloom while the enemy op- <sup>1</sup> presses me?"

<sup>10</sup>While my bones are being broken, my enemies mock me <sup>1</sup> to my face;  
all day long they mock me and say to me, "Where now <sup>1</sup> is your God?"

<sup>11</sup>**Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, and why are you so disquiet- <sup>1</sup> ed within me?**  
**Put your trust in God, for I will yet give thanks to the one who is my help <sup>1</sup> and my God.**

<sup>43:1</sup>**Give judgment for me, O God, and defend my cause against an un- <sup>1</sup> godly people;**  
**deliver me from the deceitful <sup>1</sup> and the wicked. R**

<sup>2</sup>For you are the God of my strength; why have you re- <sup>1</sup> jected me,  
and why do I wander in such gloom while the enemy op- <sup>1</sup> presses me?

<sup>3</sup>Send out your light and your truth, that <sup>1</sup> they may lead me,  
and bring me to your holy hill and to your <sup>1</sup> sanctuary;

<sup>4</sup>**that I may go to the altar of God, to the God of my <sup>1</sup> joy and gladness;**  
**and on the harp I will give thanks to you, O <sup>1</sup> God my God.**

<sup>5</sup>Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, and why are you so disquiet- <sup>1</sup> ed within me?  
Put your trust in God, for I will yet give thanks to the one who is my help <sup>1</sup> and my  
God. **R**

Tone:



You have made all creatures with care. Bless pet owners, farmers, animal rescue workers, veterinarians, and all who care for animals. Help us extend your love to all inhabitants of your creation. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You give hope to the captive and set the prisoners free. Be present in the lives of all who are imprisoned, guiding them to paths of reconciliation with those they have harmed. Restore the lives of all people affected by crime. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You give direction to those who are lost. Lessen confusion for those who live with mental illnesses, and provide clarity for all people in need *especially*... Make us all whole by your healing touch. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You give humankind a model for parental care. Raise up fathers to cherish children, and give them joy in their work. Send loving role models to children who do not know a nurturing father, that your love and care may abound. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** Here other intercessions may be offered.

You sent the Word made flesh to speak to people in time of greatest need. Make gospel stories speak to the stories of people in crisis and despair, that they may know the joy of the saints. Today we especially pray for the families of... Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Saviour. **Amen.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *Toccata in F* Dietrich Buxtehude

OFFERTORY PRAYER (*All rise*)

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## MEAL

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“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Prayer over the gifts)

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FRACTION The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

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boat and returned. <sup>38</sup>The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup>Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you. So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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

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

**HYMN OF THE DAY** #613 *“Thy Holy Wings”*

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**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.**

**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.**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

Gathered together as God's people in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. *A brief silence.*

Almighty God of promise, you have established a large family through your Son, Jesus. Send your children into the world preaching good news of salvation and welcoming home lost sisters and brothers. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

**SECOND READING: Galatians 3:23–29**

*For Paul, baptism is a powerful bond that unites people not only with God but with other believers. Those who call themselves children of God experience a transformation that removes prejudices of race, social class, or gender in favour of true unity in Christ.*

<sup>23</sup>Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, <sup>26</sup>for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. <sup>27</sup>As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. <sup>28</sup>There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup>And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

*Response after the reading:* **Thanks be to God.**

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

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**GOSPEL: Luke 8:26–39**

*Jesus' mission includes foreigners, and his authority extends to the casting out of demons. Some who witness Jesus' work are seized with confusion and fear, but the man who was healed is commissioned to give testimony of God's mercy and power.*

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

<sup>26</sup>Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" — <sup>29</sup>for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) <sup>30</sup>Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup>They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. <sup>32</sup>Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. <sup>34</sup>When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. <sup>36</sup>Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. <sup>37</sup>Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the