

Pr. Hergy and Trudy are moving into their new home **this coming Thursday, May 27**. Please call the church office at **604 435-6020** if you are available to help unpack some boxes at their new place at 7:00 pm.



Vision boards and speeches of those who were confirmed two Sundays ago are displayed on both sides of the sanctuary until the end of the school year.

Special note to the parents that they can pick up the baptismal banners that are hung behind the vision boards.

## FREE CANON PRINTER

For more info, please call Jackie C. at 604 951-0158



**July 4 - 7, 2010**  
**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](#). The Conference welcomes participation by clergy and laity of these two churches as well as clergy and laity from other churches who seek to build up the life of the Christian community through our worship so that we might serve the world God loves.

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. This year's 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)**

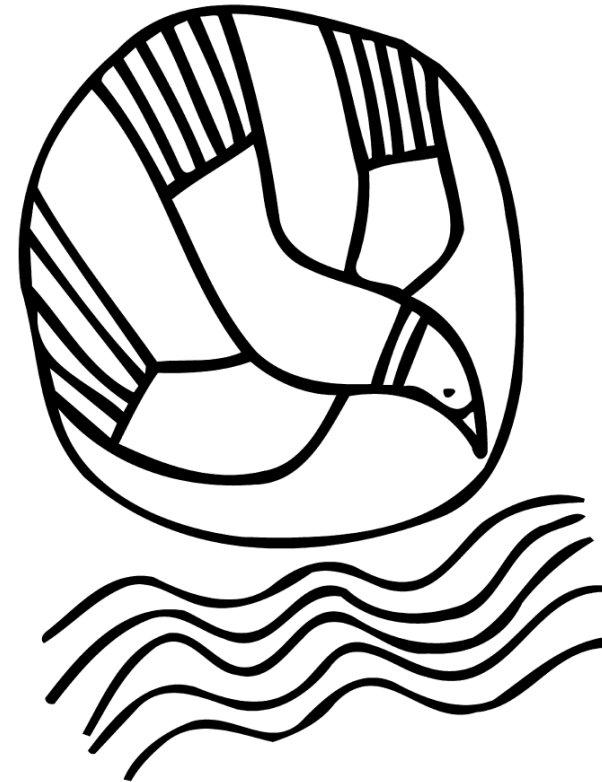


Please sign up on the worship leaders sign up sheet for June and July posted in the narthex bulletin board.



# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA



**DAY OF PENTECOST**  
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"Spoken Service"

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**

Pentecost is a day of promises fulfilled. The promised Spirit of God is poured out. The baptized have become "children of God" and "joint heirs with Christ." By the power of the Spirit we have seen the face of God in God's only begotten Son and been saved by him. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

**PRESERVICE MUSIC**

*Holy Spirit, Light Divine*  
*Ait (Westminster Suite)*

Healy Willan  
Henry Purcell

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**GATHERING**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INVOCATION #406 "Veni Sancte Spiritus"**

The congregation sings the following continuously while the cantor sings the verses and a selected group of members speak an invocation "Come Holy Spirit, Come" in their native tongue (or acquired language )

**GREETING**

**SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

# Announcements

**This Week**

**Next Sunday**  
Worship, 10:30 am

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**The Lutheran Campus  
Ministry at UBC  
is holding a fundraiser!**

**Today, May 23rd,**  
sopranos **Lorraine Reinhardt**  
**and Stephanie Olson**  
will give a recital at  
West Point Grey United Church  
(4595 W. 8th Ave., Vancouver).

Admission by donation.  
All proceeds will go towards  
Lutheran Campus Ministry, UBC.  
Concert begins at **3:00pm.**

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Special thanks to **Barbara S.** for all her hard work this past week in our flower beds. The church grounds look beautiful

**Pr. Peter Fischer's  
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**SUNDAY SCHOOL WRAP UP**

Many thanks to those who assisted with teaching this year and who shared their talents and donated craft supplies and our new cupboard. Many thanks to everyone (especially Mikhail) for gladly moving around us when we seemed to be in the middle of everywhere. The children are learning about the early church and have been enriched by hearing the stories of some of our current members.

**Please join us today for a party  
after church.**



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**Iconography, Imperial Concord,  
Imperial Wives and Ecclesial  
Harmony in the Pastoral Epistles**

A lecture by Professor Harry O. Maier  
of Vancouver School of Theology

Redeemer Lutheran Church  
1499 Laurier Avenue, Vancouver, BC

**Wednesday**  
**May 26, 2010, 7:30 PM**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

This is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

**Whoever eats this bread will live forever.**



*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

**#401 "Gracious Spirit"**

*Be Thou My Vision*

Paul Manz

## BLESSING OF THE COMMUNICANTS

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

## SENDING

## BENEDICTION

**SENDING HYMN**     **#399 "O Holy Spirit, Root of Life"**

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace to bear Christ's love to the world. **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Grand Choer*

Gordon Young

**First Lutheran truly is a snapshot of the realm of God. We are blessed with a beautiful diversity of faces, languages and cultures that enrich our worship and community. This morning we give thanks to all our worship leaders who offered an invocation of the spirit and/or a prayer petition in their native (or acquired) language.**

## WORD

### FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21

*Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told his disciples they would be filled with the Holy Spirit. Now, surrounded by signs of fire, wind, and a variety of languages in their midst, the people were amazed and astonished at Jesus' promise coming true.*

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. <sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs — in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." <sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup>In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. <sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. <sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. <sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

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

### PSALM 104:24-34, 35

*Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. (Ps. 104:30)*

*Refrain:*



Send forth your Spir - it and re - new the face of the earth.

<sup>24</sup>How manifold are your works, O LORD!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

<sup>25</sup>**Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.**

<sup>26</sup>There go the ships to and fro,  
and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

<sup>27</sup>**All of them look to you  
to give them their food in due season. R**

<sup>28</sup>You give it to them; they gather it;  
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

<sup>29</sup>**When you hide your face, they are terrified;  
when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

<sup>30</sup>You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;  
and so you renew the face of the earth.

<sup>31</sup>**May the glory of the LORD endure forever;  
O LORD, rejoice in all your works. R**

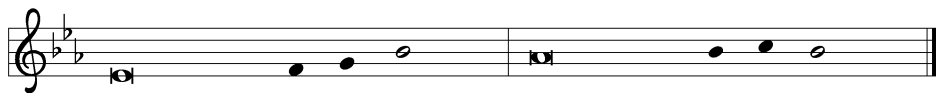
<sup>32</sup>You look at the earth and it trembles;  
you touch the mountains and they smoke.

<sup>33</sup>**I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;  
I will praise my God while I have my being.**

<sup>34</sup>May these words of mine please God.  
I will rejoice in the LORD.

<sup>35</sup>**Bless the LORD, O my soul.  
Hal-lelujah! R**

*Tone:*



## SECOND READING: Romans 8:14–17

*Here Paul speaks about the mystery of baptism: through the Holy Spirit we are claimed, gathered, and welcomed into Christ's body, the church. And we receive new names in our adoption: brother, sister, child of God.*

<sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ — if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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

Come, Holy Spirit, lead us in our work. We pray for firefighters and scientists, for midwives and custodians, for writers and housekeepers, for parents and students, and for so many others in our community. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**  
*(Prayed by Linda Wollschlaeger Fischer in German)*

Come, Holy Spirit, and bind us to the communion of saints who have gone before us. We remember with thanksgiving all those who served and witnessed by your power *especially...* Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** *(Prayed by Joseph Nurani in Gujarati)*

Into your hands, O God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

**OFFERING/OFFERTORY**      *Lord, Listen to Your Children*      arr. Jack Schraeder

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

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## MEAL

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## 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.**

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER (Prayer over the gifts)

**LORD'S PRAYER** *(Please pray in your native tongue)*

**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**

**and 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.**

## 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

Rejoicing in the glory of the resurrection dawn, let us pray for the church, the world,  
and all of God's creation. *A brief silence.*

Come, Holy Spirit, and kindle the flame of gospel witness. We pray for leaders of the church  
and all the people of God, that together we might preach the gospel to those with needy hearts.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** *(Prayed by Peter Clark in Hungarian )*

Come, Holy Spirit, renew the face of the earth. We pray for oceans and sky,  
for rivers and deserts, for lakes and forests, for mountains and grasslands.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** *(Prayed by Jackie Cleroux in French )*

Come, Holy Spirit, pour out justice on all the nations. We pray for countries  
wracked with violence, for soldiers and civilians, for peacemakers and relief agencies.  
Today we especially pray for the people of Thailand. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**  
*(Prayed by Mikhail Lennikov in Russian)*

Come, Holy Spirit, give hopeful visions to the young and restful dreams to the old.  
We pray for those whose lives are nightmares, for those who feel distanced from your light, and  
for those in any need *especially...* Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**  
*(Prayed by Arvid Vimb in Estonian)*

## CHOIR ANTHEM “O Breath of God”

Keith Getty & Phil Madeira

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN “Somlandela” (Traditional Zulu)

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN & CHOIR “Let the People of God” Ken Medema

GOSPEL PROCESSION #595 “Jesus Loves Me!”  
(vv.1 & 2 before the reading; v. 3 - after the reading)

*The children join Pr. Peter in a gospel parade waving the colours of Pentecost Sunday.*

## GOSPEL: John 14:8–17 [25–27]

*Though the disciples struggle with Jesus' nature and identity, they receive the promise that they too will be identified with God and God's mission. Though he must leave them now, Jesus promises the coming of the Advocate whom God will send to comfort and enlighten them.*

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

<sup>8</sup>Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." <sup>9</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? <sup>10</sup>Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup>Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup>Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup>I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup>If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. <sup>15</sup>If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup>This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. <sup>25</sup>I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup>But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup>Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

*Response to the reading: Praise to you, O Christ.*

## BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

*Children are invited to come forward and join Pr. Peter on the chancel area. The congregation is invited to share birthday wishes for the Christian Church.*

HYMN OF THE DAY #804 “Come Down, O Love Divine”