



# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA



NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
OCTOBER 3, 2010



# Announcements

## Church Gardens

Please help further beautify the Church grounds by donating any bulbs (tulips etc.) you may have to Barbara Schaub for planting this fall.

There will be a charity dinner and a silent auction on Saturday, October 16th, from 6-9 pm in the lower level. Tickets are \$25 each for adults and \$15 for children under 10 years old. All proceeds go to the building of an orphanage or a children's nursery in Richmond Township, South Africa. Tickets are available through Janet Ray at 604-439-9702. Or you can email her at janet.ray@telus.net for more details.

## Thanksgiving Sunday

Please remember that donations of non-perishable food items are welcome as part of our Thanksgiving offering next Sunday. Canned Goods, bags of rice or pasta, boxes or packages of cereal or soup — all are stored in our parish pantry until needed by those who come to our door looking for something to eat. Please be generous. Thank you.

## This Week

**Monday, October 4**  
Church Council Meeting, 6 pm

**Thursday, October 7**  
Choir, 7:30 pm

**Saturday, October 9**  
Margaret Anderson Memorial Service, 2 pm

**Next Sunday, October 10**  
Sunday School, 9:15 am

Thanksgiving Worship with Baptism  
and Special Offering, 10:30 am

## Baby Shower

You are invited to a Baby Shower for Naomi and Jesus' new son, Logan Mateo, on Sunday, October 17, 2010, after the service. Betty Anderson and Anne Johnson are taking donations towards a group gift.



How lonely sits the city  
that once was full of people!  
How like a widow she has become,  
she that was great among the nations!  
She that was a princess among the provinces  
has become a vassal.

<sup>2</sup>She weeps bitterly in the night,  
with tears on her cheeks;  
among all her lovers  
she has no one to comfort her;  
all her friends have dealt treacherously with her,  
they have become her enemies.

<sup>3</sup>Judah has gone into exile with suffering  
and hard servitude;  
she lives now among the nations,  
and finds no resting place;  
her pursuers have all overtaken her  
in the midst of her distress.

<sup>4</sup>The roads to Zion mourn,  
for no one comes to the festivals;  
all her gates are desolate,  
her priests groan;  
her young girls grieve,  
and her lot is bitter.

<sup>5</sup>Her foes have become the masters,  
her enemies prosper,  
because the LORD has made her suffer  
for the multitude of her transgressions;  
her children have gone away,  
captives before the foe.

<sup>6</sup>From daughter Zion has departed  
all her majesty.  
Her princes have become like stags  
that find no pasture;  
they fled without strength  
before the pursuer.

*Response after the reading:*

**Thanks be to God.**

**LAMENTATIONS 3:19–26** ( to be sung in place of Psalm)  
Great is your faithfulness, O LORD (Lam. 3:23)

Refrain



Tone



<sup>19</sup>The thought of my affliction<sup>1</sup> and my homelessness  
is worm-<sup>1</sup> wood and gall!  
<sup>20</sup>**My soul continually<sup>1</sup> thinks of it  
and is bowed<sup>1</sup> down within me. R**  
<sup>21</sup>But this I<sup>1</sup> call to mind,  
and therefore<sup>1</sup> I have hope:  
<sup>22</sup>**The steadfast love of the LORD<sup>1</sup> never ceases,  
God's mercies never come<sup>1</sup> to an end; R**  
<sup>23</sup>they are new<sup>1</sup> every morning;  
great<sup>1</sup> is your faithfulness.  
<sup>24</sup>**"You are all that I have,"<sup>1</sup> says my soul,  
"therefore I will hope in<sup>1</sup> you, O LORD."**  
<sup>25</sup>You are good to those who<sup>1</sup> wait for you,  
to all that<sup>1</sup> search for you.  
<sup>26</sup>**It is good that one<sup>1</sup> should wait quietly  
for the salvation<sup>1</sup> of the LORD. R**

**SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1–14**

*This message written from Paul to Timothy is a personal message of encouragement. In the face of hardship and persecution, Timothy is reminded that his faith is a gift of God. He is encouraged to exercise that faith with the help of the Holy Spirit.*

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,  
<sup>2</sup>To Timothy, my beloved child:  
Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

**MEAL**

<b>GREAT THANKSGIVING</b>	p. 180
<b>“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”</b>	p. 181
<b>PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING</b> (Prayer over the gifts)	
<b>THE LORD’S PRAYER</b>	p. 182
<b>FRACTION</b> (as the bread is broken) The gifts of God for the people of God. <b>Thanks be to God.</b>	
<b>“LAMB OF GOD”</b>	p. 182



*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.*

<b>MUSIC DURING COMMUNION</b> # 484 <b>“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”</b> Verses sung by the Cantor; Refrain by the congregation Teach Me Lord	Thomas Attwood
<b>PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION</b> (All rise)	

**SENDING**

<b>BLESSING</b>	
<b>SENDING HYMN</b> # 785 <b>“When Peace like a River”</b> v. 3 flutes and guitar only	
<b>DISMISSAL</b> Go in peace. Share the good news. <b>Thanks be to God.</b>	
<b>POSTLUDE</b> Chaconne	Andre Campra

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

**HYMN OF THE DAY** # 793 “*Be Thou My Vision*”, v. 3—*unaccompanied*

**THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

God hears the cry of the poor and is near to all in need. Let us pray for our neighbours, our world, and ourselves, trusting in God's mercy and love. *A brief silence.*

We pray, O God, for your church, herald of your saving love in the world. Strengthen all the baptized in their holy callings to proclaim your gospel in their daily lives.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, O God, for the land that is home to all your creatures, and for those who care for it: farmers, gardeners, foresters, ecologists, and all who help preserve the life of your creation.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, O God, for nations and communities torn by violence, floods, famine, civil strife, and for all who live in constant fear and danger. Guide elected and grass-roots leaders to bring about a true and lasting peace. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, O God, for those who long for companionship, grieve the loss of a loved one, or mourn a broken relationship. Be near to all who long for your presence (*especially*).  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, O God, for this assembly, and for the ministry of word and sacrament in this place. Bless and encourage all who lead us in worship and praise, in witness and service.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We give thanks, O God, for all the departed in whom your Spirit lived and whose faith now lives in us (*especially*). Bring us, with them, to the fullness of your joy.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All this we ask, gracious God, together with all that is known to you alone, in the name of your risen and anointed Son, through the power of your life-giving Spirit. **Amen.**

**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**OFFERING/OFFERTORY** *Badinerie* J. S. Bach

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

<sup>3</sup>I am grateful to God — whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did — when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup>Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup>I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. <sup>6</sup>For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; <sup>7</sup>for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

<sup>8</sup>Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, <sup>9</sup>who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup>but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. <sup>11</sup>For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, <sup>12</sup>and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. <sup>13</sup>Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.  
<sup>14</sup>Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*Sing verse before and after reading*) p. 179

**HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 17:5–10**

*On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus instructs his followers about the power of faith and the duties of discipleship. He calls his disciples to adopt the attitude of servants whose actions are responses to their identity rather than works seeking reward.*

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

<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup>The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

<sup>7</sup>Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? <sup>8</sup>Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? <sup>9</sup>Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded?  
<sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

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