



# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA

## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 12, 2026

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**Prelude:** Récit and Méditation sur “O Filii et Filiae” - Denis Bedard

**Words of welcome & Announcements**

**Land Acknowledgement**

### GATHERING

#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,  
who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**Amen.**





**Gathering Hymn\_\_ Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds (ELW 367)**

**Greeting**

**Kyrie (ELW page 213)**

**Gloria (ELW page 213)**

**Prayer of the Day**

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**WORD**

**First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-32**

**Psalm: Psalm 16**

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9**

**Gospel verse (ELW page 216)**

**Gospel: John 20:19-31**

The Holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you O Lord**

<sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."<sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.<sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."<sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.<sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

<sup>24</sup> But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not



with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” <sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” <sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of our Lord. ***Praise to you, O Christ.***

**Sermon from the BC Synod**

**Hymn of the Day\_\_ Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers (ACS 938)**

**Apostles Creed (ELW page 217)**

**Prayers of Intercession**

**Peace**

**Offering Hymn\_\_ As the Grains of Wheat (ELW 465)**

**Canticle of Thanksgiving (ELW page 219)**

**Thanksgiving for the Word**





## Lord's Prayer

**Our Mother, 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.**

## SENDING

### Blessing

**Sending Hymn- Thine Is the Glory (ELW 376)**

### Dismissal

**Postlude: Allegro - Benedetto Marcello**

### *Those Serving the Servants Today*

<b>Homilist</b>	Aria	<b>Livestream Tech</b>	Emmanuel Manu
<b>Minister of Music</b>	Rachel Alflatt	<b>Communion Set-Up</b>	-
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Sylvia Harris	<b>Communion Assist</b>	-
<b>Cantor</b>	-	<b>Coffee Hour Hosts</b>	Emmanuel Manu
<b>Lector</b>	-		Daniel Wong

