



# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 21, 2026

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**Prelude:** Invocation - Denis Bédard, Antiphon - Marcel Dupré

**Words of welcome & Announcements**

**Land Acknowledgement**

## GATHERING

**Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose compassion endures forever.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin to God.

Compassionate God,

**We confess to you all our sins.**

**Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.**

**In your mercy, call us back to you.**

**Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.**

**Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary

and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."

In the name of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God's love. **Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn\_\_ We Know That Christ Is Raised (ELW 449)**

**Greeting**





**Kyrie 10** (ELW page 203)

**Gloria 10** (ELW page 204)

**Prayer of the Day**

Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**WORD**

**First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-13**

**Psalms: Psalm 69:7-10 [11-15] 16-18**

**Second Reading: Romans 6:1b-11**


**Gospel Acclamation 10** (ELW page 205)

**Gospel: Matthew 10:24-39**

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

[Jesus said to the twelve:]<sup>24</sup> “A disciple is not above the teacher nor a slave above the master;<sup>25</sup> it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

<sup>26</sup> “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret that will not become known.<sup>27</sup> What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops.<sup>28</sup> Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, fear the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell.<sup>29</sup> Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father.<sup>30</sup> And even the hairs of your head are all counted.<sup>31</sup> So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.





<sup>32</sup> “Everyone, therefore, who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven, <sup>33</sup> but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

<sup>34</sup> “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace but a sword.

<sup>35</sup> For I have come to set a man against his father,  
and a daughter against her mother,

and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law,

<sup>36</sup> and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.

<sup>37</sup> “Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me, <sup>38</sup> and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup> Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

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

**Homily – Rev. Mei Sum Lai**

**Hymn of the Day\_\_ How Firm a Foundation (ELW 796)**

**Apostles’ Creed**

**Prayers of Intercession**

**Peace**

**Offering Hymn\_\_ Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise (ELW 207)**

**Offering Prayer**

**MEAL**

**Dialog & Preface**

**Sanctus 10 (ELW page 207)**

**The Great Thanksgiving**





**Lord's Prayer**

**Lamb of God 10** (ELW page 208)

**Invitation to Communion**

**Communion Hymn\_\_ Come, Let Us Eat** (ELW 491)

**Prayer after Communion**

**SENDING**

**Blessing**

**Sending Hymn\_\_ If You But Trust in God to Guide You** (ELW 769)

**Dismissal**

**Postlude:** Voluntary in C major - John Travers

***Those Serving the Servants Today***

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Rev. Mei Sum Lai	<b>Livestream Tech</b>	Alin Kucheran
<b>Minister of Music</b>	Rachel Alflatt	<b>Usher</b>	Harry Mikelson
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Linda Collins	<b>Communion Set-Up</b>	Carol Laslett
<b>Cantor</b>	Heidi Ackermann	<b>Communion Assist.</b>	Aria
<b>Lector</b>	Kevin Li	<b>Coffee Hour Hosts</b>	-
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