



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA

BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

JANUARY 11, 2026

Prelude: Larghetto and Sarabande - George Frideric Handel, Interlude - Jeremiah Clarke

Words of welcome & Announcements

Land Acknowledgement

GATHERING

Thanksgiving for Baptism (ELW page 97)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.
Shower us with your Spirit,





and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.
To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn- Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized (ELW 304)

Greeting (ELW page 175)

Kyrie 7

Gloria 7 (ELW page 176)

Prayer of the Day

O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Gospel Acclamation 7 (ELW page 179)

Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

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

¹³ Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴ John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” ¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. ¹⁶ And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from

the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." *The Gospel of our Lord. Praise to you, O Christ*

Homily - Rev. Sylvia Schmidt

Hymn of the Day- Baptized and Set Free (ELW 453)

Apostles Creed (ELW page 105)

Prayers of Intercession

Peace

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise (ELW 207)

Offering Prayer

MEAL

Dialog & Preface (ELW page 180)

Holy, Holy, Holy 7

Great Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer (ELW page 182)

**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.**





Lamb of God 7 (ELW page 182)

Invitation to Communion

Communion Hymn- Love Has Come (ELW 292)

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Blessing

Sending Hymn- Christ, Be Our Light (ELW 715)

Dismissal

Postlude: Prelude in B flat major - J. S. Bach

Those Serving the Servants Today

Presiding Minister	Rev. Sylvia Schmidt	Livestream Tech	Emmanuel Manu
Minister of Music	Rachel Alflatt	Communion Set-Up	Heidi Ackermann
Assisting Minister	Linda Collins	Communion Assist.	Aria
Cantor	Lorna Hau	Coffee Hour Hosts	Sylvia Harris
Lector	-		Russell Collins