



# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 17, 2026

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**Prelude:** Voluntary in F major - William Russell

**Words of welcome & Announcements**

**Land Acknowledgement**

## GATHERING

**Thanksgiving for Baptism**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne  
and to the Lamb! **Amen.**

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You  
lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning  
dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us.  
Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our  
journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.

We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.  
Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace.

Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making  
us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and  
praise, now and forever. **Amen.**





**Gathering Hymn\_\_ Thine the Amen (ELW 826)**

**Greeting**

**Kyrie** (*Now the Feast & Celebration page 3*)

**Now the Feast** (*Now the Feast & Celebration page 4*)

**Prayer of the Day**

O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, 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: Acts 1:6-14**

**Psalm: Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35**

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11**

**Gospel verse** (*Now the Feast & Celebration page 8*)

**Gospel: John 17:1-11**

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

<sup>1</sup> After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples,] he looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup> since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup> And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup> I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup> So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

<sup>6</sup> “I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the

world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup> Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, <sup>8</sup> for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup> I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup> All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup> And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

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

**Homily – Rev. Erik Parker**

**Hymn of the Day\_\_ O Christ, our Hope (ELW 604)**

**Apostles’ Creed**

**Prayers of Intercession**

**Peace**

**As the Grains of Wheat** (*Now the Feast & Celebration page 10*)

**Offering Prayer**

## MEAL

**The Great Thanksgiving** (*Now the Feast & Celebration page 11*)

**Holy** (*Now the Feast & Celebration page 11*)

**Eucharistic Acclamation 2** (*Now the Feast & Celebration page 12*)

**Eucharistic Acclamation 3** (*Now the Feast & Celebration page 12*)

**Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ** (*Now the Feast & Celebration page 13*)





**Lord's Prayer**

**Lamb of God** (*Now the Feast & Celebration page 14*)

**Invitation to Communion**

**Communion Hymn\_\_ I Come with Joy** (ELW 482)

**Prayer after Communion**

**SENDING**

**Blessing**

**Sending Hymn\_\_ Jesus Shall Reign** (ELW 434)

**Dismissal**

**Postlude:** Grand Dialogue - Gaspard Corrette

***Those Serving the Servants Today***

**Presiding Minister** Rev. Erik Parker

**Livestream Tech** Emmanuel Manu

**Minister of Music** Rachel Alflatt

**Usher** -

**Assisting Minister** Sylvia Harris

**Communion Set-Up** Rev. Mei Sum Lai

**Cantor** Heidi Ackermann

**Communion Assist.** -

**Lector** Paul Schmidt

**Coffee Hour Hosts** Diana Kuyer

Jack Kuyer

