



# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 3, 2024

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**Prelude:** Northern Song, Op. 68, by R. Schumann

**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.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

**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- Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways (ELW 772)**

**Greeting**

**Kyrie (ELW page 98)**

**Prayer of the Day**

Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace and teach us the wisdom that comes only 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: Exodus 20:1-17**

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25**

**Children's Message**

**Lenten Acclamation (ELW page 103)**

**Gospel: John 2:13-22**

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

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was

written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.” The Jews then said to him, “What sign can you show us for doing this?” Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” The Jews then said, “This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?” But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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

**Sermon- Rev. David Lefsrud**

**Hymn of the Day- God the Sculptor of the Mountains (ELW 736)**

**Installation of Parish Leaders**

**Prayers of Intercession**

**Peace**

**Offering Prayer**

## MEAL

**Dialog & Preface**

**Holy, Holy, Holy (ELW page 108)**

**Great Thanksgiving**

**Lord's Prayer (ELW page 112)**

**Lamb of God (ELW page 112)**

**Invitation to Communion**

**Communion Hymn- Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup (ELW 492)**

**Prayer after Communion**

## SENDING

**Blessing**

**Sending Hymn- God of Grace and God of Glory (ELW 705)**



## Dismissal

**Postlude:** Sonata # 1 op. 65 4th mvt- Mendelssohn

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ***Wednesday Night Holden Evening Prayer & Soup Supper***

*On Wednesday March 6th, March 13th and March 20th, there will be Holden Evening Prayer at 7:00 p.m.*

*There will be a Soup Supper at 6:00 p.m. in the Narthex before the Holden Evening Prayer. Soup is provided; just show up! Feel free to bring a friend.*

### "Keep in your prayers"

Madeleine Jones and sons Robert and Bryan

Linda Dawson

Bruno Tymm

Daniel Luong Family

Fred Batscheider

Jeanette Price

#### ***Those Serving the Servants Today***

**Presiding Minister**

Rev. David Lefsrud

**Livestream Tech**

Kevin Li

**Minister of Music**

Graham Pudek

**Usher**

Michael Ray

**Assisting Minister**

Russell Collins

**Communion Set-Up**

Heidi & Aria

**Cantor**

Heidi Ackermann

**Communion Assist.**

Diana & Jack

**Lector**

Paul Schmidt

**Coffee Hour Hosts**

Donna Dufresne

Ange Ndamukeshimana