



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 19, 2026

Prelude: Dialogue de Voix humaine & Fond d'Orgue - Gaspard Corrette

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__ Praise and Thanksgiving (ELW 689)

Greeting

Kyrie 10 (ELW page 203)

Gloria 10 (ELW page 204)





Prayer of the Day

Faithful God, most merciful judge, you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 44:6-8

Psalm: Psalm 86:11-17

Second Reading: Romans 8:12-25

Gospel Acclamation 10 (ELW page 205)

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

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

²⁴ [Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field,²⁵ but while everybody was asleep an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. ²⁶ So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷ And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ ²⁸ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ ²⁹ But he replied, ‘No, for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰ Let both of them grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’ ”

³⁶ Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples



approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” ³⁷ He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸ the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰ Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴² and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”
The Gospel of our Lord. ***Praise to you, O Christ.***

Homily – Rev. Nikkeya Berryhill

Hymn of the Day__ Come, Ye Thankful People, Come (ELW 693)

Apostles Creed (ELW page 105)

Prayers of Intercession

Peace

Offering Hymn__ Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord (ELW 875)

Offering Prayer

MEAL

Dialog & Preface

Sanctus 10 (ELW page 207)

The Great Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer (ELW page 208)

Lamb of God 10 (ELW page 208)



Invitation to Communion

Communion Hymn__ Light Dawns on a Weary World (ELW 726)

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Blessing

Sending Hymn__ For the Fruit of All Creation (ELW 679)

Dismissal

Postlude: Dialogue - François Couperin

Those Serving the Servants Today

Presiding Minister Rev. Nikkeya Berryhill

Livestream Tech Kevin Li

Minister of Music Rachel Alflatt

Usher Harry Mikelson

Assisting Minister Linda Collins

Communion Set-Up Carol Laslett

Cantor Lorna Hau

Communion Assist. -

Lector -

Coffee Hour Hosts Harvey Wagner

Donna Dufresne

