

Foothills Lutheran Church

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“Connecting People with Christ through Worship, Relationships & Service”



Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 6, 2018

Education Hour: 9:00 am
Morning Worship with Communion: (1st, 3rd and 5th) 10:15 am
Wednesday Evening Worship: 6:30 pm

A Prayer Upon Entering: May the love You have for us, O Lord, transform our hearts. May we be more open to caring for the needs of our family and friends. And may we be more committed to developing deeper relationships with Your fellow followers.

Merciful Savior, help us to show mercy to others, as You show mercy to us.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: Divine Service 1, Pg. 151

HYMNS:463; 844; 700; 686; 556; 490; 548

FIRST LESSON: Acts 10:34-48..... Pg. 1169

SECOND LESSON: 1 John 5:1-8..... Pg. 1304

GOSPEL LESSON: John 15:9-17..... Pg. 1147

SERMON: *Did He Have To Tell Us That?* John 15:9-17

A JOYOUS WELCOME As you worship, sing praises, and pray with us this morning, it is our prayer that you, too, will rejoice in the salvation wrought for you by Jesus Christ and be built up on the true faith. Please sign our Guest Register found in the Narthex, join us for coffee following the service....and please come again very soon.

WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION this week at our Wednesday service. Our Lord offers us His true body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. By partaking of this Sacrament together, we confess our unity in faith and are drawn closer to one another and to the Lord. If you are a visitor, not belonging to the Lutheran Church-Canada, and wish to commune, please speak with the pastor before Wednesday's service.

THE NURSERY is available for times that children are restless, and is equipped with a sound system to enable parents to continue worshipping. Because some of our children and parents have severe nut allergies, **please keep the nursery a nut-free zone.**

LARGE PRINT HYMNS AND SERVICE are available for your use. Please pick up a copy from the tables at the back of the sanctuary, or ask an usher for a copy.

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS, crayons, scrap paper and busy bags are available on the bookshelves by the sanctuary doors for children to use during worship.

JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND CONVERSATION following our worship this morning. Take a few moments to catch up with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of:	Sunday/ Communion	Wednesday	Education Hour
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SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

Narthex Greeters Gary & Laurel Anderson; Phil & Cheryl Lemke
Sanctuary Greeters Merv & Kareen Borgeson;
..... Anne Marie Kothari; Rick Bennetts
Acolyte Gage Cormier
Organist Miriam Winstanley
Lector Candice Vikse
Counters Don & Annette Cope
Coffee Team..... Shirley & Carl Berdahl; Cheryl & Phil Lemke; Ellen Wagner

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

For Our Missions: Please pray for one of our preschool mothers who recently broke her ankle, that it would heal quickly and well so she can keep up to her busy four year old.

Family Focus

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL the students studied the story “*Jesus Clears the Temple.*” Jesus’ cleansing of the temple carries a twofold message for the Jews and or us: first that the true Lord of the temple was here in the flesh, and second and more important, that Jesus is the true temple, who houses and perfects us, raising our bodies to be like His. Parents could ask, “*Why did Jesus clear the temple? How is Jesus our temple?*”

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: May 13th “Keep Them” (John 17:14-17). There are times Christians might readily wish the Lord would airlift them out of this world. Because we have some work to do, the Lord Jesus prays we be kept safe. So, how’s that working for you? Hear this message on CHR 1140/am at 8:00 am Sunday mornings. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

This Week at FLC

Monday	7:00 pm	Sunday School Meeting
Tuesday:	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study @ Miriam's
Wednesday:	1:00 pm	Ladies Bible Study @ Byers
	1:30 pm	Silver Saints
	6:30 pm	Worship
	7:30 pm	Choir
Thursday:	6:00 pm	Children's Choir
	7:30 pm	PPC & Elders – Statement of Direction
Saturday:	1:00 pm	Earl Scheuer Funeral
Sunday:		Mother's Day
	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Worship - Contemporary

FROM DR. MARTIN - Sixth Sunday of Easter - John 15:9-17 "It is great and strong love if a man gives his neighbor in need a hundred or a thousand guildens, or if he pays all of his debts for him. How unusual it would be for a king or a prince to give a poor beggar an earldom or a principality, or even his own kingdom or country or subjects! Then all the world would sing and speak of such unheard-of love. And, yet all of this is trivial compared with Christ's giving His life for you." LW 24:251 (56 vols.; St. Louis: Concordia Publishing House and Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1955-1986).

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutheran Hospital Ministries

Through Lutheran Hospital Ministries of Southern Alberta trained visitors give support to Lutheran patients in Calgary and area hospitals and care centres through compassionate listening, prayer, and Scripture. Visitors are always needed, and regular training is scheduled. Your gift helps provide the resources and staffing that makes this ministry a blessing to those in the hospital and care centres of our area.

LUTHERAN CHURCH—CANADA will be holding its annual Intercultural Ministry Conference here at Foothills from June 14-16 (Thursday to Saturday). They have asked if there are members here at Foothills who would be willing to billet some of the guests who attend this conference. If you can host a guest those days, please speak to Pastor Bode.

SILVER SAINTS invite you to join them on Wednesday, May 9th at 1:30 pm to hear Constable Duchesne's presentation on fraud. All are welcome to attend.

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR ANNUAL STAMPEDE BREAKFAST! Invite your family and friends to our Stampede Breakfast **on July 15, 2018**. This is our 17th breakfast and we are hoping for sunshine. Breakfast is from 8:00 to 10:00. Outdoor service at 10:15. And yes again we will be looking for help—and prayers—from all of you. (Anni Adams, Stampede Breakfast Chair email annibrad@hotmail.com)

UPCOMING EVENTS HOSTED BY FOOTHILLS LWML-C SOCIETY:

- Monday, May 14, 2018 6:00 p.m. **Mother Daughter Friend Dinner CELEBRATING WOMEN OF ALL AGES!** Bring a dish for the pot blessing dinner; relax and enjoy the fellowship. We always appreciate the men who come to serve us and take over the kitchen duties.
- Saturday, May 26, 2018 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. **South Alberta Zone LWML-C Spring Rally.** The theme is **THE GREAT COMMISSION (MATTHEW 28: 18-20)**. Friends are welcome! You do not have to be a member of LWML-C nor LCC to attend.

Check out our bulletin board by the kitchen entrance. Signing up for these events helps us with our planning. Contact Cheryl Lemke at cheryl.lemke@shaw.ca for more information.



AS THE WEATHER BECOMES WARMER AND SUNNIER, we will see more and more people travelling on the weekends. God blesses His people with those times of relaxation and enjoyment, but He always reminds us that He is our perfect rest. He also zealously invites us to take time to be with Him—yes, He even commands it for our good! As His trusting children, let us take time to gather with our Father in His house, around His Word and Sacraments. If you can't be here on Sunday, please remember that we have our midweek Wednesday services for that very reason.

NOMINATION NOTICE: Please prayerfully consider if you or your fellow members can serve our congregation in one of these positions. Candidates for the various positions need to be finalized by May 13th for approval at our June voters meeting. All positions are for 2-year terms (July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2020). Position descriptions and nomination forms are available on the welcome desk in the narthex. Current openings are Board of Elders (multiple) – male only; President – male only; Board of Church Properties; Board of Human Care Ministries; Board of Fellowship; Board of Evangelism (the term for this position expires June 30, 2019).

THE CREATION BIBLE STUDY which had been scheduled to start today has been delayed one week. Come and join us, as Ron Voss leads a discussion on creation and this truth of Scripture.

SUMMER VBS REGISTRATION: Our Vacation Bible School, “**GOOD NEWS!**” will be offered July 16-20 and July 23-27. The first week has spaces only in grades 2 – 5. There are still spaces available for all ages in the second week. We encourage our families to be evangelists in their communities by inviting a friend to come and hear the **GOOD NEWS** of salvation in Jesus Christ. Pick up a registration form at the information desk, or ask for one from Deaconess Miriam.

We hope you will keep our efforts in your prayers, and especially the staff who will be sharing God’s good news. You can also join us any day that week; we can always benefit from an extra pair of hands and feet!

MOTHER’S DAY FLOWERS: Making Mother’s Day “rosie” - today is the last day to pre-order your roses for delivery next Sunday, just in time for Mother’s Day! With more than \$1.10 of every rose sold going to support mothers and their children who seek a safe haven at the Calgary Women’s Emergency Shelter, we will be able to donate about \$200.00 this year. Please think of your birth mom and other women in your life who care deeply about children and their church family. This is also a small way to extend your gratitude to the women in our congregation who demonstrate motherly love to others. Blessings and thanks from the Board of Human Care Ministry.



BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: Pick up a bottle on Mother’s Day and over the next few weeks and fill it with coins, cash or a cheque. Return it to church on June 17, Father’s Day. Every little bit helps women facing an unplanned pregnancy as well as programs for junior and senior high schools empowering students with healthy sexual decision-making and parenting programs at the center. If you have questions, please contact Heather Sommers.

SUMMER SERMON SERIES: We will again offer you the opportunity to tell us, “*I’ve always wanted to hear a sermon about...*” We have some forms for your requests on the welcome desk. Requests are starting to come in, but there are a limited number of Sundays. Let us know what encouragement you would like from the Word of God!

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