

Foothills Lutheran Church

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

The Kingdom of God



FIRST A LEAF
BLADE PUSHED
THROUGH AND
LATER THE WHEAT
HEADS APPEARED
AND FINALLY THE
GRAIN RIPENED.

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Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 17, 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: O God of growth, work within the soil of our souls. Bring about new and glorious changes within us. And prepare us for further development as disciples of Christ.

Creator God, we grow by Your grace.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: As projected

HYMNS: 804; 732; 763; 575

FIRST LESSON: Ezekiel 17:22-24 Pg. 893

SECOND LESSON: 2 Corinthians 5:1-10 Pg. 1228

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 4:26-34..... Pg. 1067

SERMON: *God Gives The Growth!* Ezekiel 17:22-24

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 TODAY, in which 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 the service. Anyone is welcome to come to the Altar for a blessing, please simply cross your arms across your chest and the Elders will know how to respond.

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:	FLC/ Crawling Valley	Wednesday/ Communion	Education Hour
June 10	189 / 28	16 / 16	30

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

Narthex Greeters Gary & Laurel Anderson; Phil & Cheryl Lemke
 Sanctuary Greeters Jan Geggie; Christine Heumann; Otto & Vi Dusterhoft
 Acolyte Gillian Zwick
 Lector Pastor
 Organist Walt Evans
 Counters Don & Annette Cope
 Coffee Team Heather Sommers; Warren Kee; Merv & Kareen Borgeson

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

For Our Missions: Please pray that preschool students and their parents will be able to attend our end of year concerts. Pray that the message of Jesus' love would be well presented and well received.

Family Focus:

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL the children served others by putting together some backpacks of school supplies. These will be taken to a school for use in the fall by children who have need of this help.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: Happy Father's Day! It's time to return your baby bottle. Thank you for every coin, dollar bill and cheque. Every little bit helps to maintain the incredible programs the center has for young and old, on sexual decisions, pregnancy, parenting and grief. If you have questions, please contact Heather Sommers.



This Week at FLC

Today:	Father's Day and Last Day of Sunday School Baby Bottle Campaign Bottles Due Back	
Mon – Mon:	Pastor Bode on Vacation	
Monday:	7:00 pm	Parish Planning Council
Wednesday:	1:00 pm	Ladies Bible Study @ Byers
	2:30 pm	Preschool Afternoon Class Closing Concert
	6:30 pm	Worship
Thursday:	10:00 am	Moms & Tots
	7:00 pm	Preschool Morning Class Closing Concert
Friday:	6:00 pm	Photo Scavenger Hunt
Sunday:	9:00 am	Adult Bible Study
	10:15 am	Worship

FROM DR. MARTIN - FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Mark 3:20–25 “The truth is being proclaimed and is heard, but we are rebuked for it as liars. And though we defend our position most fitly and make it clearer than the sun, we are nonetheless railed at and reviled. It is inevitable that we take abuse and are viewed with glass eyes. Well, if it cannot be otherwise, then let it remain so. This is unavoidable if people view things through painted glass, and I cannot change it. Christ experienced this too. They called Him a rebel. Yes, they called the Master of the house Beelzebub, therefore they will also call us devils.” LW 23:241 (56 vols.; St. Louis: Concordia Publishing House and Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1955–1986).

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Lutheran Church - Canada

We rejoice in the opportunities we have to proclaim the Gospel. Through LCC we train pastors and deacons; we work together to send missionaries throughout the world; we support work in remote communities; we provide resources and encouragement to congregations. We ‘walk together’ so that the message of forgiveness in Christ may be brought to all people everywhere. Your gift truly helps in this work.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: (June 24th) “*Jesus, Don’t You Care?*” (Mark 4:38-41) After seeing one of the Savior’s miracles the disciples asked, “Who is this Guy?” After Pentecost, they knew Who Jesus was and why He had come. Even so, the world keeps coming up with wrong answers when they ask, “Just Who is this Guy?” Hear this message on CHR 1140/am at 8:00 am Sunday mornings. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca



The flowers which grace the altar today are given to the glory of God by Bill and Erika Schultz in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

GOOD FOOD BOX: Sign-up before all spots are taken for the Good Food Box servant event! This program is under the Community Kitchen Program of Calgary allowing all Calgarians to access affordable nutritious food. Our obligation is to provide **15 to 20 volunteers** on Monday, **June 25th** from 6 to 9 p.m. The Good Food Box is located at 3721 - 51 St. NE. See the sign-up sheet on the Human Care bulletin board, and *wear your Foothills Lutheran T-Shirt!*

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS: We are blessed through those who give of their time and ability for the sake of the Lord's church and the mission He calls us to do together. Please keep these leaders and workers in your prayers:

President: Tim Roth

Vice-president: vacant

Treasurer: Terry Naven

Elders: Gary Anderson, Colin Bablitz, Thomas Benz, Merv Borgeson, Darcy Drysdale, Robert Heumann, Rob Kaut, Warren Kee, Phil Lemke, Goodluck Nwaerendu, Lorne Rosenau, Jared Vikse

Board of Church Properties: Rick Bennetts

Board of Human Care Ministries: vacant

Board of Fellowship: Heather Sommers

Board of Parish Education: Trevor Heumann

Board of Evangelism: Mark Kihn

Board of Stewardship: Jay Anderson

We thank those who allowed their names to stand for office, those who have served in the past year, and those new and continuing leaders. May God bless your service among us! Please keep these servants of the Lord in your prayers, that God may bless their efforts among us.

MAJOR REPAIRS: At the last voter's meeting, there was discussion about some needed repairs for our building and the student residence. We will also be looking ahead at the need to replace our current organ. These are major expenses, but there are some safety concerns, as well as just normal upkeep that is important for God's house. We will share more as the needs are finalized.

OUR THANKS TO YOU, DEAR MEMBERS for pitching in and helping out with the LCC Intercultural Conference. Some made airport runs; some brought baking, some came to lend a hand in the kitchen. We appreciate all the efforts, big and small! You are a blessing to us!

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE-CANADA 25TH ANNIVERSARY TEA: All present and past members of LWML-C Foothills Society, as well as their relatives and friends, are invited to come for tea and fellowship on Monday, June 25 at 2:00 p.m. For details, contact Cheryl Lemke at (403) 851-2049 or e-mail her at cheryl.lemke@shaw.ca.

STAMPEDE BREAKFAST BASKETS NEEDED! For our Stampede breakfast on July 15, we need 3 baskets to give out as prizes. Would you and/or a few friends create a basket valued at about \$20? Themes could be “stampede breakfast”, children’s, coffee & tea, gardening or some other wonderful idea you might have!

Please contact Carol Sandau who is a team leader of the Greeters and Hospitality. Email csandau@telus.net or phone 403.288.8440 and bring the baskets to the church office by July 8, 2018.

JOIN THE YOUTH AND FAMILIES of Foothills for the **THIRD ANNUAL PHOTO SCAVENGER HUNT**, on June 22 at 6:00pm. We’ll meet at the church to split into teams to leave the church by 6:30 pm and then travel around the city to find sites related to Calgary’s history. Teams will receive points based on the photos taken at each location, and the winning team will have the honour of sharing the trophy lamp over the coming year. Sign up on the sheet on the Board of Christian Education bulletin board by June 20th! Everyone is welcome! Ask Pastor Eric, Kayla, or Michelle if you have any questions.



OUR FIRST CONGREGATION CAMPING WEEKEND went well, with 33 people attending. The rain damped the land, but not the spirits of the campers, who shared in fellowship, devotion and fun

together. Look for this to happen again next year!

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!

PASTOR ERIC IS RECOUPERATING after oral surgery this week. He will, Lord willing, be back at the office tomorrow.

Pastor Bode is away until next Tuesday, visiting family in Ontario. There is no *Front to Back* Bible Study this week in Pastor Bode’s absence.

THE "GOOD NEWS" IN THE BADLANDS: The Badlands Passion Play organizers offer huge \$ discounts for limited tickets in their 25th anniversary year -- \$25 per ticket instead of \$57. The Play runs on weekends in July at their Drumheller setting. If you are interested in attending as a group, please contact Mark Kihn. We'll choose a date (post-Stampede) and head out.

KURIAKOS SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES: Camp Kuriakos offers retreat and summer programs for kids, youth, adults, and families. Well-trained staff, beautiful facilities, engaging activities, and vibrant community make Kuriakos a highlight in the lives of our campers and keep them coming back year after year. Contact 403.746.2702 or www.kuriakos.ab.ca.



REACH OUT TO YOUR FRIENDS! Jesus often called His followers "friends." It's a beautiful word. He proved it when He said "Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13). As He went to the cross and came forth from the tomb, He established a friendship with all who believe in Him ... a friendship He will never break.

As we look to our Stampede Breakfast and Worship, we want to share with our friends, that we may grow together into a deep friendship based on a shared faith in Jesus Christ and our love for each other.

Keep your friends in your prayers. Invite them to come and join us. You can make a difference in the life of your friends!

Do you know your ABC's of building relationships?

Accept those we hope to reach,

By loving those we intend to reach and

Caring for those we reach with our witness of words and deeds.

Build relationships, and through them build your congregation and the success of our Friendship Celebration and Stampede Breakfast on July 15th.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AT KURIAKOS has expanded and updated the leadership development programs. Sign up for the best week of your summer, with unforgettable friendships and lifelong lessons.

The *Leaders In Training* programs focus on Leadership Development and Spiritual Growth. Many church leaders have identified Camp as providing an introduction to their ongoing personal ministry. Kick off your summer at LIT Week (July 1-6), then volunteer as a SIT (age 14-16), STAND (age 16-18) or Gapper (adults of all ages). Additional information is available online at www.kuriakos.ab.ca/programs (click on Programs - Leadership Development).

THE NEW 'PORTALS OF PRAYER' is available on the welcome desk. Pick up a copy to guide you in your daily devotion with God!

HAPPY FATHERS DAY to all our dads, papas, fathers and Abbas (look that one up in the Bible!) We pray that God would continue to bless you and grant you His fatherhood as a guide, strength and encouragement of your care for your families.

OUR SUMMER SERMON SERIES begins next Sunday, with Pastor Eric looking at “Infinite Firewood! The Burning Bush and the Power of God”. The whole list of topics and dates will be available on an insert next week. We thank you for your requests and pray that your faith will be strengthened, as we know it is, through the Truth of God’s Word.



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