

Foothills Lutheran Church

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

ARISE
SHINE



for your light has come!

ISAIAH 60:1

First Sunday after Christmas

December 30, 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 Lord, You came to earth to go about doing the Father's business. We thank You for all the work You have performed. And we thank You for showing us how to continue the work of the Father in this world. May all that we do make the Father proud.

O Son of the Father, may we bring glory to God above.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: As projected

HYMNS:358; 803; 376; 384; 700; 359; 367; 387

FIRST LESSON: Exodus 13: 1-3a, 11-15 p. 70

EPISTLE LESSON: Colossians 3:12-17 p. 1253

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 2:22-40 p. 1090

SERMON:

A JOYOUS WELCOME to all who worship here this morning. May you find forgiveness and strengthening through God's Word and promise. If you are visiting, please honour us by signing our guest book at the back of the church. If there is any way we can be of service to you, please speak to the pastor or one of the elders. If you have no church home of your own, please consider making Foothills your church.

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.

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of:	Sunday & Special Services	Wednesday	Education Hour
December 23	10:15 am202	No mid-week service	31
December 24	4:00 pm300		
	6:00 pm104		
	11:00 pm 39/23		
December 25	10:15 am 69/50		

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

Narthex Greeters Carl & Shirley Berdahl; Dave & Belinda Perrin
 Sanctuary Greeters .Phil & Cheryl Lemke; Anne Marie Kothari; Tom Copeland
 Lector Pastor Eric
 Organist..... Phil Lemke
 Coffee Team.....Elise Glans; Vi Dusterhoft; Anne Marie Kothari
 Counter..... Gary Ring

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

For Our Missions: Pray that the Holy Spirit would work through the Christmas message that was heard by the 19 un-churched children and parents in FLC Preschool's afternoon class concert during our last week of class before our Christmas break.

Family Focus:



THE FLOWERS which beautify our altar today are given to the glory of God by LuAnn and Dwayne Zahara in memory of LuAnn's mother, Bernice Engel.

EPIPHANY LUNCH: The LWML is hosting a congregational lunch on Epiphany Sunday, **January 6th**. Contributions of "finger food" (hot and cold appetizers, sandwiches, cheese, veggies, fruit, cookies ...) would be appreciated.

This Week at FLC

New Year's Eve:	6:30 pm	Vespers/Communion
Tuesday:		Office Closed
Wednesday:		Note: No mid-week service
Friday:	11:00 am	Heidi Kurtz Funeral
Saturday:	9:00 am	Men's Breakfast
	9:30 am	Kids Bible Club
	9:30 am	Ladies Bible Study – Hosts LWML
Sunday:	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Worship/Communion
	Noon	Epiphany Luncheon – Hosts LWML

THE LUTHERAN HOUR (January 6, 2019) **“The Word Turned Toward”** (John 1:1-18) Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. People use their words to build bonds of trust with people they love. In Jesus, God does the same – He turns His Word towards us. Hear this inspirational message on CHR 1140/am at 8:00 am Sunday mornings. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca



A VERY IMPORTANT REMINDER: *Please do not leave keys or valuables unattended* or in coat pockets. As the weather turns colder and people are wearing coats, there is a tendency to leave keys or other important items in coat pockets. Sadly, we have had people in the past come into the building during our worship, and go through coats, taking keys, money, cell phones, etc. We live in a fallen world, and, while we try to be vigilant, problems do arise. Let us pray that God would turn the hearts of the evildoers to His grace and truth in Christ. But, until that day, your caution is important – please be careful with your valuables!

OUR MINISTRY OF THE WEEK

Our Board of Stewardship seeks to encourage our congregational members in using all that God has given us to His glory – our time, our talents, our treasures. One way is through our Ministry of the Week. This week's highlighted ministry is the **Robert Ohlinger Scholarship**.

This Scholarship Fund, established in memory of Robert Ohlinger, supports those who are studying toward church work careers. It is a wonderful way to show our care and support for those who seek to serve their Lord through the office of pastor or deacon. What a blessing to have those who are preparing for this service; what a blessing to support them, too!

FLC PARKING: This is a reminder that if you, our church members, wish to park in our lot, we ask that you park on the upper level and register your license number with the office, either with a quick phone call or email. Parking on the lower level is reserved for the Preschool and registered university students.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Robert Ohlinger Scholarship Fund

The Robert Ohlinger Scholarship Fund was set up to assist Foothills Lutheran members who are studying to go into professional church work. It is administered by the Board of Elders of Foothills Lutheran Church. The fund was initiated by donations in memory of Robert Ohlinger, the oldest son of our Pastor Emeritus, Eldon Ohlinger, and his wife, Marian. Robert was struck and killed by a car in May 1975 at the age of 14 as he was walking home from a school band activity. Robert played clarinet, bass clarinet, piano and guitar. He enjoyed using his musical gifts as one of FLC's musicians for Sunday morning folk services.

DO YOU FILL IN A "COMMUNION CARD?" These cards help in a variety of ways. First, by reviewing the card, you are reminded of the ways that you can prepare to take the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner. They help you remember the precious gift Jesus gives us as He gives us His body and blood. When you fill them in, it also helps us know our attendance at communion, which helps in our preparing the altar, and which helps the Elders and Pastors as they minister to the needs of God's people. It only takes a moment, and it does help us help you. Please remember to fill them in each time you come to Holy Communion!

CAN YOU HELP WITH MEAL PREPARATION AND CLEANUP? We've planned the meals for the January ***Regional Mission and Ministry Council***, but would welcome some help in serving them. Again, if you can help, please speak to Pastor Bode or Deaconess Miriam. The meeting will be held here on January 17th and 18th.

***HAVE YOU
Heard?***

A SPECIAL PLEA to both past and present executive members of the parish: We need the help of our chairs and secretaries of the PPC, LWML, Youth, Sunday School and all our organizations as we seek to centralize and digitize our church data/minutes/important documents. We seek your cooperation and ask if you are in possession of any such documents that you would please transfer the information onto a USB drive and leave it with Carol in the office.

FRUITY AND BUBBLY juice will substitute for champagne here following the New Year's Eve worship service. And as we did last year, we'll have some cheese and crackers also to say good-bye to the old year and invite in the new. Invite a friend, neighbor, or relative to join you in worship at Foothills.

WE EXTEND OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY and the glorious hope of the resurrection to Paul Kurtz and family, at the death of our sister in Christ, Heidi. Her Christian funeral service will be here on Friday, January 4th. We pray that God would comfort this family with His everlasting love and comfort.

SEVERAL BIBLE STUDIES MEET THIS SATURDAY, including our Men's Breakfast study at 9:00 am, our Women's study at 9:30 and our Kid's Bible Club at 9:30 am. Come and share in this time of spiritual encouragement, as we gather together around God's Word and get to know one another better. Men: breakfast is served—and the Word is great food for us!



GET BACK INTO THE BIBLE! We've said it before: the new year is a great time to rededicate yourself to spend more time in God's Word! Bible reading plans will be available, along the various studies we have. Come and share in the study of the Word, as we hear and heed the voice of our God.

LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Another LifeLight study will soon begin, led by Pastor Eldon and Marian Ohlinger. These studies require homework so we can all be prepared to share with the class and all grow together in our faith. If you plan to attend we will provide you with the necessary study materials. At this time we welcome back all previous members, plus any other interested members, to join us. We meet in the fellowship hall at 10 a.m. and class ends at 11:30 a.m.

HELP US TO BE A HELP: When it comes to recycling, it does make a difference if we do this well, according to city guidelines. Please flatten boxes; rinse containers and do not throw loose bags into the bin. We also ask that you do not put Styrofoam or mixed materials (those that are both paper and metal, for example) with the recycling. And when it comes to refundable bottles, please make sure that these do not contain liquid, and that they also have been rinsed. Your help makes sure that our recycling efforts do not end up being wasted by having these products treated as waste. Thank you!

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