

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

The Epiphany of Our Lord

January 6, 2019

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 Word Made Flesh, You have made Your home among us. May we receive You with joy. May we be enlightened by Your love. And may we see Your glory revealed in our everyday lives.

O Lord Jesus Christ, make our hearts Your home.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: Divine Service 1..... p. 151
HYMNS:825; 891; 411; 397; 374; 412; 373
FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 60:1-6..... p. 787
EPISTLE LESSON: Ephesians 3:1-12 p. 1242
GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 2:1-12 p. 1026
SERMON: *How Far Would You Go?* Matthew 2:1-12

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/ Communion	New Year's Eve	Education Hour
December 30	129/84	25/23	14

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

Narthex Greeters Bill & Erika Schultz; Marj Fiesel
 Sanctuary Greeters Phil & Cheryl Lemke; Brian & Barb Vincent
 Acolyte Griffin Voss
 Lector Stephen Drysdale
 Organist Laurel Anderson
 Coffee Team LWML
 Counter Gary Ring

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

For Our Missions: Pray that both FLC Preschool children and staff will feel rested, renewed, and ready to resume class this coming week.

Family Focus:

OUR WORSHIP IS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY! We love to see children in church! We gather as a family in Christ, from the youngest to the oldest, sharing in God's blessings of forgiveness, life and salvation, which leads us to respond with thankfulness and praise. Children grow into worship by being in worship, and by the example and encouragement of their parents and church family. Their presence is an encouragement to all of us! Parents, watch the bulletin for "Kids in the Divine Service" to help you teach your children about our worship, or for our monthly "Good News for Families", our encouragement to you as you raise your children in the Christian faith.



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

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Today's Sunday School lesson is "Jesus Raises Lazarus." In resurrecting Lazarus, Jesus demonstrated that He can indeed raise all who believe in Him for salvation. True life is eternal life with Jesus. *Consider asking, "Where do we see and experience the effects of sin in our lives? What does Jesus promise to all who believe in Him as Savior?"*

This Week at FLC

Today:	12 Noon	Epiphany Luncheon hosted by LWML
Tuesday:	10:00 am	LifeLight
Wednesday:		Preschool Resumes
	1:30 pm	Silver Saints
	6:30 pm	Worship/Communion
Thursday	7:00 pm	Front to Back Bible Study @ Bodes'
Friday:	7:00 pm	Games Night for All Ages / Youth
Saturday:	9:30 am	Kids Bible Club
	2:00 pm	LWML Knitting Workshop
Sunday:	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Worship

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.

VOTER'S MEETING: Our next voter's meeting is on **January 27th** following a light lunch after service. Please mark it on your calendars and plan to attend.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR (January 13, 2019) "**Reason to Believe**" (**John 1:19-51**) Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Do you have a reason to believe that everyone should believe what you believe? John did. Come and see. Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140/am at 8:00 am Sunday mornings. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

MISSION OF THE MONTH: *Calgary Pregnancy Care Centre*

January is traditionally "Life Month". The efforts to counsel and support those seeking an alternative to abortion is part of those life efforts. We have supported this work through the Formula4Hope Baby Bottle campaign work in the past. Your support helps those who seek to preserve life and help those in distress due to an unexpected pregnancy.

**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.

WHY READ THE BIBLE DAILY? When you are away from home, don't you long for the voice of those you love? We know how important it is to share with family and friends daily (look at the way people use Facebook and other social media!) The Bible is God's Word. It is how He speaks to us. We hear His voice, and stay in contact through prayer. Read your Bible! Let God speak to you! We have a variety of reading plans to help you go through the Scriptures. We'll put some on the welcome desk, or speak to the pastors to get a copy.

LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Another LifeLight study begins **January 8th** 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.



HOSPITAL VISITOR TRAINING: Would you like to train to be a Hospital or Care Facility Visitor? Join us on Saturday, **January 26th** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Basement, 66-7th St. NE Calgary for the initial session of training. Bring a bag lunch. There is no cost for the training. Sponsored by Lutheran Hospital Ministries-Southern Alberta, Pastor Mark Lutheran, Facilitator. Phone 403-637-2650 or email mclobitz@gmail.com

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!



ANNUAL FAMILY GAMES NIGHT WITH A TWIST: Join us this Friday, **January 11th** from 7 to 10 pm for a Games Night! Bring your friends/family, and a snack to share. Come and find out what the twist is! This event is sponsored by the youth, but everyone in the Foothills family is welcome!

OUR YOUTH BIBLE STUDY is meeting again in the Youth Room at 9am with the first in a video series on creation filmed at the life-sized ark replica in Kentucky. Topics for the rest of the school year include prayer, the Means of Grace, and marriage and family. Let the leaders know if there's anything you'd like to study!



PLEASE START USING YOUR 2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES. We made some adjustments to the numbers, so your envelope number may have changed. Please **do not** use your old envelopes anymore. God has blessed us to be a blessing, and provides for us, so that we may use His gifts to His glory. If you need offering envelopes, but don't presently have them, please let the office know.

How much should you give? Scripture says: ***Each one must give as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*** (2 Corinthians 9:7 - ESV) But as we look at the Scripture guidelines for giving, we would note that we should:

- ***Give regularly*** - we should set aside a portion of our income weekly (and yes, even when we are absent) for the work of the Lord's church.
- ***Give faithfully*** - recognize that it is God who has provided all we have. He entrusts it to us, to be used properly and to His glory. This also includes the fact that we should give first to the Lord, not from the leftovers we have.
- ***Give generously*** - we are not to worry about our fair share or simply giving to the budget. We are to give from our hearts, especially the heart that is overjoyed at knowing the wonderful blessings of God.

May God enable us to be faithful stewards throughout the whole year!

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