

Foothills Lutheran Church

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

The
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First Sunday after the Epiphany
January 13, 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 God above, You were well pleased with Your Son, Jesus. May You be well pleased with us, as well, O Father, as we live as Your baptized and beloved children. Help us to follow Your will in all things and to be filled with Your forgiveness and salvation.

O Father in heaven, speak to us in love from above.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

- ORDER OF SERVICE:** As projected
HYMNS: As projected
FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 43:1-7 p. 767
EPISTLE LESSON: Romans 6:1-11 p. 1199
GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 3:15-22 p. 1092
SERMON:

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 at the back of the church, join us for coffee following the service....and please come again very soon.

WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION THIS WEDNESDAY, 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	Wednesday	Education Hour
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SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

Narthex Greeters Gary & Laurel Anderson; Carl & Shirley Berdahl
 Sanctuary Greeters Carl & Shirley Berdahl; Eldon & Marian Ohlinger
 Acolyte Jessika Beckley
 Lector Christine Heumann
 Choir..... *This Is My Beloved Son*
 Coffee Team..... Pat & Lorne Rosenau; Kristy & Kellen Rosenau;
 Lucy Oberhammer
 Counters Alan Pentney; Goodluck Nwaeronu

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

For Our Missions: Thank God for the 3 new students who began preschool classes this past week. Please pray that they settle in quickly as we jump into learning together.

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.



This Week at FLC

Tuesday:	10:00 am	LifeLight
Wednesday:		Circuit Winkel @ FLC
	1:00 pm	Bible Study @ Gladys Byers
	6:30 pm	Worship/Communion
	7:30 pm	Choir Practise
Thursday	9:30 am	Moms & Tots
	7:00 pm	Front to Back Bible Study @ Bodes'
Fri-Sat:		Regional Mission & Ministry Council @ FLC
Sunday:	9:00 am	Education Hour / Confirmation
	10:15 am	Worship/Communion

SUNDAY SCHOOL: In our sin, we are lost from God and doomed to die, but God, in His love, sought and found us and keeps us with Him forever. Today's Bible story is, "Jesus Seeks the Lost" as recorded by St. Luke (Luke 15). *Talk about, "How does God the Holy Spirit work through the the Word and the Sacraments?"*



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: (Jan 20th) "**My Delight is in Her**" (Isaiah 62:1-5) Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Tony Cook. As a bridegroom rejoices over his bride, God rejoices over you. This week we explore our new name and identity as the bride of Christ. Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140/am at 8:00 am Sunday mornings. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca

THE SILVER SAINTS would like to thank our "Servants of the Lord" for their Pastoral Presentation this past Wednesday afternoon. We, as Silver Saints, are encouraged to keep them in our prayers.

Please note that the Silver Saints will be holding their Chinese Takeout Dinner on Wednesday, **January 23rd** at 12 noon. Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board located near the entrance of the Fellowship Hall.

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.

Thank
You!

OUR DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST:

You have again shown your love for us, the pastors and workers in this church with a gift this Christmas. We are blessed through your thoughtfulness, and appreciate your kindness. We truly hope that you know we return that love and appreciation to you. We thank God for you, for your

kindness and for your support. May He continue to bless us in our work and service together, to the glory of His name!

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

OUR YOUTH BIBLE STUDY is meeting again in the Youth Room at 9am with 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!



SUPPORT LUTHERAN HOSPITAL MINISTRIES in the *Walk, Run or Roll for Love* through Confederation Park on Saturday, **April 27th**. Sponsor a Walker, Runner or Roller and/or support by donation. Registration is at 8:30 at Faith Lutheran, 1903 – 19th Avenue NW and walk begins at 9:30 am. For more information, see the poster on the Community Notices bulletin board.

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 **Board of Church Properties**.

In some ways, this board has the biggest responsibility of all, for it is involved with the care, maintenance and equipment of this building. Through this task, it provides a place worthy of the God who is the King of Kings. It also gives us a comfortable, beautiful and serviceable place to gather for fellowship, for education, and of course, for the Word and Sacraments God gives us in His grace. We thank Rick Bennetts and Brad Otko, who undertake the lion's share of this work, for their faithfulness and care of God's house.



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!

HAVE YOU CHECKED YOUR MAILBOX LATELY? We accumulate a great deal of mail that is left unclaimed for even months at a time. Please check your mailbox—and why not take the mail of someone who hasn't or can't be here. It is a good way of sharing with them, and helping them stay connected to the church.

THE FIRST WEST REGION MISSION AND MINISTRY CONFERENCE under our new LCC structure will be held here at Foothills this coming Friday and Saturday. Circuit Counsellors from across the region begin on Friday, followed by the lay / pastoral conference group Friday evening and the next day. This is a new approach, and we do ask for your prayers for those who travel, and for those involved in this work (Pastor Bode and Michelle Heumann represent the Calgary Circuit). May God bless our efforts, to the glory of His name!

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