

FOOTHILLS LUTHERAN CHURCH



July / August
2019

Dear friends in Christ:

It never rains, lest it pours. That cliché seemed to take on new meaning when I returned home the weekend of the LWML district convention. There was a puddle of water on the floor of my garage—and water dripping from the garage roof. Thankfully, it was only in the garage, but still an annoyance, as the roof was replaced only three years ago.

Life in this world is filled with the unexpected: leaky roofs, plugged toilets, broken-down cars happen all the time. A day may almost seem like a fantasy if some troublesome event didn't come our way. For the most part, we take these things in stride. We just have to live with them, because there isn't anything we can do to stop them.

But there are also those unexpected events which are much harder to handle. Out of the blue, we get a phone call to say that someone close to us is in the hospital, and the doctors don't know what is happening. We are startled to hear that there has been a tragic death in the family, or that a dear one has just been diagnosed with cancer or Parkinsons or whatever. We hear about an unexpected family breakup, or of a child who is lost or in trouble with the law. How do we deal with all these things? These things aren't just inconvenient—they are life-changing events which can affect us for as long as we live.

In the midst of this difficult, changing, uncertain world there is one thing that we can be sure of - and that is the goodness of our God, the God of hope, love, faithfulness and salvation. One of the verses I really like to think about in difficult times is written in the book of Lamentations 3:22-23. (Actually, you should read the whole book, but especially 3:22-33). Here Jeremiah cries out in anguish as he sees the pain and destruction that sin brings into the lives of God's people. But he also has hope in the grace and mercy of God. That is why he can say: ***"The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness."*** (Lamentations 3:22-23, ESV)

Jeremiah knew something we all need to remember: being a Christian does not mean that bad things will not happen. But it does mean that we are not consumed by them. Maybe we don't know what is going to happen from day to day. We do know that in this world, so stained and ruined by sin (and that includes our sin), we have trouble and problems and worries. But as Jesus Himself says: ***"In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."*** (John 16:33, ESV)

In the midst of the unexpected, we know that God is still with us. He will see us through. One of the songs the children sing says: "When things are bad, He's there with you; when things are sad He will see you through." And God is faithful to His promises. He says He will be there, that He will help us deal with the difficult, the unexpected, the overwhelming. He will never allow sin, Satan nor the world to overcome His people; those who trust in Him for deliverance.

In the uncertain, troubling and frightening times of life we can find shelter, comfort and hope in our God. Turn to Him, and not only will we be able to cope with things, we will see that we overcome them too by His grace.

May He bless you and give you strength, courage and hope for each and every day.

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Children & Family Ministry

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our last day before the start of summer break was on June 16th. Following our opening, children and teachers gathered in the Fireside Room for a servant event. Children worked to stuff “comfort dolls”, which were completed by ladies in attendance at the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League Canada (LWMLC) convention here in Calgary June 20-22. Ms. Jutta explained to the children that the dolls would be given to the Children’s Cottage, an organization that supports families in crisis by operating a crisis nursery, and providing education and other supports.

We are in need of a team teacher for grade 3 as well as grades 4-5 this fall! As a team teacher you would work out a teaching schedule acceptable to you and your partner, attend regular Sunday School meetings for Bible Study and training, and, above all, help your students to learn about Jesus, their Saviour. Contact Deaconess Miriam for more information!

We give thanks to God for the teachers who, this past year, were faithful in bringing God’s Word to the children in their classes: Preschool – Jutta Colhoun and Lynn Morine; Grades 1-2 – Tobi Stene and Marilyn Harrison; Grade 3 – Brenda Bode and Deaconess Miriam; Grades 4-5 – Patty O’Krafka; Helpers – Donna Poirier, and Jocelyn Cook.

Although the children are on a break for the summer, adults are not! Their Bible study time continues at 9:00 am every Sunday morning. If you would like to attend Bible study, and have children, please contact Deaconess Miriam, and we’ll arrange a learning activity for your children during that time.

Regular Sunday School classes resume Sunday, September 8th! Watch your bulletins and e-mails for more information as we get closer to that date.



MOMS & TOTS

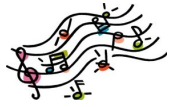
Summer brings a few changes to our schedule. On **Thursday, July 4th** we will meet at a local splash park for some fun with the children. Moms and Tots alumni are welcome to join in! Watch your e-mail or contact Deaconess Miriam for information about time and location. Our regular schedule will resume in September.

TUESDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Will meet through the summer, but our times together will take a different format – perhaps a walk and a devotion, or a DVD and a devotion. Keep an eye on the bulletin and your emails for details!

CHILDREN’S CHOIR

Children’s choir has ended for the summer. The children were grateful for the opportunity to sing during worship in late May, and look forward to resuming rehearsals in the fall. New members age 4-10 are always welcome. Please watch for information as September approaches!



SATURDAY KIDS BIBLE CLUB!

Has also ended for the summer, but we look forward to resuming our monthly gatherings in September. Stay tuned!

MARRIED COUPLES OF ALL AGES

We want to encourage you in your life together! We’re still looking for feedback on the possibility of running either a marriage retreat (a few days away with other married couples that includes devotional time, learning time, and time with your spouse), or a marriage course run over a few Saturdays here in Calgary. If either of these possibilities would be of interest to you, please contact Deaconess Miriam or either of the Pastors.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2019!

JOURNEY WITH JESUS: HE IS THE WAY HOME!



Our summer Vacation Bible School runs the weeks of **July 15-19** and **July 21-26**. Thank you to everyone who has stepped forward to share their time and their gifts so that children, on their journey, will learn just how much God loves them, and how He has unfolded His plan to save them.

We have over 80 children registered in each week, but there are still a few spaces (with the exception of the Kindergarten class in week 2). We encourage you to invite children of friends and neighbours to come and **Journey with Jesus!** Please pray for our students and our volunteers, and contact Deaconess Miriam or Pastor Eric to discuss how you can help!

A Peek Into Our Preschool

Our closing concerts have just taken place and this is the first day I am without children in the classroom. Only 3 of our students were unable to attend the morning class's closing and all our afternoon children were able to attend their closing. Totalling both events, there were 119 in attendance. Thirteen Arch Books were presented to children eligible to return to preschool and 19 Children's Bibles went home with those who will be attending kindergarten in the fall. The children sang some of their favorite songs from the second half of the year. The slide show with photos taken over the year in both classes was a highlight of both concerts. Ms. Amy did a wonderful job. Children and their families heard again about God's great love for them through Jesus.

June's "good-bye" is softened by the knowledge that Ms. Amy and I will get to see some of our preschoolers again in July for VBS. Not only that, but we will be able to catch up a little with some of our alumni from previous years. During our last few preschool classes we talked about that even though we are going various places over the summer and various preschools and kindergartens in September, we would see each other again in heaven someday. This warms my heart as about half our students this year come from un-churched homes. We thank God for the opportunity to share Jesus with children and families and commend them into His care.

Family Time In Christ

GROWING FAITH AT HOME

Have you taken time to look at the coloured insert that is now in our bulletin every week? It's entitled "Growing FAITH at Home", and is for all of our households. Each week you are provided with a guide to Bible readings, some devotional thoughts, suggestions for a creative response that you can do on your own or together as a family, and a short Bible verse to memorize through the week. Use a part of it, or all of it.

If you are going to be away on vacation for a few weeks in a row, and want to take this resource with you, please let us know. We are happy to provide you with advance copies.

We're interested to know whether you are making use of this resource. Please let Deaconess Miriam or the Pastors know what you are finding most helpful.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR FALL CLASSES

Foothills Lutheran Christian Preschool is a licensed, non-profit, half-day program for 3 and 4 year-olds that facilitates the development of whole child in a caring Christian environment. Children have fun with friends, laugh and learn, pray and play, enquire and engage as they are nurtured in their cognitive, physical, creative, spiritual, social, and emotional development by experienced staff. Both our teacher and teaching assistant are members of FLC, have first aid training, and are government certified. We offer services for early intervention for children with special needs on site including a free speech screening for all our 4 year olds in September and are approved to accept children eligible for the stay-at-home parent government subsidy.

Registration for the fall is ongoing. Forms are available at www.preschool.foothillslutheran.com or on the table outside our classroom on the walkout level. Phone or email to schedule a visit. I would be away for a bit at the beginning of July, but I will be here for VBS and I would be very happy to speak with you.

Betty Ann Chandler

Principal/Teacher



AUGUST MISSION OF THE MONTH

FLC Benevolence Fund

There are many times when our members have been in need of help and support. While our Board of Human Care Ministries has a budget to help with the needs of those who come to us, this fund is for the support of the members of FLC who may be at risk of being without their basic living needs. The fund is not a budgeted item, but is supported through the free-will offerings of our members. You can support this effort with your gift, simply designate "Benevolence Fund" on your envelope.

Board of Fellowship

PAST EVENTS

Hot Dog Indoor Picnic - Sunday, June 9th



The Hot Dog Indoor Picnic was a great success with plenty of potato salad to choose from. Ten dozen hotdogs were gobbled up by young and young at heart.

Father's Day - Sunday, June 16th

Chocolate cigars were handed out to the fathers in the congregation. Yeah for DAD!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Stampede Breakfast, July 14th

Join us for the 18th year of the Foothills Stampede Breakfast. Our Stampede Breakfast is a wonderful opportunity to invite friends and family from far and near. We enjoy a great breakfast together, visit with one another, and celebrate the word of God outside.



Do you have any suggestions, questions or concerns? Contact Heather Sommers at (403) 829-2366.

CONTINUING EVENTS

Coffee Teams



Thank you to the wonderful teams that provide fellowship after service on Sunday mornings.

- Team 1 Mark Kihn, Art Hanger, Kim Harvey, Alice Churney, Ron & Diane Voss and Liane Voss-Roper
- Team 2 Anni & Brad Adams, Elfrieda Stewart, Jan Geggie, Marilyn Harrison and Kathy Hilland
- Team 3 Elise Glans, Vi & Otto Dusterhoft and Anne Marie Kothari
- Team 4 Pat & Lorne, Kristy & Kellen Rosenau and Lucy Oberhammer
- Team 5 Tracy & Tim Roth and John & Diane Voss
- Team 6 Belinda & Dave Perrin, Herb & Jane Gurski and Brenda Bode
- Team 7 Ingrid Kubke and Robert Kubke
- Team 8 Shirley & Carl Berdahl, Ellen Wagner and Cheryl Lemke
- Team 9 Heather Sommers, Warren Kee, Merv and Kareen Borgeson
- Team 10 Carol & Lloyd Sandau, Bob & Elsie Will and

Parish Planning Council Effective July 1, 2019

President: Tim Roth

Vice President: Lorne Rosenau

Treasurer: vacant

Directors / Board Chairs:

Education: Co-chairs Kayla Moffett and
Tobi Stene

Evangelism: Mark Kihn

Fellowship: Heather Sommers

Stewardship: Dale Dusterhoft

Church Properties: Rick Bennetts

Human Care Ministries: vacant

Board of Elders:

Gary Anderson

Colin Bablitz

Thomas Benz

Darcy Drysdale

Hans Dueck

Robert Heumann

Phil Lemke

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We are still in need of a Treasurer and Board chair for the Board of Human Care Ministries.
Please contact Tim Roth if you are willing to serve in this capacity.

ABC District Corporation & the “Winding Down” of the Affairs of the Former ABC District—Lutheran Church Canada

Over the last few months the PPC and the Elders have been deliberating over the implications of a letter from Rev. Kubke regarding an entity called ABC District Corporation. ABC District Corporation is the remaining entity from the former ABC District of Lutheran Church Canada. Its function is to “wind down” the affairs of the former ABC District. Look at the May/June edition of the Foot Print for Rev. Kubke’s initial letter explaining ABC District Corporation and the bylaws which are to govern the Corporation. This letter and the bylaws of ABC District Corporation leave us open to paying out additional funds “as needed” for the “winding down of ABC District affairs.

It is possible for Foothills congregation to opt out of the ABC District Corporation. The PPC and Elders are concerned that we may be called upon for additional monies that ABC District Corporation may require down the road for legal representation of former ABC District officers who were involved in the Church Extension Fund debacle.

After some deliberation as to the implications of this letter and the bylaws, PPC asked me to draft a letter to Rev. Kubke stating our questions and concerns arising from his letter. I am including the contents of that letter and I am also including Rev. Kubke’s reply.

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Rev. Kubke,

My name is Tim Roth and I am serving as president of the Foothills Lutheran – Calgary congregation. Our congregation has been studying your letter from March 5, 2019, where you explained the function of the ABC District Corporation in “winding up” the affairs of the ABC District of LCC.

I have been asked to address some concerns to you on behalf of our congregation:

- Could you provide us with a summary of the assets / funds currently available and under the control of the new ABC District Board for continuing operations.
- Has a budget for 2019 been prepared for revenue and expenditures? If yes, please provide a copy.

- We would like to receive a quarterly summary of financial status (i.e. starting with Jan-March 2019), as well as an audited set of financial statements after each year-end.

Certain members are concerned that the congregations that remain with ABC District Corp. might be on the hook to pay for legal fees for former officers of the old ABC District of LCC. “Member congregations may be requested to make voluntary payments to offset costs incurred by the Corporation as it winds up its operations, as referenced in paragraph 5 of these by-laws.” Could you speak to that concern?

I realize that you are serving the church in a voluntary role and I appreciate the difficulties that your role faces. Certainly I will keep you and the other volunteers of ABC District Corp. in my prayers.

Sincerely yours,

Tim Roth

President of Foothills Lutheran Church – Calgary, AB

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Rev. Kubke wrote this reply:

Tim,

Thank you for your questions.

The financial statements and budget will not be available until the CCAA arrangement comes to an end. Until that point, we are still under the supervision of the Monitor, who has not allowed us to communicate such information because it is under their own control. The sale of the final property (the one your own congregation passed on to the District) has finally been approved and the Monitor is preparing for the distribution of the proceeds. Once that is complete, the CEF accounts will be zeroed out and we'll be free to operate as a "normal" organization. At that point, we will most certainly make our financials available as we are able.

To this point in time, the CCAA arrangement and the reporting to the Monitor has meant that audited statements are not necessary, or advised, because such an audit would have to include the entire CEF period,

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ABC District Corporation & the “Winding Down” of the Affairs of the Former ABC District—Lutheran Church Canada Cont’d

would have to be done professionally, and would be prohibitively expensive. Once the CEF is zeroed out, however, we'll be able to provide statements that meet the auditing requirements laid out in the District Constitution and Bylaws, similar to how a congregation typically audits its statements.

There are many questions still to be answered when it comes to legal fees pertaining to issues from the CEF era. Since these questions are legal questions, we may not comment about them as long as our situation is before the courts. The fear that you express is a common fear, and I've been told that the best I can do to speak to that is to encourage congregations to seek their own legal counsel.

As to the voluntary payment bylaw, this is in reference to the fact that, at that time they were written, we had no idea at all what would be in the District accounts when we regain full control of them, at least in practical governance terms. Even now, we won't know what we actually have until the CCAA is closed out. The winding down expenses we are referring to relate to the costs incurred in launching a private members bill to the Alberta Legislature to vote ABC District out of existence when the time is right. This will mostly consist of legal fees for the necessary legal counsel. Before that, there are ongoing costs just to exist. These include staff costs (which will be very low once the CEF commitments are done), rental of office space, telephone, internet, and similar expenses. The duration of that depends on how long it takes to deal with the Representative Action. We may not close down until that is resolved, but we must keep records and remain in operation until then. Finally, we are trying to keep our CRA charity status so that we can work smoothly with other charities (like Synod auxiliaries). We must also exist to process bequests from estates that did not change the name of the beneficiary to LCC, and pass them on to the Synod. This means that we must continue to function as a charity, and keep many District operations intact.

Incidentally, we included that particular funding bylaw for the sake of transparency. Any organization has the right to approach its members for funding at any time, whether or not there is a bylaw stating it. That is also true in regard to our bylaw clarifying an exit proce-

dure. Any member of any organization has the right to resign, whether or not it is spelled out in a bylaw. We thought that it would help to build trust to make sure that members knew their options and had some direction as to how to follow through on any decisions they make in that regard.

Indeed, that is the entire reason why we presented the new bylaws in the first place. With those approved bylaws, the member congregations and church workers have a clear idea of what to expect of us, and we, as the Caretaker Board, can be held accountable quite specifically as we do the work of Convention on your behalf between conventions. The original bylaws of the District before we made those changes had a clause saying that any bylaw that cannot be met does not need to be met. If Convention had not passed the new bylaws, we would have had the freedom to do whatever we thought was right as long as it was within the general mandate of furthering religion. This would have made our work very complicated, and it would have been unfair to ask three volunteers to carry that burden on our own.

There are so many unknowns still before us that there is a good chance that some major, unexpected development will appear. The reason to continue as members of the District is so that congregations and church workers can make important decisions in a future Convention if needed, thus keeping the District under their control instead of giving their power over to three volunteers on the Caretaker Board. The District has always been structured like a congregation, with its Board having its closest analogy in a typical Church Council. Giving up District membership is like giving up a place in the Voter's Assembly and letting someone else look after the difficult things. Remaining in District is a statement of willingness to continue to work things out together until the problems that we share as members of Convention are resolved.

I hope that these responses prove helpful to you.

Pastor Kubke

“Winding Down” Cont’d

At the June Voter’s Meeting a motion was made to remove Foothills Lutheran Church from ABC District Corporation. The motion was tabled to come up again at the September Voter’s Meeting. We are not leaving Lutheran Church Canada or the Alberta British Columbia Region of LCC by this motion. I ask you to prayerfully consider this dilemma. You may wish to speak to myself, Lorne Rosenau, Terry Naven, Phil Lemke or Brian Kehler with your questions in hopes that a better understanding of our dilemma is reached.

In His service,

Tim Roth

President of Foothills Lutheran Church – Calgary, AB

LWMLC

LWMLC ABC DISTRICT CONVENTION



The South Alberta Zone hosted the LWMLC ABC District Convention at the Coast Plaza Hotel & Conference Centre in Calgary, June 20—22.

Our theme was from Philippians 2: 1 – 4: “If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from His love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.”

We had a wonderful weekend focused on this Bible verse as we gathered together for worship, Bible Studies, servant events, and inspirational speakers. Thanks to all of you who supported us in your prayers and donations. You are all part of your Community of Believers!

For more information about our convention, check out our bulletin board by the entrance to the kitchen.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Lemke

Elders Report

The Elders have continued to work on preparation of the Legal and Tax submission documents (see also the April 2019 Foot Print for further details) regarding the Unwinding of the Loving Saviour Mission project (and Mt Calvary fund) that are planned to be submitted to an appropriate professional provider with the expectation of receiving the legal and tax advice FLC requires in identifying and lifting restrictions on affected funds. The valuations of the respective 2018 year end Designated Fund have now been finalized and will be included. Once this draft is complete, it will be submitted to the PPC for further review and upon its approval, is targeted to be presented to the voters in the fall.

The Elders continue to make contact and/or visitations with FLC membership families as has been assigned to each. Feedback received through this contact is being forwarded to church office for either spiritual and/or administrative concerns.

The Elders discussed potential changes to the timing of First Communion practice for upcoming confirmands under special circumstances but have decided not to make any changes at this time.

In light of FLC’s recent trend of overall declining financial receipts and pre-school registration numbers, the Elders have recognized the need to review causes of these trends and investigate possible ways to reverse.

The Elders have recognized the need to review the church membership figures as overall numbers seem high and many listed family units appear to be inactive. As higher than reasonable roster numbers have the potential lead to a disproportionate and unfavourable weighting of shared costs within the synod and west region, the Elders would like to make this a focus point for next year through further investigation and a wider scope of member contact with the intention of bringing the numbers closer in line with actual.

Respectfully submitted,

Warren Kee – Chairman of the Board of Elders

Summer Sermon Series

For several weeks, we offered you an opportunity to say what you would like to hear in a sermon, as we seek to apply the wonderful, powerful, living Word of God to the questions of our lives. We had some interesting responses, and appreciate your thoughtfulness.

As we hear that Word applied to our questions, may we be encouraged again in the fact that the Word of the Lord is the “one thing needful”, the very source of our hope, our life and our strength for each day.

The following is the schedule for this series, including the request that was made and the text and theme that will be the basis of that sermon.

Requested Theme	Text and Theme	Date
Fruit of the Spirit	The Fruit in the Middle - Galatians 5:13-25	June 30, 2019
Modern Day Miracles	The Wonder of God's Works - Matthew 14:13-21	July 7, 2019
Friendship Sunday		July 14, 2019
Why is Song of Songs in the Bible? Isn't it a little suggestive for the church? Does it ever get included in the lectionary?	The Power of Love - Song of Songs 8:6-7	July 21, 2019
What does it mean to be baptized into Jesus' death in Romans 6:3-4	And You are There! - Romans 6:3-4	July 28, 2019
Guest - Adam Chandler		Aug. 4, 2019
What happens to the soul until the resurrection? What will I look like when they are reunited?	Your “Best You” - 1 Corinthians 15:35-49	Aug. 11, 2019
Speaking in Tongues	Gifted for His Glory—1 Corinthians 12:7-11	Aug. 18, 2019
The Second Death	The Two Sides of the Coin - Revelation 20:6	Aug. 25, 2019

We try to match the topics with the lessons for the day—something very hard to do this year. That may mean your request is being addressed while you are on holidays, and we apologize. You can get the text of the sermons from the website: www.foothillslutheran.com

As we look to God's Word, may it bring blessings to use and encourage us for all we do in His name!

The Priest is not an angel sent from heaven. He is a man chosen from among men, a member of the Church, a Christian.

Remaining man and Christian, he begins to speak to you the Word of God.

This Word is not His own. No, he comes to you because God has told him to proclaim God's Word.

Perhaps he has not entirely understood it himself. Perhaps he adulterates it. But he believes, and despite his fears he knows that he must communicate God's Word to you.

For must not some one of us say something about God, about eternal life, about the majesty of grace in our sanctified being; must not some one of us speak of sin, the judgement and mercy of God?

So my dear friends, pray for him, carry him so that he might be able to sustain others by bringing to them the mystery of God's love revealed in Christ Jesus.

Karl Rahner

LYF in Christ (Youth)

Upcoming Youth Events

Youth group, or LYF (Lutheran Youth at Foothills), is for youth in grades 7 to 12, and usually meets every other Friday from 7 to 10 pm. Bring your friends!

We also meet every Sunday during the school year at 9 am for Bible study in the youth room (except for long weekends).

The youth leaders are Pastor Eric and Kayla, and Trevor and Michelle Heumann, with help from Deaconess Miriam. Talk to any of us if you have questions!

Stay connected with youth news by joining the youth Snapchat (talk to Kayla or Michelle to join), giving Pastor Eric your email address, or joining the Facebook group!

www.facebook.com/groups/foothillslutheranyouth/

New for fall 2019! We're launching a youth group waiver and registration form, which will help us have emergency contact info and other important info easily accessible. In August, parents will get an email from Pastor Eric with the forms attached, and they'll be available on the youth bulletin board.

Beach Day in Chestermere! On Saturday, July 20, we'll meet at the church at 10:30 am and head out to Chestermere for the day. Bring money for lunch and snacks, sunscreen and a water bottle, and a bathing suit and towel. We'll be back at the church about 4:30.

Slo-pitch tournament: August 9-11 in Golden BC. This is our Annual regional Ball tourney. If you're interested in playing, scorekeeping, or just coming to watch we'd love to have you there. We've had some great youth players recently (don't tell them I said that, it'll go to their heads) and I know that there are some of you that want to come play! It's a lot of fun, good scenery and you get to play slo-pitch for a weekend. Ask Pastor Eric for details.

September events: Sunday morning youth Bible study will start back up on September 8, and the first youth event of the year is September 13. Also watch for news about a road trip one Friday/Saturday, probably on the weekend of the 20th.

Youth retreats: Save the date for the fall youth retreat from November 1-3. Pastor Mike Kuhn will be our speaker this year! Also save July 2-5, 2020, for the IM-PACT Youth Gathering in southern BC!

Scavenger Hunt

Thanks to everyone who attended the fourth annual photo scavenger hunt! Twelve people split into three teams to hunt for locations and items worth different amounts of points. The team with the most points has the (questionable) honour of keeping the trophy lamp, signed by the previous winning teams, until next year's scavenger hunt. Watch for the fifth annual scavenger hunt in spring 2020!



Scavenger Hunt 2019



Wrapping up the Christian Education year with youth vs confirmands trivia



Games at the church

FLC Choir



MANY joyful notes from the choir! What an exciting season we've had, singing our way through our Lord's passion and resurrection – HALLELUJAH!! June 10th was the last Sunday for the choir for this season, and we look forward to seeing everyone back again, as well as NEW voices!! Thank you to everyone for your encouragement and kind words for the choir – it truly is a blessing for this fellowship. Do you have a favourite song that the choir has sung in the past and want to hear it again? Send me a note! Watch Sunday bulletins in August for more information about when our first Wednesday practice will be in the fall. For more info, please contact Christine Heumann.

Operation Christmas Child

Let it snow! Let it snow! Let it snow! Sorry, I couldn't help myself but Christmas and Operation Christmas Child are just a few scant months away. The summer is an excellent time to pick up some items for your gift box, such as summer clothes, toys and school supplies. Have yourself a merry little summer. Contact Elke Bittmann at 403-295-0271 for more information.



Silver Saints

The Silver Saints ended the current season by being hosted by Carol and Lloyd Sandau at their home west of the city. Although the weather did not look promising, it remained sunny, but cool until we were getting ready to return to our homes when some rain fell putting an end to a Bocce game. We held our picnic both out on the deck and indoors. Thanks to our Heavenly Father for blessing us with a good day! Thank you, Lloyd and Carol for your hospitality once again.

We thank everyone whose presentations were very interesting, informative and enjoyable during this past year. It has been a very good year for us with lots of participation and interest. We welcome you to join us and if you have an interesting topic you would like to share with us, we'd love to hear from you!

We have begun plans for this fall. Information, such as events, dates, etc., will be placed in the Foot Print, weekly bulletins and on the information board near the Fellowship Hall. Our first meeting will be in September. Have a restful and fun summer! May God continue to bless us and give us His peace!

Helen Duholke



**Annual Wind-up
June 19, 2019**



Noteworthy

AS YOU TRAVEL THIS SUMMER we encourage you to attend a Lutheran church wherever you happen to be and ask that you bring back the bulletin from that church. Place the bulletin in the office mailbox and we will track that location on a wall-sized map of North America. The map is posted on the bulletin board outside of the library under the heading “This is My Father’s World”.

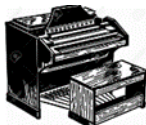
DISTRICT SOFTBALL: The District Softball Tournament is happening in Golden, BC on August 9 to 11. We have registered a team for the tournament, and would love to have you come out and play with us! Or if you just want a beautiful weekend in the mountains and take in some ball that is great too! Please contact Pastor Eric if you are interested as we will be starting our practices soon! And if you can't make the tournament but would love to join our practices to play some ball please also let Pastor Eric know!

NEEDED: TREASURER AND BOARD CHAIR FOR HUMAN CARE MINISTRIES. We are looking for someone who is willing to fill these vacancies. Please contact Tim Roth if interested.

OUR NEXT VOTERS’ MEETING is scheduled for September 15th. Please mark it on your calendar and plan to attend.

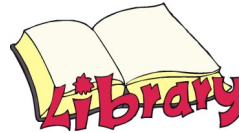
SUMMER OFFICE HOURS: Please make sure to phone the office prior to coming by the church to ensure that someone will be here to let you in. Pastor Bode, Pastor Eric and Deaconess Miriam are out of the office at various times as their work requires (and hopefully will take some well-deserved time off, too).

THE NEW ORGAN IS TAKING SHAPE! We’ve seen some pictures of our organ being built (yes, they are all custom made!) and we are excited that it should arrive after VBS.



While much of the cost will come from a bequest, you can help support this effort with your gifts. Simply mark them, “Organ”. Praise be to God for the wonderful gift of music, and for the ability to praise Him in song. (and thanks be to God for our organists!)

Library Notes



What better time than summer to explore what our church library has to offer you – and perhaps to find out what you can offer to it as well!

We have books and resources on everything from serious Bible study to children's DVDs, and much in between. Some of these items have been in our library and well-used for many years, while others are brand-new and are being added weekly to our shelves.

This summer, we'll be adding many new books, starting with over 100 children's Bible story books (many of them from the popular Arch series), and about 50 other books in the general category of Christian fiction. We'll be simplifying some of the shelf numbering system and adding category labels to many of the shelves and books to make them easier to locate and use.

If you'd like to give a hand in preparing these resources for library use, drop in before or after church and see how and when you could help.

And of course “browsers” are ALWAYS welcome to check out what's new, to ask for reading or research suggestions, or just to have a look at a shelf or even a magazine that you might have overlooked in the past.

If you're not sure how to find the library, just ask one of the greeters or ushers and they'll be pleased to show you the way – just along the upper hallway past the offices and the fellowship room to the last door on the left before the west exit doors.

Many Joyful Notes from the Choir



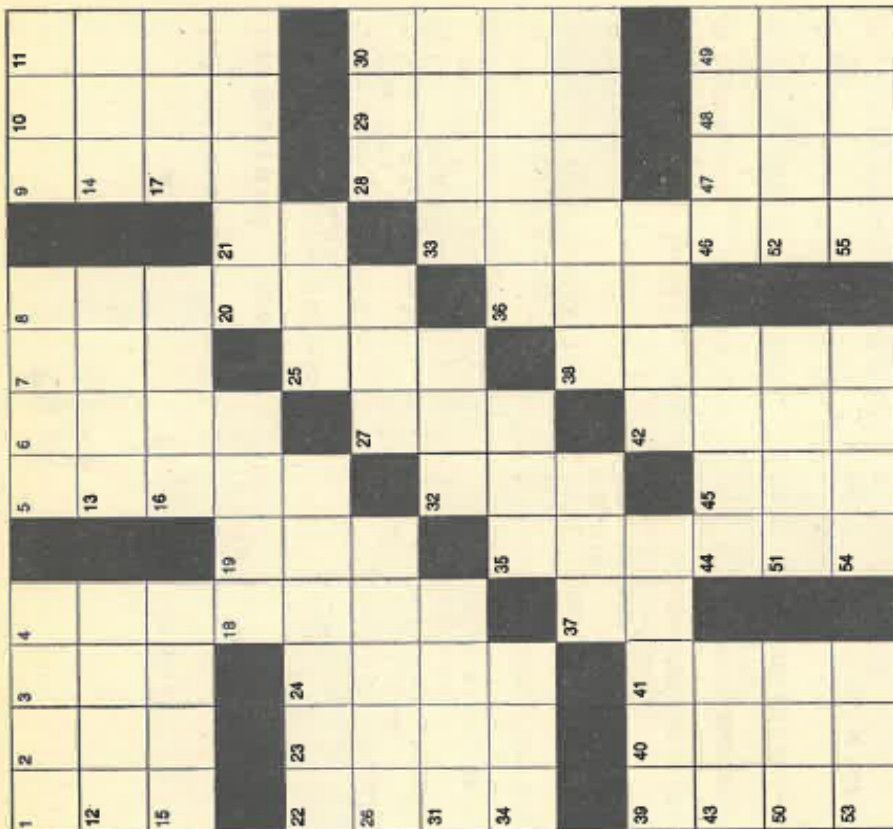
What an exciting season we've had! HALLELUJAH!! As we break for the summer, we hope you have a safe and blessed, warm time. Please consider joining us in early September as we start our journey to Christmas. Watch for more information in August about our first practice. If you would like more information about joining us, please contact me at christineheumannnecgy@gmail.com.

Across

1. There is _____ here, which hath five barley leaves. (John 6:9)
 5. Go to the Philistines to get their plows, _____ ... sharpened. (1 Sam. 13:20 ave)
 9. Nigerian tribe.
 12. As he passed by, he saw _____ the son of Alphaeus. (Mark 2:14)
 13. Naum, which was the son of _____. (Luke 3:25)
 14. He regarded the _____ estate of his handmaid-en. (Luke 1:48)
 15. Lo, in her mouth was an olive _____. (Gen. 8:11)
 16. Does not keep a tight _____ on his tongue. (James 1:26 niv)
 17. Pierce his ear with an _____. (Exod. 21:5 niv)
 18. But now being made _____ from sin. (Rom. 6:22)
 20. And put my finger into the print of the _____. (John 20:25)
 22. I believe everything that _____ with the Law. (Acts 24:14 niv)
 25. When the _____ heard it, they were moved with indignation. (Matt. 20:24)
 26. I _____ thy voice in the garden. (Gen. 3:10)
 27. The sun and the _____ were darkened. (Rev. 9:2)
 28. My heart standeth in _____ of thy word. (Ps. 119:161)
 31. I will strengthen the _____ of the king. (Ezek. 30:24)
 32. Every _____ that useth milk is unskilful in the word. (Heb. 5:13)
 33. Albanian river.
 34. Low (French).
 35. Having the key of the bottomless _____. (Rev. 20:1)
 36. Tendency.
 37. Love worketh no _____ to his neighbour. (Rom. 13:10)
 38. He _____ the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God. (Rev. 19:15 niv)
 39. The Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and _____ three are one. (1 John 5:7)
 42. In three _____ I will raise it up. (John 2:19)
 43. _____ me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children. (Ps. 144:11)

Down

1. And so _____ Israel shall be saved. (Rom. 11:26)
 2. We sailed to the _____ of Crete. (Acts 27:7 niv)
 3. The king of Assyria brought men from Babylon, ... Cushan, and ... _____. (2 Kings 17:24)
 4. And star _____ from star in splendor. (1 Cor. 15:41 niv)
 5. The Amorites would dwell in mount _____ in Aijalon. (Judg. 1:35)
 6. As he saith also in _____, I will call them my people, which were not my people. (Rom. 9:25)
 7. _____ perceived that the Lord had called the child. (1 Sam. 3:8)
 8. Likewise joy shall be in heaven over one _____ that repenteth. (Luke 15:7)
 9. Simeon the Hushathite, _____, the Aethiopian. (1 Chron. 11:29)
 10. The silver cord be loosed, or the golden _____ be broken. (Eccles. 12:6)
 11. I am a brother to dragons, and a companion to _____. (Job 30:29)
 19. Bring thee a _____ healer without spot. (Num. 19:2)
 21. But a son; and if a son, then _____ heir of God. (Gal. 4:7)
 22. _____ told Jezebel all that Elijah had done. (1 Kings 19:1)
 23. Shimei the son of _____ fell down before the king. (2 Sam. 19:16)
 24. Let seven priests bear seven trumpets of _____ horns. (Josh. 6:6)



25. _____ the line to the cart, and bring their calves. (1 Sam. 6:7)
 27. Picnic pest.
 28. He made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple _____. (John 2:15 niv)
 29. The _____ bloweth where it listeth. (John 3:8)
 30. The _____ of the earth were afraid, drew near. (Isa. 41:5)
 32. Give us of your _____; for our lamps are gone out. (Matt. 25:8)
 33. Bringeth forth herbs meet for them by whom it is _____. (Heb. 6:7)
 35. No one calls for justice; no one _____ his case. (Isa. 59:4 niv)
 36. To _____ them that dwell upon the earth. (Rev. 3:10)
 37. No prophecy of the scripture _____ of any private interpretation. (2 Peter 1:20)
 38. And hath been _____ of mankind. (James 3:7)
 39. Will you keep to the old path that evil men have _____? (Job 22:15 niv)
 40. The labourer is worthy of his _____. (Luke 10:7)
 41. Him that holdeth the sceptre from the house of _____. (Amos 1:5)
 42. We _____ not make ourselves of the number. (2 Cor. 10:12)
 45. It is appointed unto men once to _____. (Heb. 9:27)
 47. Ben-hadad _____ hearkened unto king _____. (2 Chron. 16:4)
 48. Fleshly lusts, which _____ against the soul. (1 Peter 2:11)
 49. I went down to the grove of _____ trees. (Song of Sol. 6:11 niv)