

Foothills Lutheran Church

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



Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

September 1, 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: We lift up our hearts in praise to You, O Lord. Raise our spirits by continuing to declare Your love to us, and heighten our joy as we wait for all Your promises to be fulfilled.

O Lord lifted up, we keep our eyes on You.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: As projected

HYMNS:..... As projected

FIRST LESSON: Proverbs 25:2-10p. 694

EPISTLE LESSON: Hebrews 13:1-17p. 1286

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 14:1-14p. 1110

SERMON:

WELCOME: We are glad to rejoice with you this day in the goodness of the Lord! We invite you to join us in our songs of praise, our words of love, our prayers, and as we listen to the Word of God. May God bless your worship here today and fill your life with his love as you go through this coming week! Guests and visitors are asked to sign our guest book at the back of the church, or to fill out one of the cards in the pew rack. Please come and join us again.

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.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: (September 8th) **“Play Your Part” Genesis 2)** Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Dr. Zeigler says we each have a part to play on God’s stage-with a script, without a tryout, with freedom and responsibility. How will you play your part? Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140/am at 8:00 am Sunday mornings. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca.

NEW ISSUES OF PORTALS OF PRAYER AND FOOT PRINT are now available on the Welcome Desk.

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of:	Sunday Worship	Wednesday Worship/Communion	Education Hour
August 25	156	10/10	20

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

Narthex Greeters Bill & Erika Schultz; Marj Fiesel; Hans Dueck
 Sanctuary Greeters Brian & Barb Vincent; Brian & Carol Kehler
 Lector Carl Berdahl
 Organist Miriam Winstanley
 Coffee Team Elise Glans; Vi & Otto Dusterhoft; Anne Marie Kothari
 Counter Gary Ring

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession

For Our Missions: Thank God for the opportunity to share His word with new preschool families as children attend an orientation class with a parent this week.

Family Focus:

This Week at Foothills

Monday:		Labour Day, Office Closed
Tuesday:	6:00 pm	Board of Elders
	7:00 pm	Confirmation Meeting
Wednesday:		Preschool Orientation Classes
	6:30 pm	Worship
	7:30 pm	Choir
Thursday:		Preschool Begins
	10:00 am	Moms & Tots
Saturday:	9:00 am	Men's Breakfast Bible Study
	9:30 am	Kid's Bible Club
Rally Sunday:	9:15 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Contemporary Worship
	12:00 pm	Faith @ Home "My Bible"

THE FLOWERS WHICH BEAUTIFY GOD'S ALTAR IN SEPTEMBER are given to the glory of God by Christine Heumann in loving memory of her mother, Dorothy Graham.

THANK YOU to our workers and volunteers who have worked hard and long hours to prepare the student residence for the 4 residents this coming term. Specifically we thank Henry Jarowicz, Brian and Barb Vincent, Ralf Hinterleitner and Mark Kihn. Your efforts are much appreciated.

MISSION OF THE MONTH – Concordia Lutheran Mission Society

An auxiliary organization within LCC, CLMS works to support various missionary, educational, and social ministry projects in Canada and around the world. They are an independent mission society, but work in partnership with Lutheran Church—Canada, seeking to enhance our efforts to reach out with the Gospel. Your gift helps with this wonderful work!

YOUTH AND PARENTS: We'll be having a parents' meeting during the first youth event on September 13! Parents are invited to come ask questions and get some info about upcoming youth events and fundraisers. Please let Pastor Eric know if you'll be coming. If you aren't able to make it but would still like to talk with the youth leaders, just let us know!

On September 13th we'll be kicking off the new school year with games at the church from 7 to 10 pm. Bring a snack to share and a friend! We might play games outside so be prepared for the weather!



FAITH AT HOME BIBLE PRESENTATION AND LEARNING SESSION: On Sunday, September 8th, parents of children turning 7 this year will have an opportunity to fulfill one of the promises they made at their child's baptism. During the service they will place in their child's hands a Bible. Following the service, those families are invited to the Fireside Room for lunch and a session designed to help them make good use of this special gift. Families should have received an invitation, either by mail or in their church mailbox. Please RSVP to Deaconess Miriam if you plan to attend!

A CONFIRMATION MEETING for all new and returning students and their parents will be held Tuesday, September 3rd at 7:00 pm. Letters were mailed to the families we know should be enrolled. If you did not receive a letter, or think your child should be in Confirmation, please speak to the pastor.



VOTERS' MEETING: Please mark September 15th in your calendars and plan to attend our next Voters' meeting. Board executives, please have your information for Voters' packages to the office by next Sunday.

AS STUDENTS MOVE AWAY FOR SCHOOL, or move to Calgary for their studies, we want to encourage them in their spiritual life. If you, or someone you know, is moving to another city for study, please share that with Pastor Eric. We'll try to get them connected with a local church. If you know a student moving to Calgary, let him know that, too, so we can reach out to them and invite them to join us.

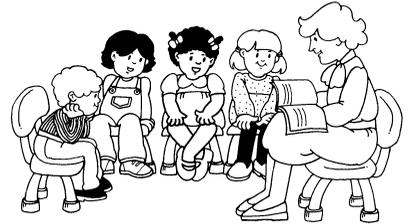


MANY OF OUR ACTIVITIES ARE STARTING UP AGAIN, and we want you to know about the many things we are doing, and the many opportunities for learning, sharing and serving. In the coming weeks we will be highlighting various ministries of our church in the coming days. We hope that this will help you be aware of the work that we are privileged to undertake with the grace and help of the Lord.

RALLY SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 8TH! Sunday morning Bible study has continued through the summer, but we are looking forward to resuming our other Christian Education opportunities. Sunday School, Youth Bible Study, and Confirmation begin Sunday, September 8th at 9:00 am.

There are many ways in which we try to give you the opportunity to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest that Word, as one of our prayers reminds us. That is the focus behind our Rally Day, as we gather around the Word and remind ourselves of the importance of it. Here are some ways you can be in the Word:

- **SUNDAY SCHOOL, YOUTH BIBLE STUDY AND CONFIRMATION** begin with an **opening at 9:00 am in the sanctuary**. Take this opportunity to invite your friends and neighbours to join you. Our adult bible study in the parish hall continues, as it has all summer.
- **CONFIRMATION STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS** meet in the Fireside Room Sunday mornings at 9:00 am.
- **LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY--TUESDAYS AT 10:00 AM:** Starting September 24th, Pastor Eldon and Marian Ohlinger will lead another 9 week in-depth LifeLight Bible Study on Luke. If you plan to attend, we will provide you with the necessary study materials. 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. **The Thursday evening session** will begin September 19th, and will be studying Ezra / Nehemiah. Miriam for more information.



O SING TO THE LORD! With the beginning of the fall, our choir will resume rehearsal, and we always look for new voices to join us in praising our God. The choir rehearses following the Wednesday evening service, at 7:30 pm. There is great joy in sharing in song, and proclaiming God's goodness in His gift of music. All voices are welcome! We begin again on September 4th.

OUR MONTHLY KIDS BIBLE CLUB will resume Saturday, September 7th from 9:30 – 11:30 am. This year our theme will be *Jesus: Our Good Shepherd*. If you are interested in having your children participate, please contact Deaconess Miriam to register your child age 4-10 years.

OUR MEN'S BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY will meet on Saturday, September 7th, and we will look at another great men of the Bible We meet at 9:00 am for breakfast, and time together in the Word. We wrap up by 10:30. We invite all the men to come and join us.





HAVE YOU EVER NOTICED THE SUBTLE CEREMONY of receiving the offerings during the Divine Service? The offerings are collected in plates or baskets, and they are brought forward and given to the pastor. The pastor turns toward the altar, and, as he slightly bows his head, the offerings are raised slightly to the Lord and placed on the altar.

Why do we have this ceremony? And what does it teach us? For that is what ceremony does—it teaches, as the Augsburg Confession tells us what we need to know about Christ (AC XXIV, 1–3). Originally, this ceremony included more than simply bringing forward what was collected in the offering plates. The elements for the Holy Communion—the bread and the wine—were brought forward with the offerings. The offerings and elements were lifted toward the Lord and placed upon the altar. The altar, now made a table, would be set for the Lord’s Supper.

Gifts brought to the altar come from the sweat of His people’s brow. They are the bread and wine, the fruits of His people’s labor in this fallen world. After six days of labor and toil, the people are to bring a generous proportion for the Lord’s work. Gifts set upon the altar are offered to the Lord for Him to take up and press into service for His gracious work.

What is offered to the Lord from the sweat of His people’s brow – the bread of anxious toil – comes back to us as the bread of life. The bread comes down from heaven that whoever eats this bread and drinks this cup will receive life through the forgiveness of their sins.

What a blessing! God provides for us in all things. He provides bread from the sweat of our brows. He receives this from us in the first-fruits offerings we give to Him in thanksgiving and praise, and He turns these into spiritual bread. He gives this heavenly bread – the bread of eternal life – back to us so we might have joy.

So, the next time you are in the Divine Service, watch this ceremony in wonder. The offerings we have given to Him, the Lord gives back to us in His supper so that we may rejoice in the salvation He won for us upon the cross.

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