

Foothills Lutheran Church

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



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LUKE 18:13

Twenty Third Sunday After Pentecost

November 17, 2019

Education Hour:.....	9:00 am
Morning Worship with Communion: (1 st , 3 rd and 5 th)	10:15 am
Wednesday Evening Worship:	6:30 pm

A Prayer Upon Entering: May we, O Lord, humble ourselves in Your presence. May we bow before You in reverence. May we come before You ready to repent and ready to receive Your forgiveness.

Lord of the Church, bless the prayers of Your people.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: Divine Service 1; p. 151

HYMNS:..... 733; 581; 664; 628; 508; 750; 783

CHOIR: *Jesus, Rock of Ages*

FIRST LESSON: Malachi 4:1-6p. 1021

EPISTLE LESSON: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13.....p. 1260

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 21:5-28p. 1119

SERMON: Watch Your Mouth! – James 3:3-10

WELCOME! It is a joy to have you with us today, especially the visitors who have joined us this morning. We gather together this day to be fed with the life-giving word of God. If you are visiting with us today, we hope you will join us again and find the joy, peace and life we have as God's people. We also hope you will sign our guest book at the back of the 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.

ADVENT DEVOTION BOOKLETS are available on the Welcome Desk. These booklets are prepared by Lutheran Hour Ministries, to help in the preparation of our hearts to celebrate the coming of the Saviour. Pick up a copy; we can always print more!

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of:	Sunday Worship	Wednesday Worship/Communion	Education Hour
November 10	120	11/11	27

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

Narthex Greeters Art Hanger; Kim Harvey; Lorne & Pat Rosenau
 Sanctuary Greeters Merv & Karen Borgeson; Brian & Barb Vincent
 Acolyte Jaxson Stene
 Lector Tim Roth
 Coffee Team Heather Sommers; Warren Kee; Merv & Karen Borgeson
 Counters Alan Pentney; Goodluck Nwaerongu

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

For Our Missions: Please pray for the children in our preschool with special needs that they would be able to grow and learn as the unique people they are.

Family Focus:

MISSION OF THE MONTH – Inn from the Cold

The mission of Inn from the Cold is to provide emergency shelter, support and programs to homeless children, their families and others in need, with the goal of building healthy, stable families and ending homelessness. A number of churches, community associations and organizations have come together to provide emergency shelter and resources for Calgary's homeless. These Community Inns continue to operate on a rotating basis, 365 days a year, and are located in communities across Calgary. Inn from the Cold also operates Calgary's first Emergency Family Shelter.



THE FLOWERS which beautify our altar today are given to the glory of God by Christine Sander in loving memory of her husband, John.

GIFTS FROM THE HEART: Canadian Lutheran World Relief's Gifts from the Heart catalogue provides meaningful, tangible gifts that share God's love with the world. No matter which gift you choose, the gifts you give will change lives and touch your loved ones! Visit [www. clwr.org/GFTH](http://www.clwr.org/GFTH) to learn more. Catalogues are also available on the Welcome Desk.

CHRISTMAS BAKING: It's hard to believe that we are a few weeks away from Advent. For those of you starting your Christmas baking early, could you consider setting aside a batch for our church freezers to be used during fellowship time? The fellowship committee and teams wish to thank all of you who sneak baking into the freezers throughout the year! It is a valuable contribution! Please remember to date and label your goodies and leave the baking that contains nuts at home. Thank you.

This Week at Foothills

Monday:	7:00 pm	Youth IMPACT Meeting/Mail Out Project
Tuesday:	10:00 am	LifeLight
	4:00 pm	Mustard Seed Dinner
Wednesday:	1:00 pm	Ladies Bible Study @ Gladys Byers
	6:30 pm	Worship
	7:30 pm	Choir
Thursday:	10:00 am	Moms & Tots
	7:00 pm	Front to Back Bible Study @ Bodes'
	7:00 pm	LifeLight @ Helen Duholke's
Sunday:	9:00 am	Education Hour
	9:15 am	Faith @ Home "Devotions"
	10:15 am	Worship

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: (Nov 24th) "**God Is Love**" (1 John 4:7-12) Guest Speaker Pastor Jeff Cloeter. Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140/am at 8:00 am Sunday mornings. Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: November 19th is the last day to bring in your shoe boxes. Contact Elke Bittman at 403-295-0271 if you have any questions.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Today, we studied "The Fall and a Promise." The slithery serpent caused Eve to doubt God's Word with one simple question: "Did God actually say . . .?" (Genesis 3:1). Seeking to gain wisdom, Eve and Adam rebel against their Creator. Suddenly aware of their condition before God, they vainly attempt to hide their sinful exposure. With sin comes punishment that is just; yet our heavenly Father does not leave humankind without hope. Instead, He promises One who will come to rescue His people from the jaws of death and Satan. As a family, discuss the importance of God's promise of the Savior.

MUSTARD SEED VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: The last few years have been difficult for so many, with the economic downturn, and many losing their jobs. That can keep us from seeing God's blessings in the face of our struggles.

God has blessed us, so that we can also be a blessing to others. That is why we are planning another service opportunity at the Mustard Seed (7025 44 St. **SE**). It costs around \$1,000 to provide the meal for the many who come in need. We can support this effort together, even as we look for people to help serve this dinner. Those who have gone have all commented on the blessing it has been. Our next event is **November 19th**, from 4:00 – 8:30 pm. The first nine to sign-up on the sheet on the Human Care Ministry bulletin board will win this fantastic evening of fellowship and service, with additional names welcomed on the *sub-list* list. Should you have any questions, please contact Gail Dusterhoft at 403-813-4835 or gailld@shaw.ca

SILVER SAINTS: Thanks to Pastor Bode for the information he provided regarding Christian Funerals, Wills and Estates on November 13th.

There has been a program change as Brian Printz has a conference to attend on November 27th so will not be available for his talk on Remembrance Day observations. As an alternative, a film may be shown in this time slot.

December 11th at 12 noon will be the Christmas Dinner, hosted by Vi and Otto Dusterhoft. A sign-up sheet is available on the Silver Saints bulletin board to let us know that you will attend and what you will bring.

THE SACRED SEASON OF ADVENT begins December 1st, and we look forward in joyful expectation to the Lord who comes to save His people. We invite you to make our midweek Advent Services a special part of this preparation. Services are Wednesdays, at 6:30 pm, beginning December 4th. We will begin at 5:30 pm on Wednesday evenings with a soup supper and then gather for worship. We hope you will be with us for this special time of preparation and devotion!



INFORMATION MAILOUT HELP: Did you know that the IMPACT Youth Gathering (previously the ABC District Youth Gathering) is co-chaired by Michelle Heumann and Pastor Eric, and will be happening in southern BC in July? On Monday, November 18, we'll be meeting at the church at 7pm to assemble info

packages to mail to all the churches in the Region, and would appreciate your help with folding, stuffing, and sticking! If you're able to help or would like more info, please contact cochairs@impactyg.ca.



NOVEMBER IS STEWARDSHIP MONTH! During the month of November, we will be focusing on our role as Stewards of God's gifts to us. Stewardship is the giving of our time, talents and treasures out of thankfulness for all that God has done for us. Giving of our treasures involves giving back to God what he has already blessed us with.

Everything we have comes to us as a blessing from our Lord. Giving some of our treasures to our church or towards helping our neighbors when we are blessed with abundance is what God has instructed us to do. 2 Corinthians 9:7 says: *"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."* Please prayerfully consider all the blessings that you have and what can be given back in offerings to our church. Our congregation and Lutheran Church Canada have numerous mission and ministry programs underway to bring Christ to the world. These can only be funded with donations from our members. This past year has been a difficult year for the congregation financially, and we are currently running behind our offerings goal as a congregation in our church budget. We ask you to prayerfully consider additional giving both this year and next to help continue to fund the work of our church.

TACO-IN-A-BAG FUNDRAISER: After worship on December 1, join the youth for lunch in the Fellowship Hall! The popular taco-in-a-bag fundraiser is returning, and for a donation of \$8, you can enjoy a bagged taco, a drink, and a dessert square. Funds raised will support youth attending events like the IMPACT Youth Gathering in 2020, and the National Youth Gathering in 2021.

SOUP SIGN-UP: If you are someone who loves to make soup for the cold winter months, consider making an extra pot for one of our 5:30 pm Advent suppers. The sign-up sheet is located on the Fellowship bulletin board in the Narthex.



OUR VOTERS' MEETING will be held after the Taco-in-a-bag fundraiser on Sunday, December 1st. We hope that you will be with us, as we look to the work we do together under God's grace and through the gifts He first provides to us.

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!

WE ARE ONCE AGAIN IN FLU SEASON, and we encourage you to get your flu shot. We also want to practice good health and hygiene habits. For some, there may be a need to refrain from shaking hands. Please respect that desire, even as we seek to be open to one another as the family we are in Christ. We do remind you that we do have hand sanitizers in the narthex. The Bible does *not* say, "cleanliness is next to godliness", but it is good practice to have good hygiene habits!

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