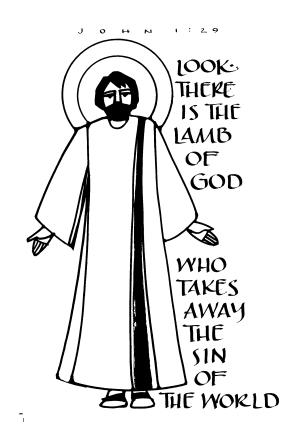
# Foothills Lutheran Church

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# Second Sunday after the Epiphany January 19, 2020

Education Hour:	9:00 am
Morning Worship with Communion: (1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> )	10:15 am
Wednesday Evening Worship:	

A Prayer Upon Entering: Jesus, our Leader, You call us to come and see. Inspire us to tell others to come and see You. Lead us to the places where You have made Yourself known. And teach us to show others the ways in which You have revealed Yourself to us.

O Lamb of God, may we follow You always.

#### **OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

ORDER OF SERVICE:	Divine Service 1, p. 151
HYMNS:	398; 390; 818; 531; 782; 533; 399
FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 49:1-7	p. 774
EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9	p. 1210
GOSPEL LESSON: John 1:29-42a	p. 1128
SERMON:	

**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.



**THE FLOWERS** which beautify our altar today are given to the glory of God by Bill, Erika and Monica Schultz in loving memory of Kristeena Schultz.

**VOTER'S MEETING:** Our next voter's meeting is on **January 26**<sup>th</sup> following a light lunch after service. Please mark it on your calendars and plan to attend.

#### LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of:	Attendance	Wednesday/Communion	<b>Education Hour</b>
January 12	138	4/4	49



**SOMETHING NEW!** Our Board Of Stewardship, along with our Elders, are looking at ways we can help keep our members informed of the financial needs we face as a congregation. We are hoping that the little chart below (which we may modify a bit) will be beneficial to you and help us keep the needs of our parish before you. God has blessed us richly, in ways we don't always realize or remember, but He blesses us that we may also be a blessing. As He provides for us, we can do great things. May He lead you to the joy of *first-fruit giving*, as we regularly and faithfully set aside our gifts to Him from His gifts to us.

Our Stewardship of God's Gifts		
Weekly Offering Needs	\$8,173.08	Our Budget Goal
Offerings Received Last Week	\$3380.00	\$425,000
Total Offerings Received to Date	\$12,571.00	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$16,346.15	-\$3,775.16

**NON-BUDGET AND MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS**: Plate Offerings 6.00; Visitor Offering 260.00; Sunday School 11.50; Organ Fund 250.00; Initial (Offering Envelopes) 14.00

### SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

Narthex Greeters	
Sanctuary Greeters	Merv & Kareen Borgeson; Brian & Barb Vincent
Organist	
	Jaxson Stene
Coffee Team	Heather Sommers; Warren Kee; Merv & Kareen Borgeson
Counter	Gary Ring

### IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

*For Our Missions:* Please pray that the report cards being sent home with our preschool students will be a positive way to initiate dialogue between home and preschool.

Family Focus:

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** As we gathered today, we studied "A Loving Law." Months into their wilderness wanderings, the Israelites arrive in the wilderness of Sinai. God comes to the mountain in clouds and thunder—fire and smoke—as He establishes His covenant with His people through Moses, His chosen intermediary. There on the mountain, God gives Moses His Ten Commandments. Discuss why the Ten Commandments are still important in our lives today.

CHRISTMAS TREE: If you are discarding an artificial Christmas tree about 3 or 4 feet tall, please consider donating it to the preschool. Our Christmas tree is now completely worn out. The children have decorated and undecorated it many times over the years. It is a great tool to encourage fine motor skills and gives opportunity for staff to talk about the significance of some of the unbreakable ornaments that point to our Saviour's birth.

**FOUND:** A ring has been turned into the office. If you believe it to be yours contact one of the staff members and it will be returned to you.

**LIFELIGHT SCHEDULE CHANGE:** Please note the Tuesday morning LifeLight Bible Study will commence **February 4**<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Eldon and Marian Ohlinger will be leading another 9-week in-depth LifeLight Bible Study on Luke, Part 2.

This Week at Foothills		
Monday:	9:30 am	Professional Development
Wednesday:	9:30 am	Calgary Circuit Meeting - Airdrie
	1:00 pm	Ladies Bible Study @ Byers
	6:30 pm	Worship
	7:30 pm	Choir
Thursday:	9:30 am	Moms & Tots
	7:00 pm	LifeLight @ Duholke's
	7:00 pm	Front to Back @ Bode's
Friday:	7:00 pm	Cup Challenge Youth Event
Sunday:	9:00 am	Education Hour /LBT-C presentation with the Kuhns
	10:15 am	Worship
	12:00 pm	Voters' Meeting
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THE LUTHERAN HOUR: (Jan 26<sup>th</sup>) "Call it a Comeback" (Genesis 41). Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. New Series – "In Christ, God is writing a comeback story for you. But we don't call it a comeback if it's the same old you that's been here for years. You call it a comeback because life in Jesus means the death of the old you, and through faith in Jesus the real you can truly live." Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM at 8:00 am Sunday mornings. Streaming audio and pod-casts at <a href="https://www.lutheranhour.ca">www.lutheranhour.ca</a>.

*CUP CHALL/ENGE YOUTH EVENT:* January  $24^{th}$  we'll be playing some wacky games at the church from 7-10 pm. Invite a friend.

## 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.

MISSION PRAYERS: This week, we remember Rev. Edmundo Retana Jimenéz of the Iglesia Luterana Sínodo de Nicaragua (Lutheran Church Synod of Nicaragua). Pastor Retana serves as a missionary in Cartago, Costa Rica.

*Prayer:* Heavenly Father, since Your Son has saved the world through his holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death and sent forth His forth His Church to proclaim the Good news of this salvation to the ends of the earth, we pray that you would sustain Rev. Edmundo Retana Jimenéz in Cartago, Costa Rica by Your Spirit and bless his labours for the sake of the Gospel; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

COME MEET WITH THE KUHNS! Pastor Mike and Kara Kuhn and family will be with us on Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, to speak about their work with Lutheran Bible Translators—Canada. The major presentation will be during the Bible Study hour (9:15 am) that morning. With the Voters' meeting there will be limited time after service and during lunch. We hope that you will be with us, as we greet old friends; share in the work of our missionaries and encourage them in the work they do to share the Gospel in other languages and other lands.

THERE ARE MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE—areas in which we need your help as we serve one another. Ushering is one way, and we are thankful that Barb Vincent has offered to serve as usher coordinator. Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board by Deaconess Miriam's office. You can contact Barb at 403-590-7975; 403-801-6043; <a href="mailto:barbaraann@shaw.ca">barbaraann@shaw.ca</a>

We also can benefit from more people to help with the work of the Altar Guild. This involves the set-up and clean-up of Holy Communion, although we also benefit from those who have a knack for beautifying God's House. Sharon Kahut serves as flower coordinator, and Brenda Bode has responsibility for the Altar Guild. There are always other needs, too! Do you see a need? Help fill that need!



**THE ANNUAL SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER**, hosted by the youth, will be on February 25<sup>th</sup>, and pancakes will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 pm. Donations to the youth group will be gratefully accepted. Youth group fundraising efforts help subsidize the cost of attending events like the 2020 IMPACT Gathering and the 2021 Lutheran Church-Canada National Youth Gathering.

**Youth**, come at 4pm, or as early as possible, to help set up and cook. You'll get to eat dinner, and help clean up, too!

**WE ARE BLESSED BY THE MANY PEOPLE** who help provide sandwiches and sweets for our funeral lunches. We sometimes forget that this is a wonderful way that we can show Christian love and concern for our members and their families. That is true, even if we don't always remember the person, or even know them. We reach out to others in need, to show the love of Jesus in our actions. Thank you for this service. A special thanks to Cheryl Lemke for her service in co-ordinating these lunches.

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.



**CONCORDIA LUTHERAN SEMINARY, EDMONTON IS OFFERING A FREE** "QUEST COURSE" on the Lutheran Liturgy and how and why we worship as we do. The course is offered Tuesday evenings from 7:00-9:00 p.m. on January 28, February 4, 11, and 18, 2020.

January 28: First things: What is the Liturgy? And Preparing to Enter God's Presence

This week we will look at the basics of liturgy and the first part of the Divine Service: the Service of Preparation which includes the Invocation as well as Confession and

Absolution.

February 4: The Service of the Word part 1: Preparing to Hear from God.

This week we will look at the first part of the Service of the Word. This will focus on the dialogue between us and God as we enter into His presence and bring our first prayers to

God.

February 11: The Service of the Word part 2: God Speaks to Us and We Respond

This week we look at the climax of the Service of the Word, namely God's speaking to us in the Scripture readings and sermon, as well as then how we respond to God's Word in prayer and with our offerings.

February 18: The Service of the Sacrament: God Feeds Us and Sends Us Forth

This week we will look at the liturgy of Holy Communion as well as the benediction.

You can join on campus at 7040 Ada Boulevard NW, Edmonton AB, or online from anywhere as Dr. John Hellwege leads this course on Lutheran liturgy. A free-will donation is welcome for this no charge course. To register - contact Kathy Budgell: kbudgell@concordiasem.ab.ca or 780-474-1468 ext 225.

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