

# Foothills Lutheran Church

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



P S A L M 72:6

*Third Sunday after the Epiphany*

*January 26, 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: ..... 6:30 pm

**A Prayer Upon Entering:** O leading Lord, help us to live as James and John did, immediately leaving everything behind to follow You. Stir us to respond quickly to Your call to serve. Fill us with eager readiness to do Your will. And instil in us a longing to be close to You always.

*O Calling Christ, make us ready, willing, and able to live as Your disciples.*

***OUR WORSHIP TODAY***

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** ..... Confession and Absolution, p. 151  
..... Service of Prayer and Preaching, p. 260  
**HYMNS:**..... 825; The Power Of The Cross; 856; This Is The Gospel of Christ; 649  
**CHOIR:**..... *He Is the Rock*  
**FIRST LESSON:** Isaiah 9:1-4.....p. 729  
**EPISTLE LESSON:** 1 Corinthians 1:10-18.....p. 1210  
**GOSPEL LESSON:** Matthew 4:12-25 .....p. 1028  
**SERMON:** The Ultimate Team, for the Ultimate Team Sport - 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

**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 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.



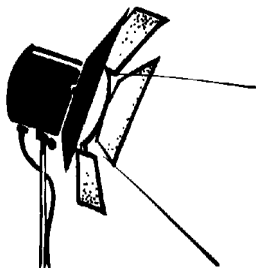
**THE FLOWERS** which beautify our altar today are given to the glory of God by Bill, Erika and Monica Schultz in loving memory of Kristeena Schultz.

**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.

**LAST WEEK AT FLC**

<b>Week of:</b>	<b>Attendance/ Communion</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Education Hour</b>
January 19	183/144	12	59

**LWMLC FOOTHILLS SOCIETY MEETING TOMORROW:** Noon: Bring your own lunch and enjoy the fellowship. 12:30 – 1:30: Opening Devotion, followed by Bible Study; 1:30 – 2:30: Business Meeting. All ladies are welcome!



**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	<b>Our Budget Goal</b>
Offerings Received Last Week	\$7,779.00	
Total Offerings Received to Date	\$20,707.00	<b>+/- YTD</b>
<b>Total Offerings Needed to Date</b>	\$24,519.23	

**NON-BUDGET AND MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS:** Plate Offerings 24.25; Visitor Offering 30.00; Sunday School 7.00; Mission of the Month 32.00; Facility Rent 600.00; Parking Revenue 3400.00; Fellowship 300.00; Initial (Offering Envelopes) 40.00

**SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:**

Narthex Greeters ..... Tim & Tracy Roth; Anne Marie Kothari; Rick Bennetts  
 Sanctuary Greeters ..... Loleta Ziprick; Christine Heumann; Carol & Shirley Berdahl  
 Organist..... Miriam Winstanley  
 Choir..... *He Is The Rock*  
 Acolyte..... Kaylie Hennig  
 Lector ..... Jan Geggie  
 Coffee Team..... Brenda Bode; Heather Sommers  
 Counters ..... Alan Pentney; Goodluck Nwaeronu

**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.

**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

**In Hospital:**

**Homebound:**

**For Special Intercession:**

**For Our Missions:** Thank God for the student who joined our class this past week. Please pray that he feels welcome and cared for.

**Family Focus:**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** “The Land at Last” was the title for today’s lesson. For forty years, the Israelites wandered on sandals that didn’t wear out and ate daily doses of manna. Following Moses’ death, Joshua prepares to lead a new generation into the Promised Land. This time, the floodwaters of the Jordan River stand in the way; but, hearkening back to the Red Sea crossing, the people pass through on dry land as they gather twelve stones for a memorial to God’s faithful care for His people. As a family, discuss how God leads us today.

**This Week at Foothills**

<b>Today:</b>		<b>Voter’s Meeting</b>
<b>Monday:</b>	12:00 pm	LWML
<b>Tuesday:</b>	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study @ Deaconess Miriam’s
<b>Wednesday:</b>	9:30 am	Calgary Circuit Meeting – Airdrie
	1:00 pm	Ladies Bible Study @ Byers
	1:30 pm	Silver Saints
	6:30 pm	Worship/Communion
	7:30 pm	Choir
<b>Thursday:</b>	7:00 pm	LifeLight @ Duholke’s
	7:00 pm	Front to Back @ Bode’s
<b>Friday:</b>		No Preschool
<b>Sunday:</b>	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Worship
	12:00 pm	Faith @ Home

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR:** (Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>) “**Gold Without Glitter**” (**Genesis 42**) Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Without the fire of the refiner’s forge, there can be no glittering gold. And so it is with us. You are more precious to God than gold. But, like gold, you and I need refining. Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM at 8:00 am Sunday mornings. Streaming audio and pod-casts at [www.lutheranhour.ca](http://www.lutheranhour.ca).

**PLEASE CHECK AND EMPTY YOUR MAILBOX**, as tax receipts for 2019 have been issued. Help us save postage costs by picking up items that otherwise have to be mailed. And, if you don’t have a mailbox, please let the office know!



**SILVER SAINTS** invite you to join them on Wednesday, January 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 to hear guest speaker, Art Hanger, talk about what he experienced as a Member of Parliament.

***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. Dr. David Somers** of Lutheran Church–Canada. Dr. Somers serves as Missionary at Large for Lutheran Church–Canada’s French ministries in the province of Quebec.

**Prayer:** Heavenly Father, as Your Son sent forth His Church to make disciples in all nations, we lift up before You Rev. Dr. David Somers in Montreal, Quebec, asking You to sustain him by Your Spirit and bless his labours for the sake of the Gospel; Lord in Your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

**WE WELCOME PASTOR MIKE AND KARA KUHN** and family, who have joined us today to share their mission work with Lutheran Bible Translators—Canada. We are glad to have you here and pray that God will continue to bless your work. May He, who sent His Son for us, bless every effort to bring the good news of that Saviour to all the world.



**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!

**AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR**, Pastor Bode urged us in a sermon to pray regularly, faithfully and fervently for God’s church in the world; for our pastors and all the pastors and deacons of the Church; for faithfulness to the Word and that we speak boldly the truth of the Christ, crucified and risen again. We need to pray for the leaders and teachers in this congregation. Pray for faithfulness among our members. Pray for our children and youth and their growth in the Lord. Pray for the financial needs of our congregation. Pray for those who do not know the blessings of forgiveness and life in Jesus Christ. Pray to the Lord of all, who promises to hear and answer His people.

As we look to the needs of our church and the world, prayer is one of the greatest gifts we have. God calls us to pray, and promises to answer. Let us approach the throne of grace with confidence, that we might find His help in time of need!

**HOSPITAL VISITOR TRAINING COURSE:** Are you interested in becoming a hospital or care facility visitor? Join in on Saturday, February 8, 2020 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Basement 66-7th St. NE. Bring a bag lunch. Sponsored by Lutheran Hospital Ministries-Southern Alberta. There is no fee. Contact Pastor Mark Lobitz at [mclobitz@gmail.com](mailto:mclobitz@gmail.com) or 403-637-2650.

**OUR VOTERS’ MEETING** to adopt the budget for 2020 will be held after a light lunch today. We hope that you will join us as we look to the work that God leads us to do under His grace.



**OUR MEN'S BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY** will meet on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, and we will look at another great hero of the faith from the Old Testament. 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.

**KIDS BIBLE CLUB** also meets Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup> from 9:30 – 11:30. Children age 4-10 are invited to participate in music, a Bible lesson, crafts and games. This year's theme is God's Good Gifts: From Life to Eternal Life. Contact Deaconess Miriam for more information or to register your child!



**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.

- Jan 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.
- Feb 04: 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.
- Feb 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.
- Feb 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.

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