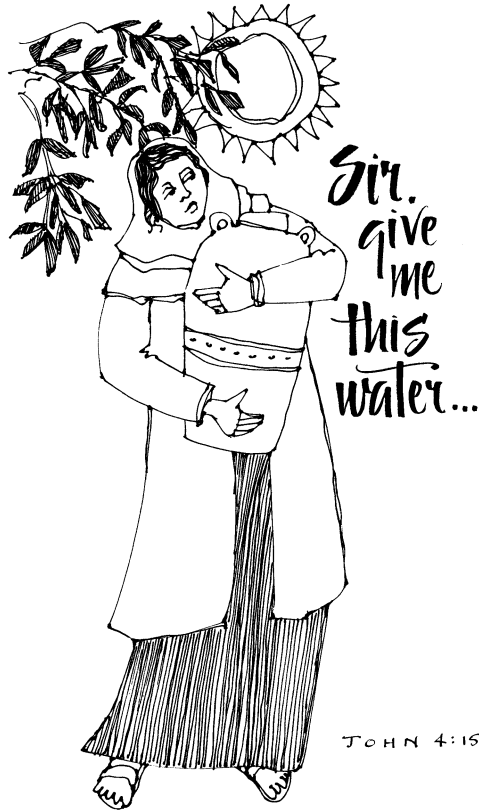


# Foothills Lutheran Church

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



*Third Sunday in Lent*

*March 15, 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:** Christ, our Healer, You restored sight to a man born blind. Now help us to see You at work in our lives. Remove the blinders of sin and evil. Take away all that obstructs our view of You. And clear our vision to see the glory that awaits us in heaven.

*O guiding Lord, lead us into the bright light of Your love.*

### **OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** ..... As projected

**HYMNS:** ..... 10,000 Reasons; My Saviour My God; 423; Lord Have Mercy; 637; 543; 918

**CHOIR:**.....Behold The Lamb

**FIRST LESSON:** Genesis 17:1-7.....p. 75

**EPISTLE LESSON:** Romans 5:1-8 .....p. 1198

**GOSPEL LESSON:** John 4:5-26 (27-30, 39-42) .....p. 1131

**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.

**SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING MARCH 22:** Please join us for a brief meeting following our service on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, to discuss a potential distribution of funds. We appreciate your involvement and input.

**LAST WEEK AT FLC**

<b>Week of:</b>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>Wednesday/ Communion</b>	<b>Education Hour</b>
March 8	147	50/49	39



**WE CONTINUE OUR LENTEN JOURNEY** as we go in spirit to the cross with our Saviour, remembering the cost of our salvation and the love and grace of God. This year we will be looking at **People in His Passion**. The real man of power and influence in the Sannhedrin, Annas will talk about his doubts in Jesus as Lord We hope you will join us for this time of contemplation and repentance. Soup supper begins at 5:30 pm. There is a sign-up sheet on the Fellowship bulletin board in the Narthex to help with these suppers.

<b>Our Stewardship of God's Gifts</b>		
Weekly Offering Needs	\$8,173.08	<b>Our Budget Goal</b> \$425,000
Offerings Received Last Week	\$7,143.00	
Total Offerings Received to Date	\$76,821.70	<b>+/- YTD</b>
<b>Total Offerings Needed to Date</b>	<b>\$73,557.69</b>	<b>-\$4,909.07</b>

**NON-BUDGET AND MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS:** Plate Offerings 62.50; Visitor Offering 177.00; Sunday School 12.00; Lenten Services 415.00; CLWR 50.00; Concordia Seminary 50.00; Memorial Gifts 20.00; Youth 200.00; Stampede Breakfast 200.00; Organ Fund 50.00.

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

Narthex Greeters ..... Brian & Barb Vincent; Tim & Tracy Roth  
 Sanctuary Greeters ..... Goodluck & Heather Nwaeronu; Christine Heumann; Elke Bittmann  
 Acolyte ..... Jaxson Stene  
 Lector ..... Carl Berdahl  
 Coffee Team..... Mark Kihn; Alice Churney, Ron & Diane Voss; Liane Voss Roper;  
 .....Kim Harvey; Art Hanger  
 Counters ..... Goodluck Nwaeronu; Ralf Hinterleitner

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** In our Christian education time this week, we studied the account of Daniel in "A Trap and a Release." Daniel's promotion to a high leadership role in Babylon causes political jealousy among other leaders. King Darius decrees that everyone must worship only him, but Daniel remains faithful to the one true God, praying three times daily. The king condemns Daniel to the lions' den, but God's angel shuts the lions' mouths so Daniel remains unharmed. Discuss how God protects His people from danger today.

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR:** Hear the 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). "A special devotion is available online from Lutheran Hour Ministries each day during Lent at [www.lhm.org/lent](http://www.lhm.org/lent)

**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

**In Hospital:**

**Homebound:**

**For Special Intercession:**

**For Our Missions:** Please pray that the bedtime prayer books our preschool students made will be used and be a blessing in their homes.

**Family Focus:**

**This Week at Foothills**

<b>Monday:</b>	7:00 pm	Lenten Leaders Study
<b>Tuesday:</b>	10:00 am	LifeLight
<b>Wednesday:</b>	1:00 pm	Ladies Bible Study @ Byers'
	5:30 pm	Soup Supper
	6:30 pm	Lenten Worship
	7:30 pm	Choir
<b>Thursday:</b>	9:30 am	Moms & Tots
	7:00 pm	Front to Back @ Bodes'
<b>Sunday:</b>	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Worship
	12:00 pm	Faith @ Home
	<b>12:00 pm</b>	<b>Special Voters Meeting</b>



**WE WILL HOST A SEDER SUPPER** on Maundy Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. This special evening will help us understand the background and significance of the Passover Celebration, during which our Saviour gave us the blessed Sacrament of the Altar. It includes dinner, as well as our Maundy Thursday worship. This is a wonderful, unique experience, and we believe you will find it a real blessing, both for your understanding of Scripture, but also as a special time of fellowship together as God's people. To help in our planning, and to cover the cost of the dinner, we are selling tickets, available through the church office. The cost is \$6.00/person, with a maximum cost of \$20.00/family. We also need help to prepare the meal, and with several items, such as green salads (nothing dairy) and pies. Sign up lists are posted on the fellowship bulletin board. We hope you will join us for this special Lenten observance. **Confirmands:** This is a required part of confirmation instruction, replacing the class that week.

**THANK YOU** to Faith Dueck and Eden Knudtson for their musical contribution to today's service. We appreciate your service to God and His people!



**GOD'S PROMISES FOR ME!** Our summer Vacation Bible School will run July 13-17 and July 20-24 this year. Our members and their friends and family are invited to register first. Printed registration forms are available on the welcome desk, or from Deaconess Miriam. Online registration will be available in early March, when general registration is open. Thank you to those who have already expressed their interest in

volunteering. Recruitment has begun, and if you are interested in teaching, helping, crafts, or games, please speak with Deaconess Miriam or Pastor Eric.

**MISSION PRAYERS:** Pastor Dong Joo Kim serves as a chaplain to both first responders in Regina and Moose Jaw and to the "street involved" community of Regina. He says his "congregation" is the 100 or so "tough guys" on the street. **Prayer:** Heavenly Father, since Your Son has saved the world through His holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death and sent forth His Church to proclaim the Good news of this salvation to the ends of the earth, we pray that you would sustain Rev. Dong-Joo Kim in Regina, SK & Moose Jaw, SK, by His Spirit and bless his labours for the sake of the Gospel, that Christ's Kingdom might be extended further into the world; let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

### **MISSION OF THE MONTH: STAMPEDE BREAKFAST**

Our Stampede breakfast gives us an opportunity to reach out to the community and offer them an opportunity to worship with us. The decision was made to remove this as a budget item, yet we do want to give our members an opportunity to support this work. With your gifts, we can continue this tradition. May God bless our efforts, as we share together in this time of fellowship and outreach.

**FOOTHILLS SLO-PITCH TEAM:** Do you want to play some Slo-Pitch? Do you want to learn how to play Slo-Pitch? If there's enough interest we'd like to join a NW Calgary church league. It would be 16 weeks and there would be a registration fee split amongst the members. If you're interested sign up out of Pastor Eric's office or feel free to ask him for more info. It's going to be a lot of fun, would love to get a team together!

**EASTER IS A GREAT TIME TO INVITE OTHERS** to come and see the wonders of God's love and grace. Invite a friend to join you, as we remember all that our Saviour has done for us and thank God for the victory we have through Jesus Christ. Invite them to breakfast, too! Let us share this great and glorious news of the Living Lord with our friends and family.



**HOCKEY VIEWING PARTY:** On April 11, at a time to be announced, join the youth in the fellowship hall to watch playoff hockey! We'll stream the game and have a concession available as a fundraiser. Bring a friend! Pastor Eric will be leading devotions during the intermissions.



**PHONE DIRECTORY OF FLC MEMBERS & FRIENDS:** We are in the throes of updating our phone directory and before going to print we want to ensure we have your correct information. Pages are available on the table in the narthex between Pastor Eric's and Deaconess Miriam's office doors. Please review and make any changes/amendments as soon as possible.

**PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR FALL:** Foothills Lutheran Christian Preschool is a licensed, non-profit, half-day program for 2 ½, 3, and 4 year-olds that facilitates the development of the whole child in a caring Christian environment. We are a long-standing program with an excellent child care history. 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, knowledgeable staff. Phone 403-284-1360 or email at [school@foothillslutheran.com](mailto:school@foothillslutheran.com) to schedule a time to see our space and talk with our teacher. She would be happy to speak with you. Learn more at [www.preschool.foothillslutheran.com](http://www.preschool.foothillslutheran.com).

***FROM PASTOR BODE'S LETTER ON THE COVID-19 CONCERNS:***

It is wise to practice good hygiene; to be careful that we do not necessarily expose ourselves to viruses or pass viruses ourselves. We do everything we can to care for our neighbour and ourselves, with the help and strength of God.

I truly hope and pray that we will not get to the point where we feel we need to stay away from each other, at least in worship. We will encourage a careful approach to things, so that all God's children can feel comfortable. For the sharing of the peace, we will acknowledge one another, but will not feel compelled to shake hands—and won't be offended if someone doesn't shake our hand. For those who do feel they cannot come, we will do our best to keep the sermons posted, either in video or in print. We will post the readings for the week. We will all do everything we can to practice good hygiene, using hand sanitizer and being mindful of our own symptoms.

Finally, let us pray—pray for God's mercy as we face this time. Let us pray for a faith that trusts Him, and which will not be overwhelmed by fear.



***UNCLAIMED KITCHEN ITEMS:*** There are a number of storage containers and various serving items that have been on the kitchen counter for some time. Please take a moment to claim them if they belong to you.

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**Office Administrator:** Carol Kehler  
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**Pastor Emeritus:** Eldon Ohlinger