

# Foothills Lutheran Church

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



*Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost*

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**A Prayer Upon Entering:** We thank you, Lord, for putting your confidence in your apostle Peter to begin your Church here on earth. And we thank you, too, for putting your confidence in us to continue the work of spreading the Gospel. Give us strength and courage in this challenging endeavour, and help those who come after us to keep this Church alive by your grace.

*O Jesus Christ, the Head of the Church, lead us on.*

### **OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** ..... Confession and Absolution, p. 151

..... Service of Prayer and Preaching, p. 260

**HYMNS:** ..... Revelation Song; 644, 646; Better Is One Day

**FIRST LESSON:** ..... Isaiah 51:1-6

**EPISTLE LESSON:** ..... Romans 11:33-12:8

**GOSPEL LESSON:** ..... Matthew 16:13-20

**SERMON:** *Let The Church Roll On!* (Matthew 16:18)

**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 WILL CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION 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 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.

### **IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

***In Hospital:***

***Homebound:***

***For Special Intercession:***

***Family Focus:***



**TO BE UNITED IN MARRIAGE HERE TODAY** are Dallas Kleinsasser and Karen Langill. We pray that God would bless this couple with His love and grace, as they begin their life together as husband and wife.

### Our Stewardship of God's Gifts

Weekly Offering Needs	\$8,173.08	<b>Our Budget Goal</b> \$425,000.00
Offerings Received Last Week	\$12,560.00	
Total Offerings Received to Date	\$255,704.70	+/- <b>YTD</b>
<b>Total Offerings Needed to Date</b>	\$269,711.54	-\$14,006.84

**NON-BUDGET AND MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS:** 20.00 Mustard Seed

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR: (August 23) "A Wrong Comparison"** Guest Speaker: Dr. Wallace Schulz. How do you compare to your next-door neighbor, your brother-in-law, or the person you were five years ago? Comparing ourselves against God's requirements can prompt us to turn in repentant faith to Jesus, the Savior beyond compare. It's "Archives August". (Luke 18:9-14) Hear the inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM at 8:00 am Sunday mornings. Streaming audio and podcasts at [www.lutheranhour.ca](http://www.lutheranhour.ca)

### THIS WEEK AT FOOTHILLS

<b>Today</b>	3:30 pm	Kleinsasser/Langill Wedding
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship/Communion (in-person and streamed at Facebook.com\foothillslutheran)
<b>Thursday</b>	7:00 pm	Front to Back @ Bodes'
<b>Sunday</b>	10:15 am	Morning Worship/Communion (in-person and streamed at Facebook.com\foothillslutheran)

**LOOKING AHEAD:** We are going to hold our Men's Bible Study on Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. We are not able to provide breakfast, but you're invited to bring a brown bag breakfast or to stop at Timmies on your way to the church. We will still be practicing all physical distancing protocols, including the public rules regarding masks. Please bring your own bible, too!

### MISSION OF THE MONTH – MUSTARD SEED

It is always a strange paradox: there are so many, who have so much, but there are also those who do not even have a warm and dry place to sleep. Through the work of the Mustard Seed, the hungry are fed and the homeless are given shelter. There is also vocational training, to help people make a new start. Your gift to this Mission of the Month reaches out, as Jesus would have us do, to the least of these, my brothers. (Matt. 25:40)



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES:** The summer months are an excellent time to stock up on some items for your shoebox(es). T-shirts, balls, skipping ropes and small toys are all available and school supplies are often on sale in August. Boxes will be available in the fall.

**WE'VE ADDED A PLEXIGLASS SHIELD** in front of the pulpit. This allows the pastors to preach without a mask, although they will be wearing masks for the rest of the service. We hope this will help people hear the sermon, especially those joining us online.

**THANK YOU:** “We have been incredibly fortunate to have such an amazing group of people dedicate their time to our clients and the community. From all of us at Calgary Meals on Wheels, thank you for your kind contributions and, most of all, the precious gift of your time. 34 years is an incredible achievement!”



**VIRTUAL PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN:** With FLC Preschool not re-opening in September, Betty Ann Chandler will be offering a virtual, interactive, one-to-one preschool and kindergarten opportunity at home. Christian content and tutoring for grade 1 is available on request. Find out more at <https://mrschandlerteaches.wixsite.com/abcs>. The website is now up. You can also email her at [mrs.chandler.teaches@gmail.com](mailto:mrs.chandler.teaches@gmail.com) or phone her at home if there is someone you know that may be interested in virtual education for the fall.

**A CONFIRMATION MEETING** for new and returning students and their parents will be held Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Letters were mailed to the families we know should be enrolled. If you did not receive a letter or an email, or think your child should be in Confirmation, please speak to the pastor.

**AN UPDATE ON OUR IN-PERSON WORSHIP:** We're ready to invite you back! Here's what's happening in our new 'normal':

- Our service at 10:15 am will be both an in-person service, as well as live-streamed. We do not require congregants to register, but we will be observing physical distancing protocols. In order to make the best use of our available space, please be aware that you may be seated in different place than normal.
- All members will sign in at the Reception station.
- Ushers will seat members.
- **In accordance with the new city bylaw, masks will be required for all worshippers.**
- We hope to have a cantor or small cohort of cantors singing our hymns and songs. The hymns will still be projected, but people will be asked not to sing.

We will not stream the distribution of Holy Communion. This will be held as part of the in-person services according to our regular Communion schedule. Private / individual communion appointments will still be available as requested.

We are eager to have members back together. God calls us to be a *communion of saints*. Yet we remind you that we are called to care for one another body and soul. You should not attend if you have returned from travel outside Canada within the last 14 days; if you have had close contact with or cared for someone diagnosed with COVID-19 within the last 14 days; if you have been in close contact with anyone who has travelled outside Canada within the last 14 days; or if you have experienced any cold or flu-like symptoms in the last 14 days (to include fever, cough, sore throat, respiratory illness, difficulty breathing) If the answer is “yes” to any of the questions, access to worship cannot be granted at this time.

We continue to pray that God, in His grace, would allow us to return to the joy of worship together and fellowship together as His people, through Jesus Christ!



**FACE MASKS ARE BECOMING NECESSARY IN MANY PLACES.** Amy Chandler has designed a face mask for Lutheran worship - and Sunday school, meetings, in-person calls, Winkels - which features a Luther rose. They can be ordered online at [https://www.zazzle.ca/aechandler\\*](https://www.zazzle.ca/aechandler*). You can share this link with others, too!



Growing  
**FAITH**  
at home

**23 August 2020**

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jesus is God's son.

Caring Conversations

Share your highs and lows of the day, or respond to the following questions:

1

Share about a time when you had a different view from someone else.

2

What are some of the different ideas people have about Jesus? Who do you say Jesus is?



Devotions



Daily Bible Readings

S	Matthew 16:13-20	Peter's confession of Christ
M	Exodus 1:8-2:10	Birth of Moses
T	John 11:17-27	Martha's confession of Christ
W	Matthew 27:50-54	The confession of soldiers
T	Acts 9:20-31	Saul's confession of Christ
F	Romans 12:1-8	A living sacrifice
S	Psalms 138	The Lord will vindicate me
S	Matthew 16:21-28	Take up your cross and follow

Discuss the bible reading. What word or phrase was important to you as you read these verses?

Rituals and Traditions



PRAYER

Lord Jesus, help us to show that we believe you are God's Son through what we think, say and do today. Amen.

BLESSING

May the Lord make you strong and brave to speak up for him.

## Sundays after Pentecost

**GREEN** is a sign of life and nature and as such represents growth, life and hope.

## Creative Response

In Romans 12:1 Paul encourages Christians to offer their whole bodies in service to God.

As part of your home devotions this week, draw a large outline of a body (or trace around someone).

Talk about how we can use different parts of our bodies to serve God and confess our faith in Jesus.

Write your ideas onto the paper and hang your body drawing up somewhere to use it as a focal point for action and prayer during the week.

## mealtime prayer

Son of God, come be our guest, our thanks to receive and these gifts to bless. Amen.

verse for the week

Then Jesus asked them, "But who do you say I am?" Simon Peter spoke up, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

MATTHEW 16:16-18

## Service



Romans 12:6-8 lists a number of different gifts that God gives to his people: telling others the gospel and Bible stories, helping others, teaching, encouraging, sharing or giving, leading, and showing kindness to others.

Name the gifts you see at work in different members of your family. Talk about ways you can use these gifts to serve God in your church, family and community.

