

# Foothills Lutheran Church

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



## *The Transfiguration of Our Lord* *February 14, 2021*

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**A Prayer Upon Entering:** Dazzling light streams from Your clothes, O Christ. A glorious glow appears upon Your face. To this day, we, like Your disciples, are bathed in the brightness of Your holy presence in this world. May we always seek to live within Your light.

*Son of God and Daylight's Splendor, chase away the darkness in our lives.*

**OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

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

**HYMNS:** ..... Holy Is The Lord; You Are My Lord; God Of Wonders;  
..... One Thing Remains

**FIRST LESSON:** ..... 2 Kings 2:1-12

**EPISTLE LESSON:** ..... 2 Corinthians 3:12-13; 4:1-6

**GOSPEL LESSON:** ..... Mark 9:2-9

**SERMON:**

**WELCOME** to all members and visitors with us this morning. Jesus told His followers to go and make disciples, and we exist here to carry out that task, by baptizing and teaching the Word of God. We invite you to worship with us again. Please sign our guest book at the back of the church before you leave.

**WE 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 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 we will know how to respond.

**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

***In Hospital:***

***Homebound***

***For Special Intercession:***

***Family Focus:***

**LAST WEEK AT FLC**

<b>Week of:</b>	<b>Attendance/Communion/Online</b>	<b>Wednesday/Online</b>
February 7	34/28/47	8/9

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

Cantors ..... Contemporary Musicians

**OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS**

Weekly Offering Needs	\$8,784.62	<b>Our Budget Goal</b>
Operating Receipts Received Last Week	\$5,875.00	\$456,800.00
Total Operating Receipts Received to Date	\$34,636.00	<b>+/- YTD</b>
<b>Total Offerings Needed to Date</b>	<b>\$52,707.69</b>	<b>-\$18,352.69</b>

**Miscellaneous Offerings:** CLWR 50.00; Concordia Seminary 50.00; Lutheran Hour Ministries 40.00; LWML 1,105.00; Organ Fund 319.30; Youth 100.00; Lenten Services 50.00.

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR: (February 14) "Shines and Saves"** Guest Speaker: Rev. Cody Cooper. Jesus surpasses all expectations as we see Him revealed on the Mount of Transfiguration (Mark 9:2-13). Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM at 8:00 am Sunday morning. Streaming audio and podcasts at [www.lutheranhour.ca](http://www.lutheranhour.ca)

**THIS WEEK AT FOOTHILLS**

<b>Mon</b>		Family Day – Office Closed
<b>Tues</b>	10:00 am	Bible Study – contact Pastor Bode
	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study – contact Deaconess Miriam
<b>Wed</b>	1:15 pm	Ladies Bible Study – contact Deaconess Miriam
	6:30 pm	Ash Wednesday Worship
<b>Fri</b>	7:00 pm	Youth Tobogganing
<b>Sun</b>	10:15 am	Worship/Communion

- *Worship services are in-person and at [Facebook.com/foothillslutheran](https://www.facebook.com/foothillslutheran)*
- *Online registration is accessed at <https://reopen.church/r/aTJSxeNQ>*
- *Bible studies and meetings are via Zoom*

**THE FLOWERS** which beautify our altar this month are given to the glory of God by Robert and Christine Heumann in remembrance of Rick Bennetts.

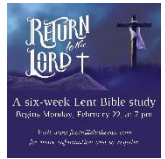
*Thank You* **TO REDUCE THE GLARE** caused by the plexiglass shield in front of the pulpit, we have added what are typically known as *antependium* to the bottom section. These have been made for us in liturgical colours by Brenda Bode and Deaconess Miriam. We thank them for their contribution to the beauty of God's house and to our worship.

## **MISSION OF THE MONTH: LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES**

Lutheran Hour Ministries is a trusted resource in global media that equips and engages a vibrant volunteer base to passionately proclaim the Gospel to more than 125 million people worldwide each week. Through its North American headquarters and ministry centers on six continents, LHM reaches into more than 50 countries, often bringing Christ to places where no other Christian evangelistic organizations are present. LHM's flagship ministry, **The Lutheran Hour®**, airs weekly on more than 1,800 radio stations and the American Forces Network.

**AT OUR VOTERS' MEETING** we adopted the budget for 2021. After much discussion, we arrived at a total budget of \$508,378.00 and the need for offering receipts of \$456,800. While the budget is down from last year, additional income from parking and parsonage rental, as well as preschool tuition is less or not available. We believe God empowers us to do great things for the good of His people and for the sake of the Gospel in the world. May He help us to be faithful stewards, even in these sometimes confusing and difficult times.

**RETURN TO THE LORD: A LENT BIBLE STUDY:** All members and friends of Foothills Lutheran Church are invited to join in a six-week study on Mondays at 7pm during Lent. The study will **begin on February 22 and continue through March 29**. It will be held on Zoom, but will also be recorded and available later through our website. For more information and to register, visit [www.foothillslutheran.com](http://www.foothillslutheran.com). *"Return to the LORD your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love."* (Joel 2:13)



**MISSION PRAYER: Deaconess Candidate Sopean Da** is studying at The Luther Institute Southeast Asia. **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 and to distribute His saving gifts of grace, we pray that You would sustain Deaconess Da by Your Spirit and richly bless her labours for the sake of the Gospel; through

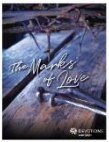
Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

**FOR SALE:** Want to motivate your children to exercise and to burn off energy while inside? Here's a solution. Maxine Abraham has a good used ping pong table for sale. It worked well in that regard for her 3 sons in the '70s and '80s. It comes complete with the accessories. She's asking for \$110 with proceeds going towards the organ fund. She can help with transportation. Ph. 403-274-5696.

**FEBRUARY IS STEWARDSHIP MONTH:** Stewardship is about giving of our time, talents and treasures to God out of thankfulness for all he has done for us. In February we will be focusing on Stewardship and reminding each of us of our duty to give back of our time, talents and treasures. When we examine our lives, we have many blessings to be thankful for and it is out of this thankfulness that we should cheerfully give back to the Lord of our time, talents and treasures.

In February you will be seeing information that is focused on Stewardship and we ask each member to personally examine how you can give back to your Lord. At the end of the month we will ask all members to fill out a Time and Talents questionnaire which will help us to use the talents of our members in the various volunteer opportunities and roles in the congregation.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO RUN AV EQUIPMENT:** We have a need for use of the talents of our members to run audiovisual equipment on Sunday mornings. We are planning on buying some new software and hardware that will improve our delivery of online services. There is a definite need in our congregation for this upgrade to improve the quality of our online services, however, there is no point in buying the equipment if we do not have people to run it. It is not complicated equipment and if you can run a video camera or computer you will be able to run this system. Please contact Dale Dusterhoft at 403 803 8854 if you have any skills in this area.



**LENTEN DEVOTIONS FROM LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES:** *The Marks of Love* explores the life and ministry of Jesus. Here we meet a Saviour who endured life's hardships, suffered our pain, and bore the weight of our sins. Each left its mark on Him as He pressed on to the cross, giving His life for ours, appeasing God's wrath against sin, and rising victorious over sin, death, and the devil. Printed copies are also available on the Welcome Desk.

You can get Lutheran Hour devotions in your email or read online: To subscribe, go to <https://www.lhm.org/newsroom/canada.asp>.

**REGISTER FOR WORSHIP:** While we all look to the day when we won't have to deal with all the COVID protocols, we still do require registration for worship, which at present is limited to 49 people. Registration keeps us from having to turn anyone away and allows us to make the best use of the space that we have available. Online registration is accessed at <https://reopen.church/r/aTJSxeNQ>.

No internet? Call the office by noon on Friday to register for the Sunday service. For Wednesday registration, please call / go online by Tuesday noon. If you need to cancel, you can do this online. If you have any difficulties, please call the office.

**IF YOU ARE AN 80+ SENIOR** who needs help shoveling snow on occasion, please call the church office and we will arrange for some help for you.

**TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2020** are available in your mailbox. We will leave them in the mailboxes for another week and will mail them out by the end of the month. If you would like your receipt mailed sooner, please contact the church office.

**TWICE YEARLY, CONCORDIA LUTHERAN SEMINARY** offers a free course for anyone who is interested. The Winter Quest course will feature LCMS theologian Rev. Dr. Jeff Kloha, Chief Curator at the Bible Museum in Washington D.C., who will cover this important history: From Manuscript to Modern Translations... including a virtual tour of the museum. The course begins Tuesday, March 2, 2021 and runs until March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Full details were in Foot Print, but can also be found on the seminary website. Contact Joshua Timm at [aassist@concordiasem.ab.ca](mailto:aassist@concordiasem.ab.ca) or 780-474-1468 to register and for information on how to connect.

*“Love the Lord, your God” and “love your neighbor as yourself” are the most-repeated passages in the Bible. They have been memorized, copied, recited, translated, and lived out for over 3000 years. But how was that passage—indeed the entire Bible—handed down to us? These sessions will describe the fascinating journey of the Bible, from prophets and apostles to manuscripts and modern translations. Featured will be manuscripts and artifacts from the collections and exhibits of Museum of the Bible in Washington DC.*

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# Growing FAITH at home

14 February 2021

TRANSFIGURATION  
SUNDAY

## Caring Conversations

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

1

What is the tallest hill or mountain you have climbed? What could you see from the top?

2

Read Mark 9:2-9. We hear about an amazing experience that Peter, James and John had one day. How do you think you would have reacted?

3

Where and when have you had a special experience of God's presence? How has that helped you listen to and follow God?

## Devotions



### Daily Bible Readings

<b>S</b>	Mark 9:2-9	The transfiguration of Jesus
<b>M</b>	2 Kings 2:1-12	Elijah is taken into heaven
<b>T</b>	2 Corinthians 4:3-6	Proclaiming Jesus as Lord
<b>W</b>	Matthew 6:1-21	The practice of faith
<b>T</b>	Proverbs 8:32-35	Listen to God
<b>F</b>	Joel 2:1-2, 12-17	Return to the Lord your God
<b>S</b>	Psalm 51:1-17	Have mercy on me, God
<b>S</b>	Mark 1:9-15	The temptation of Jesus

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

## Rituals and Traditions



### PRAYER

Jesus, Son of God, open our ears and our hearts so that we listen to you.  
Amen.

### BLESSING

May God's light shine in your heart so that you know and listen to Jesus.

Listen to him.

## Creative Response

### This Week Lent begins!

Begin your household preparations by observing Shrove Tuesday. The name 'shrove' comes from the practice of being "shriven" – going to church, confessing your sins and being forgiven – before the start of Lent. Shrove Tuesday is also sometimes known as Pancake Tuesday or Fat Tuesday, because households used up their remaining eggs and fats before Lent by making pancakes on this day. Have a pancake breakfast or dinner. As you eat, talk about what Jesus gave up for our sake, and what you might wish to give up for Lent to help you prepare spiritually for Holy Week.

The first day of Lent is called Ash Wednesday. Traditionally this is a day for Christians to remember that we are sinners and that we need a Saviour. Observe Ash Wednesday in your home by marking one another with ashes. Burn some paper and crush it into fine ashes. Then mix the ashes with a small amount of olive oil. Make the sign of the cross on one another's foreheads as you say these words:

**Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return. Turn back to God and believe in Jesus your Saviour.**

### mealtime prayer

*For every cup and every plateful, to you, O God,  
we are grateful. Amen.*

verse for the week

*A voice came  
from the cloud,  
"This is my son,  
and I love him.  
Listen to him!"*

MARK 9:7

## Service



*Read Matthew 6:1-21.*

*Lent focuses on the disciplines of prayer, fasting, and giving money or food to people in need.*

*Make this week "secret service week" in your home or with friends.*

Put your names in a bowl and have each person draw out someone else's name. During the week, perform a secret act of service for that person. Share your ideas about secret acts of service that could be carried out for one another.

