# Foothills Lutheran Church

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# Palm Sunday March 28, 2021

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A Prayer Upon Entering: We raise our hosannas to You, O incoming King. We lift up our voices to say, "Save us!" For though You are humble in appearance, You are mighty to save. And though You are gentle at heart, You possess power from on high. We thank You for entering our lives.

Jesus of Nazareth, we lift our palms and praises up to You.

## **OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

ORDER OF SERVICE:	As projected
<b>HYMNS:</b> Hosanna (Praise Is Rising); 444; All the E	earth Will Sing Your Praises;
FIRST LESSON:	Zechariah 9:9-12
EPISTLE LESSON:	Philippians 2:5-11
GOSPEL LESSON:	John 12:20-43
SERMON: The Road Before Him – John 12:27-33	

**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 MAUNDY THURSDAY 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:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

Family Focus:

### LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of:	Attendance/Communion/Online	Wednesday/Online
March 21	49/43/44	15/13

### SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

Organist	Deaconess Miriam Winstanley
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Cantors	. Trevor and Michelle Heumann; Tim and Sarah Knudtson

### OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS

Weekly Offering Needs	\$8,784.62	Our Budget Goal
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$6,305.00	\$456,800.00
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$75,854.00	+/- YTD
<b>Total Offerings Needed to Date</b>	\$105,415.38	-\$29,561.38

*Miscellaneous Offerings:* Visitor Offering 40.00; Canadian Lutheran World Relief 25.00; LWML 20.00; LAMP 25.00; Organ Fund 195.00.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** In today's lesson we observe Palm Sunday. We see Jesus enter into Jerusalem, welcomed as a king with palm branches and Hosannas. He was the long-expected Messiah who had come to save the world. Jesus came to Jerusalem, knowing that on Good Friday He would give up His life to do just that. How do you welcome your Saviour today?

THIS WEEK AT FOOTHILLS		
Mon	7:00 pm	Lenten Bible Study – contact Pastor Bode
Tues	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study – contact Deaconess Miriam
Wed	1:15 pm	Ladies Bible Study – contact Deaconess Miriam
Thurs	6:30 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship/Communion
Fri	10:15 am	Good Friday Worship
Sun	8:30 & 10:15	Easter Sunday Worship/Communion
Mon		Office Closed

- Worship services are in-person and at Facebook.com\foothillslutheran
- · Online registration is accessed at https://rsvp.church/r/aTJSxeNQ
- · Bible studies and meetings are via Zoom

THE LUTHERAN HOUR "Got You Covered" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. When you're in a pinch and out of options and someone says they've got you covered, it's good news. (Mark 15). Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM at 8:00 am Sunday morning. Streaming audio and podcasts at <a href="https://www.lutheranhour.ca">www.lutheranhour.ca</a>

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** for April – June 2021 are available on the Welcome Desk. Also available is the April/May Foot Print.

### MISSION OF THE MONTH: LAMP

Lutheran Association of Missionaries and Pilots ("LAMP") provides spiritual witness and nurture within remote northern Canadian communities, often accessible only by plane. Various programs bring the Gospel to these areas.



MISSION PRAYER: Deaconess Mariana Santeliz currently serves as a missionary with her husband Pastor Rufino Laynez in the Pinta Jinotepe Carazo, Nicaragua. 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 Santeliz 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 forever. **C: Amen** 



*COCO BROOKS FUNDRAISER:* To help support youth group trips like the 2022 National Youth Gathering in Winnipeg, we will be selling Coco Brooks this spring! Coco Brooks is most well-known for pizza, but they also

have vegan and gluten-free options, as well as desserts, appetizers, sausages, hamburger patties, chicken wings, and more!

Please order here before April 21, and feel free to share the link with your family and friends! <a href="https://fundraising.cocobrooks.com/invite/verify?code=thircares">https://fundraising.cocobrooks.com/invite/verify?code=thircares</a>

Please note that most of the items come frozen/refrigerated and must be picked up from the church promptly on May 7 between 4 and 6:00 pm. There isn't enough space at the church to store a lot of orders, so please be sure make arrangements to pick up your order then. Thank you for your support of Foothills Lutheran Youth!

LIVESTREAM CONNECTION CARD: We live-stream our Sunday and Wednesday services at <a href="www.facebook.com/foothillslutheran">www.facebook.com/foothillslutheran</a> so you can join us online (no Facebook account required!), and the service video will also be posted at <a href="https://vimeo.com/foothillslutheran">https://vimeo.com/foothillslutheran</a> later in the week. If you join us virtually, whether live or later in the week, please fill out our Livestream Connection Card at <a href="https://forms.gle/R235qLEQ7VbBRajE7">https://forms.gle/R235qLEQ7VbBRajE7</a> You can also find this on our website: <a href="www.foothillslutheran.com">www.foothillslutheran.com</a>. This record of fellowship helps us feel we are in touch with you, our members, even when we are apart. You can also use this card to leave a prayer request or request contact from the ministry staff.



**THE JOYOUS CELEBRATION OF EASTER** may be different in these COVID days, but nothing can diminish the true joy that we have in the living hope through the living Lord. Our special services of Easter and Holy Week will be in person and online (see the registration link under "This week at Foothills"):

Palm Sunday (March 28)...... 10:15 am

Maundy Thursday (April 1) ..... 6:30 pm with Communion

Good Friday (April 2) ...... 10:15 am

AN EXTRA GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE: We are willing to provide an extra service for Good Friday, to compensate for the reduced numbers in worship at any service. We are considering a 3:00 pm service—a remembrance at the hour when we are told that Jesus 'gave up His Spirit'. We will offer this service if it will serve the needs of our members. As we are already full for the 10:15 am service, this could be an opportunity for you to still be in the Lord's house, to hear His Word and to pray and thank Him for the great gift of salvation that is ours through the sacrificial death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

This service is now posted on our registration page, and we ask that you help us determine the need for this service by registering as soon as possible on our registration page: <a href="https://rsvp.church/r/aTJSxeNQ">https://rsvp.church/r/aTJSxeNQ</a> . May God continue to bless us through His Word and bless His church through these days when it is hard (and yet thankfully, not impossible!) for us to be together around that Word.



**AFTER A GOOD END TO THE YEAR, OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTSI** has been off to a slow start in this first quarter. As God blesses us, may we continue to be faithful in using His gifts for our needs and to the glory of His name in His church.

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# Caring Conversations

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



Share about a time when you met someone important.



When Jesus entered Jerusalem for the Passover festival, a crowd of people welcomed him with joy. Imagine Jesus was entering your town or suburb today in the same way. How would you respond?



This week is a big week – it's Holy Week. Discuss what that means for you and your family. How will you 'enter in' and journey with Jesus this week?

# Devotions -



# Daily Bible Readings

S	Mark 15:1-39	The passion of Jesus
М	Mark 11:1-11	Jesus enters Jerusalem
Т	Isaiah 50:4-9a	A Servant Song
W	Philippians 2:5-11	The Christ Hymn
Т	John 13:1-17, 31b-35	Jesus washes disciples' feet
F	John 18:1-19:42	The suffering and death of Jesus
F		The suffering and death of Jesus Prayer for deliverance

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

# Rituals and Traditions •



### PRAYER

Lord Jesus, change us. Give us hearts that are humble so that we put others before ourselves. Amen.

# BLESSING

May God give you a humble attitude like that of his Son, and bless you as you serve.

# Lent is a time for humble service of others.

# Creative Response

During this Week, construct a Holy Week display in your home.

Read the Bible verses listed for each day and collect and arrange the associated items.

Sunday Palm or fern fronds (Matthew 21:8-9)

Monday Small bottle of perfume (Mark 14:3-9)

Tuesday Bag of silver coins (Matthew 26:14-15)

Wednesday Bowl of water and towel (John 13:3-17)

Thursday Bread & grapes or cup of wine

(Mark 14:22-25)

Friday Thorns (Matthew 27:27-29); Nails

(Luke 23:32-33); Dice (Mark 15:24);

Wooden cross (Mark 15:21-25)

Saturday Large stone (Mark 15:46)

Add flowers to your display on Easter Sunday in celebration of Jesus' resurrection!

Read from Mark 16:1-8



"Hosannal Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!"



Do you know someone who will spend Easter sunday alone?

Share your resurrection joy by inviting that person to lunch or dinner next Sunday.





# mealtime prayer

Each meal we eat is a reminder of your love for us. Thank you, Godl Amen.