

# Foothills Lutheran Church

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



*The Resurrection of Our Lord*

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**A Prayer Upon Entering:** Your open grave, O Lord, announces to us and to all the world that You are alive and risen from the dead. Release us, we pray, from all the things that close us off from You. And free us to live a new life proclaiming the message of Easter.

*Living Lord, fill us with resurrection joy.*

**OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

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

**HYMNS:** ..... 477; Christ is Risen; 633; Because He Lives. Amen; 482

**FIRST LESSON:**..... Isaiah 25:6-9

**EPISTLE LESSON:** ..... 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

**GOSPEL LESSON:** ..... Mark 16:1-8

**SERMON:** *In Like a Lamb, Out Like a Lion* – Revelation 5:5

**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 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 we will know how to respond.

**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

**Homebound:**

**For Special Intercession:**

**Family Focus:**

**WE EXTEND OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** and the glorious hope of the resurrection to the Poirier and Oberhammer families at the death of Donna Poirier's father, Cliff Oberhammer. His Christian service will be held at Foothills on April 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm. Due to the restrictions of COVID, this is a private service.

Also in our prayers is the Dueck family, as they mourn the passing of Hans' grandmother, Connie Rennie. We pray that God would comfort these families with His everlasting love and comfort.

**LAST WEEK AT FLC**

<b>Week of:</b>	<b>Attendance/Online</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday/ Good Friday</b>
March 28	51/52	Not available at printing

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

Organist..... Deaconess Miriam Winstanley  
 Cantors ..... Contemporary Musicians

**OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS**

Weekly Offering Needs	\$8,784.62	<b>Our Budget Goal</b>
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$4,540.00	\$456,800.00
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$80,394.00	<b>+/- YTD</b>
<b>Total Offerings Needed to Date</b>	<b>\$114,200.00</b>	<b>-\$33,806.00</b>

**Miscellaneous Offerings:** Plate Offering 60.00; Facility Rental 220.00; LAMP 10.00; Organ Fund 12.15; AV Equipment 1,000.00.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** We have no Sunday School opening scheduled for this week, but we greet you with the words that Christians around the world use to acknowledge this day: CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA! We encourage our families to make use of the resources that were provided for you as you celebrate this day and remind each other of the promise of eternal life and salvation that is confirmed for you by the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. A blessed Easter to you all!

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR "Fear...Like Onions, You Know?"** Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Why end a good news story on a note of fear? St. Mark's Gospel wants us to see human fear as evidence that God is at work. (Mark 16). 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)



**WHY DIDN'T ANYONE ANSWER THE PHONE?** We do remind you that the staff gathers for daily devotions from 9:00 – 9:30am each day. This gives us time together in the Word and time together in prayer for you and for our church. We don't want to miss your call, and we'll get back to you as soon as we can!

### ***THIS WEEK AT FOOTHILLS***

<b>Mon</b>		Easter Monday, Office Closed
<b>Tues</b>	10:00 am	Bible Study – contact Pastor Bode
	6:30 pm	Board of Elders
	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study – contact Deaconess Miriam
<b>Wed</b>	1:00 pm	Funeral of Cliff Oberhammer
	1:15 pm	Ladies Bible Study – contact Deaconess Miriam
	6:30 pm	Worship
<b>Sun</b>	10:15 am	Worship

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

### ***MISSION OF THE MONTH: OUR LCC SEMINARIES***

Jesus bids us to “pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest” (Matthew 9:38, ESV). We help support that work by our support of seminaries. Your gift to this Mission of the Month helps in the training and preparation of those who will be labourers in His harvest field.



**MISSION PRAYER:** Rev. Romass Svell is pastor for the Jarai community in the Rotanakiri Province, Cambodia. **Prayer:** Heavenly Father, as Your Son sent forth His Church to make disciples in all nations, we lift up before You, Rev. Romass Svell, 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.**



**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! <https://fundraising.cocobrooks.com/invite/verify?code=thir-cares>

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 [www.facebook.com/foothillslutheran](https://www.facebook.com/foothillslutheran) so you can join us online (no Facebook account required!), and the service video will also be posted at <https://vimeo.com/foothillslutheran> later in the week. If you join us virtually, whether live or later in the week, please fill out our Livestream Connection Card at <https://forms.gle/R235qLEQ7VbBRajE7> You can also find this on our website: [www.foothillslutheran.com](http://www.foothillslutheran.com). 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.

**WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF NOMINATIONS**, as we look to fill the various offices of our leadership, for the sake of the orderly governance of our congregation. We will be seeking your nominations, as we look to the coming year and the work we do together. Please give some prayerful thought to those who can serve, and also pray that you may be ready to serve as the call comes!



**AFTER A GOOD END TO THE YEAR, OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS!** 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.

**THIS BUSY EASTER WEEKEND** has been a blessing as we remember the death of our Saviour for us, but also rejoice in His victory of life as He rises from the dead. Last year all our services were 'virtual', as the church itself was closed. We rejoice that people have been able to join us. That happens because of the willing hands who have worked to do all that needs to be done, including extra cleaning and sanitizing; extra practice and preparation by the cantors and organist and musicians; extra volunteers for our COVID registration and even ushers. We all long for the day when we can fill God's house and be together, and these workers are doing their part to help lead us to that day. We appreciate their service to us.

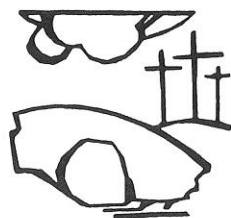


**AND A SPECIAL WORD OF THANKS TO OUR CANTORS:** We all would love to sing the hymns, especially those great hymns of the resurrection. While that isn't possible at present, we have had a group of people who have led the singing for us, as we contemplate those great words of prayer and inspiration from the hymnists. We thank Trevor and Michelle Heumann, Christine and Rob Heumann, Tim and Sarah Knudtson, Rob Kaut, Mark Kihn, Amanda Roth, Monica Schultz, Ellen Wagner. We do appreciate your service to the Lord and to us, as you add that special element to our worship service, singing on behalf of us all!

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# Kids in the DIVINE SERVICE

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## If all Jesus had to do was die, then why is Easter such a big deal?

Easter is a very important day. Easter is the day that we celebrate Jesus' resurrection from the dead.

After Jesus was crucified, His disciples were very sad. Everything seemed lost. It seemed like their God and Friend had been defeated and killed. They had even forgotten that Jesus told them He would rise from the dead. They must have thought Mary Magdalene was crazy when she told them Jesus had come to her at the tomb where He was buried. But her story was true! Jesus was alive! He had really risen from the dead!

Later, Jesus appeared to His disciples many times to prove He was alive. And by His resurrection, He proved to the whole world that He was victorious over death and paid for our sins completely. Now, the first words you hear in church on Easter Sunday are: "The Lord is risen. He is risen indeed! **ALLELUIA!**"

### FOR PARENTS

Help your children to recognize the different places in our worship where we speak of Jesus' resurrection. (The Creed is a good example.) Point out some of the symbols in the sanctuary that might aid in their understanding of the resurrection. Remind them that we join in His resurrection through our Baptism!



## Growing FAITH at home

4 April 2021

EASTER  
SUNDAY

### Caring Conversations

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

1

Tell about a time you felt very surprised.

2

A witness is one who has a story to tell. The women who went to Jesus' tomb certainly got a surprise and had a story to tell. What story do you like to tell about God.

3

What song or music best represents your thoughts, feelings or response to Jesus' resurrection? Share this with your family.

### Devotions



#### Daily Bible Readings

<b>S</b>	John 20:1-18	The tomb is empty
<b>M</b>	Mark 16:1-8	Jesus is risen!
<b>T</b>	Isaiah 25:6-9	God wipes away all tears
<b>W</b>	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	Witnesses to the resurrection
<b>T</b>	Act 10:34-43	The gospel is for all
<b>F</b>	John 11:1-27	Jesus is the resurrection and the life
<b>S</b>	Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24	A song of victory
<b>S</b>	John 20:19-31	Jesus appears to the disciples

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

### Rituals and Traditions



#### PRAYER

This is the day that the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it. Amen.

#### BLESSING

May the good news of Jesus' resurrection fill you with love, joy, peace and hope.

Jesus is risen!

## Creative Response

Make symbols of new life to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus.

Gather paper coffee filters and prepare paint by mixing small amounts of food colouring and water.

Use cotton swabs as paint brushes; dip these in the coloured water and paint the coffee filters.

When dry, form these into butterflies by gathering the coffee filters in the middle and wrapping half of a black pipe cleaner around them.

For more ideas, see the Grow Ministries Pinterest page.



## mealtime prayer

Risen Lord Jesus, come to us this day. Bless our food, share our table, and accept our thanks. Amen.

verse for the week

But the angel said, 'Don't be alarmed. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He isn't here! He is risen from the dead! Look, this is where they laid his body.'

MATTHEW 22:37

## Service



Use a random act of kindness to respond to the new life Jesus gives us.

Surprise someone with a visit, gift or good deed this week. It could be a neighbour, or someone who is working on Easter Sunday.

