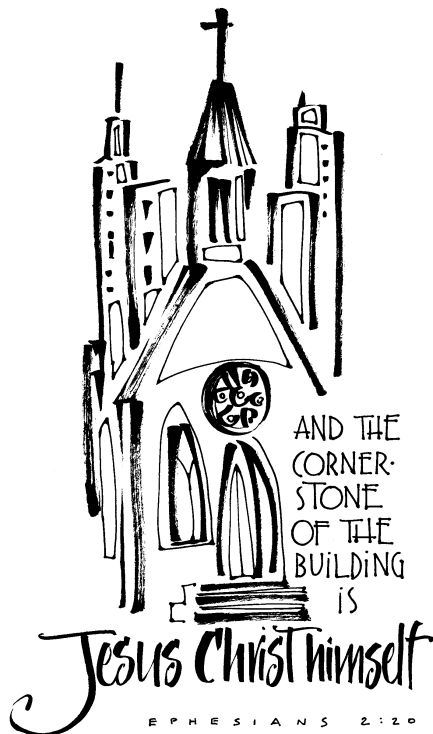


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“Connecting People with Christ through Worship, Relationships & Service”



Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 18, 2021

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A Prayer Upon Entering: We thank You, Good Shepherd, for raising up shepherds from among us--pastors, teachers and preachers who lead us and guide us and help us learn more about You. Strengthen and sustain them in their efforts and grant them Your abundant peace and rest.

Great Shepherd of the sheep, show us the way we should go.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

OPENING HYMN: My Saviour, My God

I am not skilled to understand
What God has willed what God has planned
I only know at His right hand
Stands One who is my Savior

I take Him at His word and deed
Christ died to save me this I read
And in my heart I find a need
Of Him to be my Savior

That He would leave His place on high
And come for sinful man to die
You count it strange so once did I
Before I knew my Savior

Chorus My Savior loves my Savior lives
 My Savior's always there for me
 My God He was my God He is
 My God is always gonna be (repeat)

Yes living dying let me bring
My strength my solace from this spring
That He who lives to be my King
Once died to be my Savior

My Savior lives my Savior loves
My Savior lives my Savior loves my Savior lives

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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

THE RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM of Wesley William and Wren Annette Moffett.

The Address

The Sign of the Cross

The Gospel

The Exhortation to Parents and Sponsors

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

OUR BAPTISMAL CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostle's Creed

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

C Yes, I believe.

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead?

C Yes, I believe.

P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting?

C Yes, I believe.

THE BAPTISM

The Rite of Baptism

The Blessing

The Presentation of the Baptismal Candle

The Exhortation to God's family

THE WELCOME

P Through Baptism God has added Wesley and Wren to His own people to declare the wonderful deeds of our Saviour, who has called us out of darkness into His marvellous light.

C We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as fellow members of the body of Christ, children of the same heavenly Father, to work with us in His kingdom.

P And you, Wesley and Wren, the Lord bless you in all your ways from this time forth and even forever.

C Amen

THE BAPTISMAL PRAYERS

P Peace ✠ be with you.

C **Amen.**

HYMN: Amazing Grace / My Chains are Gone

Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed

Chorus My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures (Chorus)

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Ephesians 2:12–13, alt.

P Remember that you were once separated from Christ, having no hope and without God in the world.

C **But now in Christ Jesus we who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace.**

Silence for reflection.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, for You have commanded us to confess our sins and yet have promised Your forgiveness. We therefore confess our sins, even those we are not aware**

of, those we have done and all that we have failed to do. By Your divine command, grant us Your forgiveness for the sake of the blood of our crucified and risen Shepherd, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, for You have commanded Your called ministers of Christ to absolve those who repent of their sins. Therefore, upon this, your confession, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Jeremiah 23:1–6

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 23; antiphon: v. 6

P Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

C He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.

P He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

C Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

P You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

C Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

EPISTLE: Ephesians 2:11–22

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 6:30–44

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN: Goodness, Love and Mercy

Oh Lord You're my Shepherd
You make me lie in fields of green
You lead me by the still waters
You restore righteousness to me
Though I walk through the valley
I will fear no evil thing
For You are with me and You comfort me

Chorus Surely goodness love and mercy
Will follow wherever I go (Repeat x2)

I'm gonna dwell in the house of the Lord forever

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SERMON: Surrounded By the Shepherd's Care - Psalm 23

HYMN: My Good Shepherd Loves Me So

My Good Shepherd loves me so and came for me
My Good Shepherd loves me so and set me free
My Good Shepherd loves me so, and He gave His life I know
So that I can live with Him eternally

My Good Shepherd rose to life on Easter day
My Good Shepherd lives and takes my sins away
My Good Shepherd reigns on high and in Him I will not die
I believe in Him who loves me every day.

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RECOGNITION OF VBS STAFF

HYMN: Desert Song

This is my prayer in the desert
When all that's within me feels dry
This is my prayer in my hunger and need
My God is the God who provides

This is my prayer in the fire
In weakness or trial or pain
There is a faith proved of more worth than gold
So refine me Lord through the flame

Chorus I will bring praise I will bring praise
No weapon formed against me shall remain
I will rejoice I will declare
God is my victory and He is here

This is my prayer in the battle
When triumph is still on its way
I am a conqueror and co-heir with Christ
So firm on His promise I'll stand (Chorus)

All of my life in ev'ry season
You are still God
I have a reason to sing
I have a reason to worship (X2 - Chorus)

This is my prayer in the harvest
When favour and providence flow
I know I'm filled to be emptied again
The seed I've received I will sow

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who has sanctified us with Your Word—Your Holy Commandments, Your Holy Scriptures, but above all, with Your Holy Word made flesh, Your only-begotten Son to be our Good Shepherd, our Savior, our Lord, and our King. Receive our praise for the gift of Your salvation and life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, for You have commanded us to pray. Grant Your Holy Church peace and strength to give witness to Your mercy for all people. Bless our nation with faithful leaders who will govern according to Your will in righteousness. Sustain all who protect and defend us from harm and danger both in the world and in Your gift of faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Endow Your ministers with compassion and grace to reach the lost and to serve Your people faithfully with Your Word and Sacraments. Guard and protect them from the assaults of the devil and all enemies of Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Deliver and heal all who are in trouble, danger, or illness, [especially . . .]. Like a shepherd, lead us all to the still waters and green pastures of Your grace. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Individual petitions may be added.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION:

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C Amen.

HYMN: Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,

Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness blessed be Your name.

Chorus: Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering blessed be Your name. Chorus

You give and take away. You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say, Lord, blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.
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BAPTIZED INTO THE CHRISTIAN FAITH, and into God's family here at Foothills, are Wesley William and Wren Annette Moffett. Their sponsors are Scott Gamble and David Wilson, Natasha Posthuma and Melodie Brouseau. We pray that God would bless Wesley, Wren and their family, and that He would keep them in His grace, poured out this day.

WELCOME: We are glad to rejoice with you this day in the goodness of the Lord! We invite you to join us in our songs of praise, our words of love, our prayers, and as we listen to the Word of God. May God bless your worship here today and fill your life with His love as you go through this coming week! Please come and join us again.

WE WILL CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION next Sunday, as 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.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

Music..... Contemporary Musicians
 Ushers..... Heather Sommers; Elfrieda Heiden

THIS WEEK AT FOOTHILLS

Mon-Fri VBS Available Online
Tues 7:30 pm Ladies Bible Study – contact Deaconess Miriam
Wed 6:30 pm Midweek Worship with Communion
Sun 10:15 am Worship with Communion

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of	Attendance/Online	Wednesday/Communion/Online
July 11	75/26	18/17/1

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS

Weekly Offering Needs	\$8,784.62	Our Budget Goal \$456,800.00
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$8,825.00	
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$201,279.00	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$245,969.23	-\$44,690.23

Miscellaneous Offerings: Plate Offering 30.00; Visitor Offering 100.00; CLBT 25.00; CLWR 150.00; Organ Fund 150.00.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

Family Focus:

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "The Problem and Promise of Deathbed Conversion". Is a last-minute conversion cause for joy or an insult to lifelong believers? Dr. Michael Zeigler explores both the problem and the promise of deathbed conversions. (Ephesians 2) Hear this inspirational message on CHR 1140 AM at 8:00 am Sunday morning. Streaming audio and podcasts at www.lutheranhour.ca

SUNDAY OR WEDNESDAY—YOU CAN WORSHIP IN GOD’S HOUSE!

We come together to worship and praise our God and to be fed through His Word. Join us Wednesdays at 6:30 pm or Sundays at 10:15 am—or both! You will also find us online at: www.facebook.com/foothillslutheran

MISSION PRAYER: Reverend Luis Antonio Dias Turcios

serves Emmanuel Lutheran Church and Lutheran Church Star of Bethlehem Chinandega, 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, we pray that you would sustain Rev. Luis Antonio Dias



Turcios, 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

CANADIAN LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS (“CLBT”)

CLBT is the agency that provides for the work done by the Kuhns in Cameroon and others like them. While we support the Kuhns, there is a need to provide for the administration of the whole program.



“JESUS, OUR GOOD SHEPHERD” – ONLINE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be up and running Monday July 19th, with opening, lesson, craft and music videos available online at

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVYh5wd3h74IHCHWVcHfIHA/playlists>.

Thank you to everyone who planned and prepared crafts and videos. If you have a family member, friend or neighbour who did not register, they can still access the videos, and a supply list for crafts will be available on our website.

AS WE ENTER INTO THE SUMMER MONTHS some of our Bible studies will recess for the next two months. Our Tuesday morning study is one of them, as is our Men's study. Others may be changing from week to week and may also be affected by vacation times, so please watch the bulletin for details. We can always look to other studies if there is interest among the members. Speak to the pastors or Deaconess Miriam if you want a study that is not available.

NEW AND IMPROVED STREAMED SERVICES! We have been working for some time to get better equipment for our streaming, and thanks to the efforts of Trevor Heumann and the financial gifts of our members, that equipment has been installed. We appreciate his efforts in getting the system installed and running. We'll have some training for the operators in the near future and will put it into service for the days ahead.

PLANS FOR OUR FALL CONFIRMATION PROGRAM are underway, as we think of the students who will begin their time of deeper study into the Scriptures and the catechism, to know the blessings God gives us as His people. Our normal routine is to begin as students enter Grade Six. We'll soon be sending out letters of information, but you can also speak to the pastors or deaconess to enroll your child. Watch for the letter, and for a meeting for parents and students, as we look to the ways we can make this a blessing to the students and their families.

GOD HAS BLESSED US IN MANY WAYS. That is true for us as a church, and if we are honest with ourselves, it is true for each of us. Those blessings enable us to serve Him in joy. They provide the means for our faithful stewardship, too.

We hope you will remember that our bills and ministry costs continue in these days. When you are away, please set aside your regular gift for the Lord's Work. Let's stay on top of our budget needs! We've been falling behind this year; let's get back on track, remembering God's faithfulness in first giving to us.