## Foothills Lutheran Church

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# Ninth Sunday after Pentecost July 25, 2021

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**A Prayer Upon Entering:** You care for us in so many ways, O Lord Jesus. Thank you for the food you give us day after day. Thank you for the protection you provide for us in times of difficulty and despair. And thank you for the help You offer to us whenever we are in need.

O Giver, Protector, and Helper, come to us, we pray.

### **OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

ORDER OF SERVICE:	As projected
HYMNS:I Will Follow; The Saving One	; 718; 763; 748; Grace Alone
FIRST LESSON:	Genesis 9:8-17
EPISTLE LESSON:	Ephesians 3:14-21
GOSPEL LESSON:	Mark 6:45-56

**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 TODAY, 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	Deaconess Miriam; Contemporary Musicians
Ushers	

THIS WEEK AT FOOTHILLS			
Tues	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study – contact Deaconess Miriam	
Wed	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship	
Sun	10:15 am	Worship with Communion	

#### LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of	Attendance/Online	Wednesday/Communion/Online
July 18	130	20/19/3

#### **OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS**

Weekly Offering Needs	\$8,784.62	Our Budget Goal
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$8,245.00	\$456,800.00
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$209,524.00	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$254,753.85	-\$45,229.85

*Miscellaneous Offerings:* Plate Offering 200.00; Visitor Offering 100.00; Parking 175.00; Benevolence 50.00; Organ Fund 108.30; VBS 20.00; Other Recoveries 1,100.00.

### IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

Family Focus:

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "The Peace Child" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. A story about warring tribes and the peace which comes only through the giving of a son. (Ephesians 3) Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM at 8:00 am Sunday morning. Streaming audio and podcasts at www.lutheranhour.ca

MISSION PRAYER: Deaconess Lucia Vanesa Barba serves at Iglesia Luterana Jesús Nuestro Salvador. 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

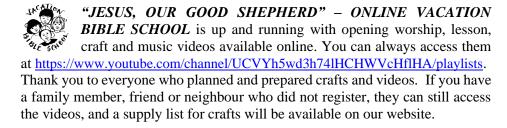


You would sustain Deaconess Barba by Your Spirit and richly bless her labours for the sake of the Gospel; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.** 

**PASTOR BODE AND BRENDA** will be on vacation August  $2 - 10^{th}$ . We pray for a safe and restful time. Pastor Eric and Deaconess Miriam will be available during this time.

### 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.



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: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/foothillslutheran">www.facebook.com/foothillslutheran</a>

**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.

12<sup>th</sup> LCC CONVENTION – JUNE 10-13, 2022 EDMONTON, AB: The new date is set and plans for the 2022 Synod Convention are moving forward. The theme for the convention, Stand Firm In The Faith, is based on 1 Corinthians 16:13 and was chosen for our convention that was originally scheduled for 2021 in recognition of the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Martin Luther's famous 'Here I Stand' speech at the Diet of Worms in 1521. Although our convention is being held a year later, the same theme has been retained since standing firm in the faith is probably more necessary now than ever as a result of Covid-19 ramifications.

*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.

25 July 2021 NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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



When have you wanted to make sure you got your fair share of something?



One little boy's lunch was used by God to meet the hunger of many people. In what ways might God be seeking, to use you or what you have, to bring help to others?



We tend to fear not getting enough in life because we think there is a soaroity of resources. How does the feeding of the five thousand challenge that understanding?

### Devotions -



### Daily Bible Readings

s	John 6:1-21	Jesus feeds the five thousand
М	2 Kings 4:42-44	Elisha feeds a hundred
Т	Ephesians 3:14-21	Christ's love for us
W	Exodus 24:1-18	The elders eat with God
Т	Mark 8:1-10	Jesus feeds the four thousand
F	Philippians 4:10-20	Christian generosity
S	Psalm 145:10-18	The Lord is kind and merciful
S	John 6:24-35	Jesus is the bread of life

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

### Rituals and Traditions 🕶



#### PRAYER

Lord Jesus, thank you for taking care of us - body, spirit and soul. Amen.

### BLESSING

May God who provides for your every need give you a grateful heart.

# God provides for his people's needs.

### Creative Response

Set aside time as a household to bake some bread or biscuits.

Package up what you bake and give away to your neighbours.

See how your efforts are multiplied into joy for others when you deliver your gifts.



### mealtime prayer

Lord Jesus, bless the food upon our dishes, as you did the loaves and fishes. By your grace we breathe and live, accept our thanks for all you give. Amen.



verse for the week

"You open your hand and satisfy the needs of every living creature."

PSALM 145:16



After Jesus fed the five thousand from just five small loaves and two fish he told his disciples to gather up what was left over. He said, "Let nothing be wasted."

Are there items in your home that are being "wasted", that are no longer being used but which might benefit someone else?

Take some time to sort through your household belongings. Set aside items to donate to a local thrift shop or charity.

