Foothills Lutheran Church

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Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 15, 2021

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A Prayer Upon Entering: We live because You live, O risen Lord. Help us to live according to Your will. Help us to serve, according to Your design. And help us to be the people You want us to be. May our lives demonstrate to others that You are alive in us.

Ever-living Lord, live on in our lives.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE:	Divine Service 4, p. 203
HYMNS:	869; 721; 411; 655; 642; 629
FIRST LESSON:	Proverbs 9:1-10
EPISTLE LESSON:	Ephesians 5:6-21
GOSPEL LESSON:	John 6:51-69
SERMON: Are You Smarter Than? – Pr	overbs 9:10-11

WELCOME: We gather to rejoice 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!

WE 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.

To help us with registration, please sign the list on the table and the stand in the narthex. One family member and the number of attending is helpful.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:	•
Music	Miriam Winstanley
Ushers	Elfrieda Heiden; John Voss

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "A Sunny Place for Shady People" Guest Speaker: Dr. Oswald Hoffmann "Archives August". The life of a notorious saint shows how the grace of God makes the Church a sunny place for shady people. (Ephesians 5:8). Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM at 8:00 am Sunday morning. Streaming audio and podcasts at www.lutheranhour.ca

THIS WEEK AT FLC

Wednesday 6:30 pm Midweek Worship

Saturday 2:00 pm Moffett Twins Baby Shower

Sunday 10:15 am Worship

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of	Attendance	Wednesday/Communion
August 8	93	21/14

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

Family Focus:

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS

Weekly Offering Needs	\$8,784.62	Our Budget Goal
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$9,023.00	\$456,800.00
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$230,067.00	+/ - YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$281,107.69	-\$51,040.69

Miscellaneous Offerings: Plate Offering 25.00; Visitor 200.00; LWML 20.00; Mustard Seed 100.00; Organ Fund 10.00.

DEACONESS MIRIAM is on vacation August 16-29. We pray for a safe and restful time.

MISSION PRAYER: Rev. Bun Sopeab is the Chairman of Cambodia Lutheran Church and the Pastor of Preach Lutheran Church in Kampot. He is also a part-time teacher in Garuna Christ School. Prayer: Heavenly Father, as Your Son sent forth His Church to make disciples of all nations, we lift up before You Rev. Sopeab 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.

MISSION OF THE MONTH THE MUSTARD SEED

The Mustard Seed mission is to build hope and well-being for the most vulnerable citizens through Jesus' love. Lives are changed every day because of people like you. Donate today to provide food, shelter, health and wellness support, and so much more.

"JESUS, OUR GOOD SHEPHERD", our online VBS is still available at: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVYh5wd3h74lHCHWVcHflHA/playlists

Thank you to all who taught, planned, edited, and prepared crafts this year – we couldn't have done it without you! We are grateful for the opportunity to share with our participants the love of our Good Shepherd and pray that their faith has been strengthened as they learned from the Bible, sang, created, and prayed together with their families at home.

MOFFETT TWINS BABY SHOWER: Kayla and Pastor Eric are excited to celebrate the birth of Wren Annette and Wesley William with their Foothills Family on **Saturday**, **August 21 from 2-4**. The shower will hopefully be outside



so please bring a lawn chair. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Heather Sommers at (403) 829-2366 or h.sommers@shaw.ca. If you want to contribute to the purchase of car seats for the twins, let Heather know.

Please note that due to COVID and being cautious, individually arranged treats and beverages will be provided and the twins will not be able to be cuddled or held. Looking forward to seeing you there.

SEEKING SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS: We are planning for in-person Sunday School and are looking to round out our teaching team with a few more faithful people who love God's Word, love His children, and have an interest in teaching. We provide materials, training and ongoing support, and our teachers generally team-teach, which means that they are able to work out a schedule that suits their needs. Please contact Deaconess Miriam to discuss how you can help!

FROM YOUR BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Planning for our fall programs is under way. Rally Day is scheduled for September 12th. Watch your bulletin and e-mails for information over the next several weeks about Christian education opportunities for you and your family!

IT HAS BEEN QUITE SOME TIME since we have been able to have a hymn sing Sunday, but by the grace of God we will plan to use your favourites on August 29th. If you have a suggestion, please get it to Pastor Bode by the 22nd of this month. You can email him at flepastor@foothillslutheran.com or call the church office.



THE SUMMER GOES BY SO QUICKLY! With the restrictions of the past year, many things had been put on hold, but we are hopeful, Lord willing, to see many things begin again.

Various Bible studies will begin, although we are still looking at what we will be able to do with our Sunday morning study. We will offer a Tuesday morning study in person, and Pastor Bode is hoping to resume the Thursday *Front to Back* that meets in his home. Sunday School, Youth Bible Study, and Confirmation begin Sunday, September 12th! Sunday School begins at 9:00 am in the sanctuary; Watch your bulletin and newsletter for more information on classes, meetings and the 'regular' activities of our congregation. Other things that begin early in September:

• Sept. 7: 6:30 pm Elders meet

• Sept. 7: 7:00 pm Confirmation Families meet

• Sept. 8: 7:30 pm Choir begins

• Sept. 11: 9:00 am Men's Bible Study



O SING TO THE LORD! The choir has been on hiatus due to COVID, but we are hoping to resume rehearsal, and we always look for new voices to join us in praising our God. The choir rehearses following the Wednesday evening service, at 7:30 pm. There is great

joy in sharing in song and proclaiming God's goodness in His gift of music. All voices are welcome! We begin again on September 8th.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES: From ushering to hosting coffee; serving as greeters or as counters/financial stewards, there are many ways of serving the Lord and His people as we use our gifts together. Sunday School will soon begin again, and there are opportunities to serve through this ministry to children. God has given each and every one of us a gift to be used, as St. Paul says, "for the common good." (1 Corinthians 12:7, ESV) How is God calling you to serve?

A CONFIRMATION MEETING for all new and returning students and their parents will be held Tuesday, September 7th at 7:00 pm. Letters should arrive soon for the families we know should be enrolled. If you did not receive a letter, or think your child should be in Confirmation, please speak to the pastors.



What is the "liturgy"?

Maybe you have heard this word used before. The word "liturgy" (pronounced LI-tur-jee) comes from a Greek word meaning "public service." It is God's "public service" to us through Word and Sacrament.

Why do we use it?

Think about what the word "liturgy" really means. As said before, the word "liturgy" comes from a Greek word meaning "public service." God is the one who is serving us in our Lutheran worship, and we respond to Him with our thanksgiving and praise. Isn't it wonderful to be involved in worship where God is giving us His

FOR PARENTS

Before or after the Divine Service, direct your children to the various services in the hymnal. Encourage use of the liturgy with your family at home. Matins and Vespers can make for great family devotions.

wonderful gifts of Word and Sacraments? As a matter of fact, almost all of the words in the liturgy come straight from God's Word, the Bible! What a great way to worship on Sunday morning!

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TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Caring Conversations

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



What different foods have you eaten today? What food have you enjoyed most of all?



Jesus said that he was 'bread from heaven' and that those who feed on him will live. In what ways is Jesus part of your life 'diet'?



In Holy Communion we receive the living bread through the body and blood of Jesus Christ in bread and wine. How does this meal celebrated in a community of faith give you an experience of Jesus?

Devotions --



Daily Bible Readings

S	John 6:51-58	Christ, the true food and drink
М	Proverbs 9:1-6	Wisdom's feast
Т	Ephesians 5:15-20	Be filled with the Spirit
W	Matthew 26:26-30	The Lord's Supper
Т	1 Corinthians 11:23-26	Institution of the Lord's Supper
F	1 Corinthians 11:23-26 Acts 2:37-46	Institution of the Lord's Supper Life among believers
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Discuss the bible reading. What word or phrase was important to you as you read these verses?

Rituals and Traditions 🝕



PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, thank you for being with us, feeding us, and giving us eternal life that has already begun. Amen.

BLESSING

May your Lord Jesus Christ, the living bread, feed you, forgive you, and be with you always. We have eternal life because of Jesus.

Creative Response

Ephesians 5:19 vrges us to "sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts."

Spend time together with family and/or friends and make a list of your favourite Christian hymns or songs.

Sing them or pray them together.

You can also create your own playlist or songbook that you can use each week, and take them on your holidays or in the car each day.



mealtime prayer

Thank you God, for blue skies above us, green grass below us, good friends beside us and fine food before us. Amen

verse for the week

"Those Who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and l in them."

JOHN 6:58

Service

Now is a good time
to start thinking
about putting together
a shoebox for
christmas as part
of Samaritan's Purse
operation Christmas
child.

This is a wonderful way of sharing the material blessings we have with the needy children in other countries. Visit www.samaritanspurse. org.au for more information and begin to gather items for your shoebox of gifts.

