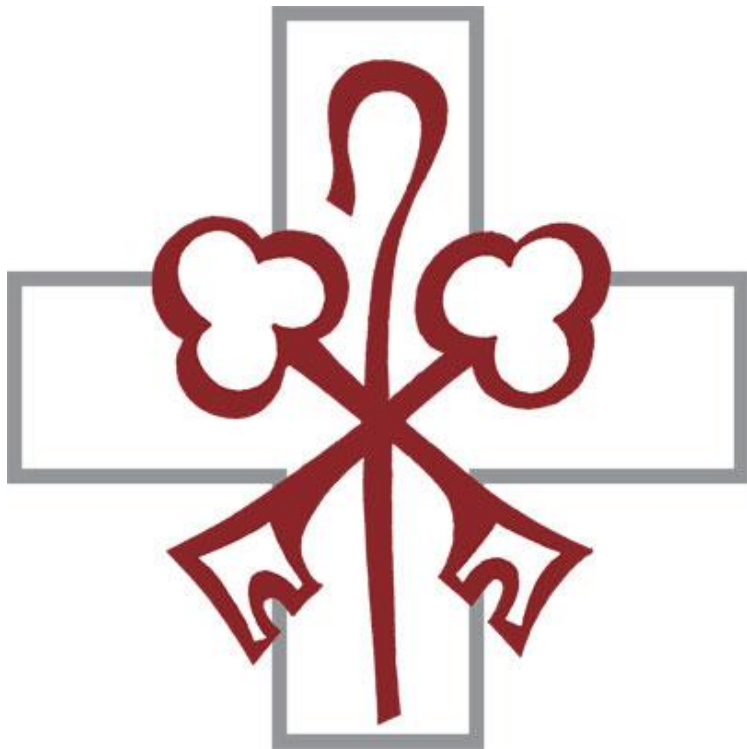


Foothills Lutheran Church

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



Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 3, 2021

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A Prayer Upon Entering: Bless all families gathered here today. Increase the love between husbands and wives and parents and children. Bring peace and harmony to each of their homes. And may all their time together be made richer because of Your presence with them.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: Divine Service, Setting 3, p. 184

HYMNS:602; 647; 646; 975; 570; 617

FIRST LESSON:..... Genesis 2:18-25

EPISTLE LESSON:Hebrews 2:1-13 (14-18)

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 10:2-16

SERMON: *The Keeper of the Keys* (John 20:21-23)

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.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

Organist..... Deaconess Miriam Winstanley
Ushers..... Ellen Wagner; Bruce Winstanley
Acolyte.....Faith Dueck



THE FLOWERS which beautify our altar today are given to the glory of God by Joan Copeland in loving memory of her husband, Tom. The vase by the lectern is in memory of Louise Meyers, from the family.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "**Approval Cannot Equal Love**" God places Christians in neighborhoods, among neighbors who don't necessarily share their beliefs. How should they relate? Dr. Michael Zeigler talks about avoiding the pitfalls of isolation and approval. (1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1). Hear this inspirational message on CHR B 1140 AM at 8:00 am Sunday morning. Streaming audio and podcasts at www.lutheranhour.ca

THIS WEEK AT FLC

Monday	6:30 pm	Sunday School Teachers' Meeting
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Elders
	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday	1:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship
Sunday	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Morning Worship

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of	Attendance/Communion	Wednesday
September 26	81/75	18

Attendance numbers include online participants

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	\$4,005.00	\$425,000.00
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$271,973.00	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$318,750.00	-\$46,777.00

Miscellaneous Offerings: Visitor 250.00; FLSR 2,000.00; Concordia Lutheran Mission Society 10.00; LWML 50.00; Helping Hands Kitchen 120.00.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: "The Passover Promise" is this week's lesson about God's establishment of the Passover. God, through Moses, threatens one final plague—worse than any previously experienced. Following God's instructions, the Israelites make careful preparations for the Passover, marking their doorposts with the blood of a lamb prepared for the feast. The final plague takes place at midnight as all the firstborn throughout Egypt die. The Egyptians hand over their valuables, hastening the Israelites away.

PASTOR ERIC HAS RECEIVED A CALL to serve as pastor of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Sarnia, ON. As he seeks God's will and direction for his service in the Lord's church, we do ask that you keep him and Kayla in your prayers. Pray also for our congregations who are seeking pastors in these days, as well as for our congregation, as we await his decision.

LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY TO BEGIN: Pastor Bode will offer a LifeLight study on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 am – 11:30 am. We will start on Tuesday, October 12, 2021—the Tuesday following Thanksgiving. Our first class *may not* be LifeLight, but we will give out materials at that time. Several have responded—let Pastor Bode know if you are interested in attending.

MISSION OF THE MONTH
BC MISSION BOAT

The BC Mission Boat Society takes teams by car, water taxi and ferry to remote communities on the BC coast to share God's love in Jesus Christ. Teams from across Canada participate in this work. A Listed Service Organization of LCC.

MISSION PRAYER: Rev. Geronimo Franciso Cano

serves Lutheran Church Critso Vive Rey Community as well as El Calvario Lutheran Church in the El pilot community.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, as Your Son sent forth His Church to make disciples in all nations, we lift up before You, Rev. Cano 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.**



THE COVID SITUATION IN ALBERTA has resulted in a return to restrictions (110 people) and distancing in worship. We ask our members to register at <https://rsvp.church/r/aTJSxeNQ> so that we can be sure that we don't have to turn people away from worship. We do pray that God will deliver us from this pandemic; that He will give us patience and strength to endure; that we will do all we can to show our love and care for one another as we go through these frustrating days.

THANK YOU FOR REGISTERING FOR WORSHIP! By the grace of God, the day will come when we no longer need to do this, but right now it helps us prepare and provide care for one another. You can assist our registration teams by remembering to complete your registration by Saturday evening. Our teams seek to make the best use of our space, and we hope that you remember that means we may not be able to sit in our 'favourite' spot. Please bear with us, as we all look to the ways we can be together in God's house while caring for one another in these COVID days.

PRAYING WITH JESUS, PRAYING THE PSALMS LWMLC RESOURCE AVAILABLE: Rev. Jonathan Kraemer, pastor of All Saints' Lutheran Church, Edmonton, did a Bible Study by this title online for the ladies of LWMLC earlier this year. The study was recorded and is now available here at Foothills. Contact Deaconess Miriam to borrow the thumb drive, or to request a link to access the files.

HOSPITAL VISITOR TRAINING & COMMUNICATION SKILLS: Would you like to learn about becoming a Trained Visitor in a hospital or care facility setting and at the same time enhance your communication skills? Join us for an initial Visitor Training Session, sponsored by Lutheran Hospital Ministries-Southern Alberta Society. The class will be held on **Saturday, October 16th**, from 10 am - 2 pm. We meet in the basement of St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 66-7th St. NE Calgary (D.V.). Bring a bag lunch. We will have room to social distance. Please wear a mask.

Contact Pastor Rekken at 780-718-4472 or email pastor@princeofpeace.ca for more information.

HELPING HANDS KITCHEN: October 16th, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm. Please check the Human Care Bulletin Board for more information on how you can support this mission. Thank you to all who have signed up, and I look forward to seeing you on October 16th. Submitted by Christine Heumann



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: This year's campaign runs from October to the third week of November. Boxes and brochures should arrive shortly. Pray that the doors of opportunity will be open, that all believers will give witness to our sins being forgiven in Jesus.

OUR MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE

How do we memorize? For each verse take two minutes every night and say it through twice, together, or once in the morning and once in the evening." Do this as a family at mealtimes. Do it every day of the week. Repetition is important.

*This week's verse: **Matthew 6:9-13***

Pray then like this:

“Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come,
your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,

as we also have forgiven our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.”

OUR COMMUNION PREPARATION

Many of our members have used the cards in the pew racks to help them with their preparation for Holy Communion. We removed the cards and the pencils because of the difficulty of proper sanitization in these days of COVID-19. To help you, we have the questions from the card below, along with the prayers before and after Communion that were in the hymnal. We pray that this will help you prepare your heart as you come to the Lord's Table.

By celebrating Holy Communion I give witness that:

- I believe that Jesus Christ is my Saviour and Lord.
- I have examined my life in the light of God's Word and have confessed my sinfulness to God.
- I believe that Christ's body and blood are truly present in, with and under the bread and wine.
- I believe that in this Sacrament God gives me the forgiveness of my sins.
- I believe that God the Holy Spirit strengthens my faith and renews my life.
- I resolve, in the power of the Holy Spirit, to amend my sinful ways.

A Prayer before communing:

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation we come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let us find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of our souls and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank and praise You for feeding us the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send us Your Holy Spirit that, having with our mouths received the holy Sacrament, we may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.



Growing FAITH at home

3 October 2021

NINETEENTH
SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST

Caring Conversations

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

1

Share a favourite childhood memory.

2

Jesus has a special love for little children. What does this say to you about what God is like?

3

Jesus placed his hand on the little children and blessed them. In what ways have you experienced God's blessing on you? How has God used your hands to bless others?



Devotions



Daily Bible Readings

S	Mark 10:2-16	Jesus blesses the children
M	Genesis 2:18-24	God creates a partner for man
T	Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12	All things created through God's Son
W	Matthew 18:1-6	Welcoming a little child
T	Deuteronomy 11:13-21	Teaching the children
F	Ephesians 6:1-9	Instructions for the household
S	Psalm 8	God honours humanity
S	Mark 10:17-31	A rich man goes away sad

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

Rituals and Traditions



PRAYER

Loving God,
wrap us in your
arms and bless
us. Amen.

BLESSING

May the Lord
Jesus Christ take
you into his arms
and bless you;
may he protect
and care for you,
now and always.

Jesus welcomes and blesses children

Creative Response

Give attention to blessing one another in your home this week (at bedtimes, or when people leave for work/school etc). Use one of the blessings from Growing Faith at Home or one of these:

- 'May the Lord cover you with his peace, fill you with his love, and keep you safe in his care. Amen'
- 'The Lord bless you and protect you; the Lord show you kindness and be gracious to you; the Lord grant you his favour and give you his peace. Amen'
- 'May the Lord protect you when you are awake (sign cross on the forehead); and watch over you when you sleep (sign cross over eyes); that awake you may keep watch with Christ, and asleep, rest in his peace (sign cross over heart). Amen'

mealttime prayer

With this food you make us strong. To you our life
and love belong. Thank you, God! Amen.

verse for the week

"Let the little
children come to
me; Don't keep
them away. God's
kingdom belongs to
people like them."

MARK 10:14

Service



In the readings
this week Jesus
also teaches about
marriage.

Spend some time looking
through wedding photos.

Pray for all marriages and
married couples you know.

Think of a married couple
you could encourage.

Write them a note, prepare
a gift for them to enjoy, or
if they have children, offer
childcare so the parents
can go out together.