

Foothills Lutheran Church

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



*I will satisfy you with a full life
and give you my salvation*

PSALM 91:16

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

October 17, 2021

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A Prayer Upon Entering: We are Your servants, O Lord. May we do Your bidding and follow Your example by caring for the needs of others, going out to share Your Good News, and working to upbuild and restore what was once torn down and broken. May all our efforts be blessed by You.

Jesus, our Servant Savior, work within our hearts so we may serve You more.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

- ORDER OF SERVICE:** As projected
- HYMNS:** 904; 744; 690; 848; 602; 979
- FIRST LESSON:**..... Ecclesiastes 5:10-20
- EPISTLE LESSON:** Hebrews 4:1-13 (14-16)
- GOSPEL LESSON:** Mark 10:23-31
- SERMON:**

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..... Lorne Rosenau; Brian Vincent
- Acolyte..... Eliza Voss

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "Dead Man, Walking" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The Old Testament books of Samuel tell the story of Israel's King David and share the promise of the greater King to come (1 Samuel 3:18). Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM at 8:00 am Sunday morning. Streaming audio and podcasts at www.lutheranhour.ca

LARGE PRINT ORDERS OF SERVICE are available for your use. Please pick up a copy from the tables at the back of the sanctuary or ask an usher for a copy.

THIS WEEK AT FLC

Tuesday	10:00 am	LifeLight Bible Study
	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday	1:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship
Friday	6:00 pm	Youth
Sunday	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Morning Worship

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of	Attendance	Wednesday/Communion
October 10	115	18/16

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	\$8,173.08	Our Budget Goal
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$11,275.00	
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$293,693.00	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$335,096.15	-\$41,403.15

Miscellaneous Offerings: Plate 145.00; Visitor 500.00; BC Mission Boat 20.00; LWML 20.00; Human Care 100.00.

WE EXTEND OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY and the glorious hope of the resurrection to the Printz Family at the death of long-time member Wil Printz. We pray that God would comfort this family with His everlasting love and comfort.

LIFELIGHT BIBLE CONTINUES THIS WEEK: Join us as we continue our look at the first part of the Gospel of John in our LifeLight study. We meet Tuesday mornings from 10:00 am – 11:30 am.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: In today's "Waterworks" lesson, we learn about how God provided "Food from Heaven" and water from the rock. God keeps His promise to provide for His people as He daily sends manna (bread) and quail (meat) from heaven for them to gather. Having moved their camp from the wilderness of Sin to Rephidim, the Israelites face a new challenge—no water. Despite His daily food supply, the people doubt God's ability to provide water for them and their livestock. Moses cries out the Lord, who instructs him to strike the rock with his staff. Moses does so and water pours out, providing all that the people need. How does God provide for your daily needs?

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. We know the needs are great, and we are blessed through their efforts. Your support helps them bring the Gospel, especially to those isolated indigenous communities.

MISSION PRAYER: Deaconess Ruth Onelia Castro Casco serves Holy Spirit Lutheran Church Jinotega, 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 and to distribute His saving gifts of grace, we pray that You would sustain Deaconess Casco 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 forever. **C: Amen.**



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.

AS WE ENTER THE LAST QUARTER OF THE YEAR, we remember that we are called to be good stewards of God's resources to us. We have been blessed in many ways, and we respond in faithful stewardship. Please continue this joyous service, as we give from God's gifts to us. We always seem to have some catching up to do in this quarter. God has given so much to us; may we use His gifts to His glory in Jesus Christ!

ONLINE DONATIONS: Foothills does receive gifts online or through pre-authorized debit. Another option is via Lutheran Church–Canada. The LCC website includes an option to give directly to your home congregation. When you visit www.lutheranchurchcanada.ca and click on the “Support My Home Congregation” link on the home page, you will be directed to a secure, online giving portal. Simply select Foothills from the dropdown list and follow the instructions.

PRAISE BE TO GOD FOR OUR CATECHUMENS! We rejoice with the young people who will make their vows of faithfulness and confession on our Confirmation Sunday—Reformation Day, October 31st. As we look to that day, we ask for your prayers for our young people. We also hope you will show your support and love for these new communicant members as we worship with them that day. The students will present their testimonies of faith as part of our worship that day. As we celebrate the Reformation it is good to hear these young people share that conviction that comes through grace alone, faith alone, and Scripture alone.

THE ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING OF LUTHERAN HOSPITAL MINISTRIES – SOUTHERN ALBERTA SOCIETY will be held on Saturday, November 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in the basement of St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 66 – 7 Street N. E., Calgary, Alberta. The purpose of the meeting is to approve the 2022 Budget of the Society. If your congregation has not supported us, but would like to be a part of this important budget process, you may do so by providing us with a donation at the Budget Meeting. All donations enable our visitors to spread God’s love to others through hospital and care centre visitations. The meeting will be brief. Please make every effort to have your congregation represented at this important meeting.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: Boxes and brochures are now available on the table outside Deaconess Miriam’s office. For more information contact Elke Bittmann 403-295-0271.

LUTHERAN HOSPITAL MINISTRIES—SOUTH ALBERTA SOCIETYS is looking for an office administrator. Responsibilities include handling telephone calls and emails; organizing our annual fundraiser, Walk for Love, as well as 2 luncheons per year; recording Walk pledges and deposits; recording visitor activities; ensuring contact information for churches and care facilities is up-to-date, attending Board meetings and taking minutes. Other duties would include issuing 2 newsletters and ensuring that our website is current. This position would require 2 – 3 days per week, 3 – 4 hours per day. Please note this is a contract position and would begin January 3, 2022. For further information, please call Margrit at (403) 264-4045 or email lhmsa@gmail.com.

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 5:16

In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

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

17 October 2021

TWENTY-FIRST
SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST

Caring Conversations

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

1

Share about a time when you felt important.

2

Who do you know that is important? In your town, city, country? Why?

3

What makes someone great/important in God's kingdom? (Read Mark 10:43)

4

How did Jesus make himself the 'slave of all'? In what ways can we follow his example?

Devotions



Daily Bible Readings

S	Mark 10:35-45	The Son of Man came to serve
M	Isaiah 53:4-12	Suffering servant song
T	Hebrews 5:1-10	Jesus the great high priest
W	Numbers 12:1-9	Moses is a servant of the Lord
T	Galatians 5:13-15	Serve one another in love
F	1 Peter 4:7-11	Use your gifts to serve others
S	Psalms 91:9-16	God's protection
S	Mark 10:46-52	Jesus heals blind Bartimaeus

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

Rituals and Traditions



PRAYER

Lord God, thank you for serving us. Teach us how to serve others from the heart.
Amen

BLESSING

May you know the love of Jesus, your Saviour.
May you grow in serving others, reflecting the heart of Jesus.

Jesus teaches about serving

Creative Response

Read Mark 10:33-37. Obviously, James and John were not listening to the words of Jesus that spoke of his suffering and death.

Sometimes we only hear what we want to hear without listening to others, including God. A valuable Christian tradition is to sit in silence and listen for God to speak to us.

Take time this week to sit in silence and listen for how God wants to speak to you. Use the words from Mark 10:45 ("He came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many") to read slowly, quietly and thoughtfully during this time.



mealtime prayer

Lord, you fill each cup, you fill each plate. Help us your love to imitate. Amen.

verse for the week

"Even the son of Man did not come to be served. Instead, he came to serve others. He came to give his life as the price for setting many people free".

MARK 10:45

Service



The very best way to learn the value of service is to do it!

Here are some ideas to serve as a family this week:

- Engage your children in serving others together with you, whether inside or outside the home (eg: weed a garden, bake biscuits, visit an elderly neighbour)
- Look at the talents of the people in your family and help them to find ways to use these gifts to serve others.
- Be on the look out for opportunities to serve in your neighbourhood.
- Take advantage of service opportunities offered through your church, school or local community
- Talk with each other about experiences of serving and being served. Draw connections between your faith and your actions.
- Help each other know how Christ serves us, and calls us, in turn to serve others.