Foothills Lutheran Church

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Fífth Sunday After The Epíphany February 6, 2022

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A Prayer Upon Entering: "Let down your nets," You told Simon Peter, O Lord. He obeyed and caught many fish. May we, like Simon Peter, trust Your word and do what You command, so that Your word may be fulfilled in and through us.

Blessed Lord, help us to follow Your will always.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE:	As projected
HYMNS:	507; 766 (vs. 1, 5, 9); 827; 797; 636
FIRST LESSON:	Isaiah 6:1-8 (9-13)
EPISTLE LESSON:	1 Corinthians 14:12b-20
GOSPEL LESSON:	Luke 5:1-11
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:

Music	Deaconess Miriam Winstanley
	Elfrieda Heiden; Ellen Wagner
	Natalia Bishop



THE FLOWERS that grace our altar this month are from the Heumann families and are in remembrance of Rick Bennetts (Michelle's dad) and Iain Graham (Christine's dad).

SUNDAY SCHOOL: In today's lesson, "The Wise King," when God invites Solomon to ask for what he desires most, Solomon prays for wisdom to carefully lead the people. Pleased with this selfless request, God grants Solomon great wealth and honor in addition to his desired wisdom. Solomon wrote and collected many of the wisdom writings that make up the Book of Proverbs.

THIS WEEK AT FLC		
Tuesday	10:00 am	LifeLight Bible Study
	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship
Thursday	1:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
Friday		Youth
Saturday	9:00 am	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	9:00 am	Confirmation / Bible Study
	10:15 am	Sunday Worship

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of:	Attendance	Wednesday
January 30	131/76	15/11

^{*} 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	\$8,288.46	Our Budget Goal
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$10,780.00	\$431,000.00
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	37,280.00	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$41,442.31	-\$4,162.31

Non-Budget and Miscellaneous Gifts: Plate Offering 15.00; Facility Rentals 405.00; FLSR Rent 500.00; LWML 65.00; Organ Fund 21.25; Initial Offerings 30.00.

TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2021 are available in your mailbox. We will leave them in the mailboxes for another two weeks and will mail them out by the end of the month. If you would like your receipt mailed sooner, please contact the church office.

AT OUR VOTERS' MEETING we adopted the budget for 2022. After much discussion, we arrived at a total budget of \$549,347 and the need for offering receipts of \$431,000. The budget has increased from last year, but we are hopeful that additional income from parking and parsonage rental will be "back to normal". We believe God empowers us to do great things for the good of His people and for the sake of the Gospel in the world. May He help us to be faithful stewards, even in these sometimes confusing and difficult times.

FEBRUARY IS STEWARDSHIP MONTH: Stewardship is about giving of our time, talents and treasures to God out of thankfulness for all He has done for us. In February we will be focusing on Stewardship and reminding each of us of our duty to give back of our time, talents and treasures. When we examine our lives, we have many blessings to be thankful for and it is out of this thankfulness that we should cheerfully give back to the Lord of our time, talents and treasures. In February you will be seeing information that is focused on Stewardship and we ask each member to personally examine how you can give back to your Lord. During the month we will ask all members to fill out a Time and Talents survey which will help us to use the talents of our members in the various volunteer opportunities and roles in the congregation. You will be receiving an email shortly with a link to the survey or you can fill out a paper copy of the survey that will be in your mailbox. Please prayerfully consider how you can serve our Lord through service in our community and congregation and fill out our Time and Talents survey.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "How Christians Can Admire the Jewish Sabbath" Dr. Michael Zeigler says the Jewish practice of observing the Sabbath is sort of like being in a long-distance relationship. (Luke 6:1-11) Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM at 8:00 am Sunday morning. Streaming audio and podcasts at www.lutheranhour.ca

MISSION OF THE MONTH: LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

Lutheran Hour Ministries is a trusted resource in global media that equips and engages a vibrant volunteer base to passionately proclaim the Gospel to more than 125 million people worldwide each week. Through its North American headquarters and ministry centers on six continents, LHM reaches into more than 50 countries, often bringing Christ to places where no other Christian evangelistic organizations are present. LHM's flagship ministry, **The Lutheran Hour**®, airs weekly on more than 1,800 radio stations and the American Forces Network.



OUR MEN'S BIBLE STUDY will meet on Saturday, **February 12**th at 9:00 am. We invite the men of the congregation to join us.

SPREADING THE LOVE OF JESUS THROUGH DISTRIBUTION OF HOMEMADE VALENTINES: If you are interested in creating a valentine for a shut-in or another member of our congregation who may be in need of a cheerful message, please contact the church office. This initiative is sponsored by the ladies of Foothills LWML-C Society with our special thanks to the staff for orchestrating it!

FLC PRESCHOOL: At the voter's meeting last Saturday, a decision was made by the voters for the closure of the preschool. Looking ahead there are several tasks which need to be addressed. Some are small while others are more involved and will require some time. The Board of Christian Education is asking our members to consider assisting with this endeavor. There will be a need for someone to lead in the role of Project Manager as well as individuals to help with the smaller details outlined by the Project Manager. Those who have an interest in helping in any way can email the board at education@foothillslutheran.com, call in to the office or speak to a staff member.

MISSION PRAYER: Rev. Bun Phanna serves the community of Phnom Penh, Cambodia as the director of theological education at The Luther Institute Southeast Asia. Prayer: Heavenly Father, as Your Son sent forth His Church to make disciples of all nations, we lift up before You, Rev. Phanna, 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.

DURING THESE EPIPHANY DAYS we are spending time reviewing the petitions of the Lord's Prayer, as we seek to learn from our Lord to pray. We hope you will join us for the remaining weeks in this series. You can also go back and find them online if you miss a service.

CAN'T WORSHIP ON SUNDAY? We also have services each Wednesday, too! Some of our members have also appreciated the smaller numbers on Wednesday as we continue to deal with COVID. You can register for either service (Sunday or Wednesday) at https://rsvp.church/r/aTJSxeNQ

OUR SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY has started up again during our Christian Education Hour. We meet starting at 9:00 am, the same as our Confirmation class. It is helpful if you would register for this; when you are registering for worship, just add a note behind your first name such as (study). If you register through the office, just let us know that you are going to join us. We do continue COVID protocols—masking and social distancing.

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 lifegiving 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.

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: Psalm 37:5

Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act.



6th February 2022

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Here I am, send me

Caring Conversations

SHARE

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



What makes you scared or afraid?



Read Luke 5:1-11. Why was Simon Peter afraid?



Jesus calls his followers to be "fishers of people"? What does this mean? How does this make you feel?



Devotions -





READ Daily Bible Readings

S	Luke 5:1-11	Jesus calls the first disciples
М	Isaiah 6:1-8, 9-13	Isaiah's commission
Т	1 Cor 15:1-11	The resurrection of Christ
W	Luke 5:27-32	The call of Levi
Т	Isaiah 8:1-15	Resisting the call
F	Philippians 3:12-16	Running towards the goal
s	Psalm 138	I will praise you, Lord
S	Luke 6:17-26	Blessings and woes



Talk about the Bible verse. What word or phrase was important to you as you read these verses?

Rituals and Traditions



PRAY

Lord Jesus, replace my fears with boldness, so that I may be a fisher of people for you. Amen.



BLESS

May the Lord save you with his right hand, and fulfill his purposes for you, now and always.

sundays After Epiphany

GREEN is a sign of life and nature and as such represents growth, life and hope.

Creative Response

Jesus calls his followers to be "fishers of people" - to cast his word into the world so that others are drawn to him.

In your family devotion time this week, pray by name for up to three people in your circle of friends or relatives who do not know and follow Christ.

Pray that God will be able to use you and others as an influence in their lives, and that they are brought to faith in him.



mealtime prayer

Dear Lord, thank you for this food and for the hands that prepared it. Bless it to our use, and us to your service. Amen.



verse for the week

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And Who Will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I.

ISAIAH 6:8

Service •

consider performing one of these "random acts of kindness" for others during this next week (or even better, think up one yourselves!):

- Offer your mail carrier a refreshing drink, a kind word or a thank you note.
- Pick up any litter you see as you go through the day.
- Leave a bouquet of flowers on someone's front door step.
- Buy a balloon bouquet and ask the nurses at a children's hospital to deliver it to a child.
- Clean up the yard or garden of someone who is elderly, sick or busy with small children.
- Send a thinking-of-you card to someone you know who is struggling.
- Call a friend or family member and tell them why you love them.

