Foothills Lutheran Church

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The Transfiguration of Our Lord February 27, 2022

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A Prayer Upon Entering: Shine in our hearts, Transfigured Lord. Warm us with Your love. Brighten our lives with Your grace. And surround us with Your glory day after day.

Glorious Savior, may Your light bring us new life.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE:	As projected
HYMNS: 10,000 Reasons; 537; As it is in Heaven; This is Amazing Grace; 417	
FIRST LESSON:	
EPISTLE LESSON:	Hebrews 3:1-6
GOSPEL LESSON:	Luke 9:28-36
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 WEDNESDAY 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	Contemporary Musicians; Deaconess Miriam Winstanley
Ushers	Lorne Rosenau; Bruce Winstanley
Acolyte	Faith Dueck

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL: The lesson this week is "Provided-For Prophet." The prophet Elijah warns King Ahab of the severe drought coming. God first sends Elijah to the brook Cherith, where He provides ravens to feed him. When the brook dries up, Elijah lodges with a widow in Zarephath. Despite her limited supply of flour and oil, it never runs out. God supplies just what they need each day. When the widow's son dies, Elijah raises him back to life through God's power.

THIS WEEK AT FLC			
Monday	1:00 pm	LWMLC	
	6:30 pm	Sunday School Teachers' Meeting	
Tuesday	10:00 am	LifeLight Bible Study	
	6:30 pm	Elders	
	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study	
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Ash Wednesday 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/Communion	Wednesday
February 20	85/43	14

^{*} 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	\$6,575.00	\$431,000.00
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$61,942.00	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$66,307.69	-\$4,365.69

Non-Budget and Miscellaneous Gifts: Plate 10.00; FLSR Rent 500.00; 75.00 Lutheran Hour Ministries; LWMLC 25.00; Organ Fund 25.00.

OUR MEN'S BIBLE STUDY will meet on Saturday, **March 5**th at 9:00 am at the church and we wrap up by 10:30. We invite all the men to come and join us.



FELLOWSHIP AT FOOTHILLS SURVEY: As we look towards relaxed restrictions in the coming days, we would appreciate EVERY member filling out a survey on their comfort levels with upcoming events. This will help us get a general reading on what activities we should plan for the majority of the church family's comfort. The survey is available digitally as well as in paper form. If you have not received an email with the survey, please contact Sarah (knudtson.sarah@gmail.com) or fill out a paper one at the church and place it in Miriam's office mailbox. **Today is the last day for the survey.**

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "Greatness" Dr. Michael Zeigler recounts the life of Eric Liddell, the Olympic champion who ran with perseverance a much different race as a Christian missionary in China. (Luke 9:1-48) 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.

LWMLC FOOTHILLS SOCIETY MEETING: Monday, **January 28**th 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Pastor Bode will lead us in Bible Study and then we will have our business meeting. This is a hybrid meeting with your choice of online or in person participation. If you plan to attend, please e-mail Cheryl Lemke at cheryl.lemke@shaw.ca or phone her at (403) 851-2049. This helps us prepare. A zoom link invitation will be sent to you for online participation. For those who would like to attend in person, tables will be set up in the Fellowship Hall to allow for social distancing. Please wear a mask and bring your own beverage and snack. All ladies are welcome!



LENTEN DEVOTIONS in regular and large print are available on the Welcome Desk. In *Suffering Servant*, we encounter Jesus the Man sent to redeem a lost world. Born in the flesh, Jesus became like us. Taking the form of a Servant, He emptied Himself. Bearing our sins to the cross, He gives us newness of life through His victory over death won for us by His resurrection from the dead.



STEWARDSHIP OF OUR TALENTS: We have each been given gifts and God has asked us to use our gifts in service to Him. In 1 Peter 4:10-11 it says:

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. ¹¹ If anyone speaks, they should do so as

one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen."

During the month of February, we are focusing on Stewardship. This week we are focusing on using our talents and gifts to further God's work in our church and within the community. We each have talents and we should be using them to glorify God out of thankfulness for all he has done for us. Your talents can be used in various ways. Some of us may have talents that can be used within our church. Our church is primarily run by volunteers and we have a significant shortage of volunteers in most areas of the church. We have Pastors and Church workers who shepherd us and provide for our spiritual needs; however, many volunteers are required to the do the work within our congregation and to further our outreach programs in the community. If you have talents that can be used within our church, then we ask you to volunteer for a role in our congregation that make use of these talents. Some of you may have talents that can be used for outreach to our community, either through our congregation's outreach programs or through other Christian outreach initiatives. There are numerous volunteer opportunities that will allow you to use your talents in service to others outside of our congregation.

To help us make the best use of the talents of our members, we ask that each member of our congregation fill out a time and talents survey to determine what your gifts are, and how you can best use these gifts in service to our Lord. We will use the information from these surveys to match the gifts of our members with the needs of the congregation and to find volunteers for our Christian community initiatives. Our congregation cannot survive without engaged active members who are willing to use their gifts as volunteers. We thank all of you who are currently working or have worked in the past on a committee, board or initiative of our congregation. We also encourage those of you who are not currently volunteering to get involved.

Every member of a household should fill out a time and talents worksheet. They are in your mailbox, emailed to those who are in contact with the church through email, and also available through an online survey service, available at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3832CF3. If none of these work for you, please contact the church office if you require a form and we can make one available for you.



LENT: A TIME FOR RENEWAL will be the focus of our special Lenten midweek services, beginning with **Ash Wednesday, March 2nd**. Services begin at 6:30 pm. A calendar listing all of our Lenten and Easter observances is

available on the Welcome Desk.

OUR LENTEN LEADERS' BIBLE STUDY: We are once again encouraging our leaders and all who are interested to join us for a special time of spiritual encouragement in the Word of the Lord. This year we will focus on *Prayer: We Speak to God*, building on our recent look at the Lord's Prayer in worship. We will offer this in person, beginning **Monday**, **March 7**th, from 7:00 pm − 8:30 pm. We will also offer an online presentation of the study at the same time. The pastors will rotate back and forth between one week online and one week in person. To register for the online study, please speak to the pastors, or use our registration site: https://rsvp.church/r/aTJSxeNQ

LUTHERAN HOSPITAL MINISTRIES – SOUTHERN ALBERTA SOCIETY will hold its First Annual General Meeting, Saturday, **March 19, 2022** at 10:00 a.m. at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 66-7 Street NE. For additional information you can refer to the Office Notice on the bulletin board by the kitchen.

MISSION PRAYER: Deaconess Fatima Lopez serves the Lutheran Church in Matagalpa with Pastor Pedro Adolfo Quintero. 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 Lopez 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

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 37:23-24

The steps of a man are established by the Lord, when he delights in his way; though he fall, he shall not be cast headlong, for the Lord upholds his hand.



27th February 2022 TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY LISTEN TO JESUS



Caring Conversations

SHARE

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



What is the difference between hearing and listening? Why is it important to listen to others?



God the Father tells us to listen to his Son, Jesus (read Luke 9:34-35). What does it mean to listen to Jesus?



Devotions -





READ Daily Bible Readings

8	Luke 9:28-43	Jesus is transfigured
М	Exodus 34:29-35	The radiant face of Moses
Т	2 Corinthians 3:12 - 4:2	The new covenant
W	Matthew 6:1-6,16-21	Giving, praying and fasting
Т	Zechariah 7:4-10	Justice, mercy and compassion
F	Joel 2:1-2,12-18	A call to repentance
S	Psalm 99	The Lord reigns
8	Luke 4:1-13	The temptation of Jesus



TALK

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

Rituals and Traditions 🗸



PRAY

Lord God, reveal the glory of your Son to me. Give me ears to listen to him and eyes that look to him alone. Amen.



BLESS

May God's Spirit make you more and more like Christ,

Transfiguration sunday

WHITE is used in all festivals of our Lord, this represents the purity, majesty and splendour of God.

Creative Response

This coming Wednesday (March 6th) is Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. The association of the day with ashes goes back to the 6th century. For centuries, Christians have received ashes on the head as a reminder of mortality and a sign of sorrow for sin.

To mark the beginning of Lent, set aside a period of time this week to "unplug" from technology and luxuries. Choose not to watch TV, or to use computers and other electronic devices for leisure purposes. Eat simple foods and drink only water. Have a time of silence in your household during which you reflect on the gifts of God and your relationship with him.

If you are unable to attend a worship service on Wednesday, have a brief time of observance in your home. Prepare in advance a small bowl of ashes to use.

Bible readings: Genesis 3:19 and Mark 1:15

Prayer: Heavenly Father, as we enter the season of Lent today, we confess our need for a Saviour. Prepare our hearts and minds throughout this season so that we may grow in serving others, showing thanks for how your Son has loved and served us. Amen.

Leader: Let us mark one another with ashes as a sign of sorrow for our sin, and our trust in Jesus to save us.

Household members take turns in making the sign of the cross with ashes on one another's foreheads, saying these words: "Dust you are, and to dust you shall return. Repent and look to Jesus your Saviour."

Bible Reading: Psalm 103:13-14, 17

mealtime prayer

Lord God, please join us at this meal we pray, bless our food and work today. Make us reflections of your light, filled with what is good and right. Amen.



verse for the week

A voice came from the cloud. It said, "This is my Son, and I have chosen him. Listen to him."

LUKE 9:35



The day before Ash Wednesday is called Shrove Tuesday.

The name 'shrove' comes from the practice of being 'shriven' – going to church to confess your sins and receive absolution – before the start of Lent. Shrove Tuesday is also sometimes called Pancake Tuesday or Fat Tuesday, because households used up their remaining eggs and fats before Lent by making pancakes.

Observe Shrove Tuesday with a pancake breakfast or dinner. Perhaps invite another family to join you and as you eat, talk about what Jesus gave up for our sake and what you might wish to give up for Lent in spiritual preparation for Holy Week.

