

Foothills Lutheran Church

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



Sixth Sunday of Easter

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A Prayer Upon Entering: O Prince of Peace, provide us with the comfort and counsel that You alone can give. Quiet our minds with Your words of hope and soothe our aching bodies with Your healing touch. Grant us rest and renewal in Your loving embrace.

O blessed Lord, bless us with Your peace.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: As projected

HYMNS: 903; Thank We The Lord And Sing His Praise;
..... God of Wonders; Revelation Song: 849

FIRST LESSON: Acts 16:9-15

EPISTLE LESSON: Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27

GOSPEL LESSON: John 16:23-33

SERMON: *Traded Spaces* - Revelation 21:21-27

WELCOME TO YOU ALL! We are so glad that you have joined us on this special day, as we rejoice in the good news of the resurrection of Jesus, our Saviour. May this good news give you new and living hope for your life in Him. If it is your first time with us, help us to get to know you by signing our guest book, and introduce yourself to the Pastor. We hope that you will join us again as we worship and praise God for His goodness to us in Christ Jesus, our Saviour.

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
Ushers..... Heather Sommers; Brian Vincent

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "What the Bible Is For" Dr. Michael Zeigler outlines five principles to help us better hear what Scripture is saying. (1 Timothy 4:13) Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM and/or 1060 AM at 8:00 Sunday morning. Streaming audio and podcasts at www.lutheranhour.ca

THIS WEEK AT FLC

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| Monday | | Victoria Day <i>Office Closed</i> |
| Tuesday | 10:00 am | LifeLight Bible Study |
| | 7:15 pm | Ladies Bible Study |
| Wednesday | 1:30 pm | Ladies Bible Study |
| | 6:30 pm | Midweek Worship/Communion |
| Friday | | Youth Overnighter |
| Sunday | 9:00 am | Confirmation/Bible Study/Adult Info Class |
| | 10:15 am | Hymn Sing Sunday |

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

Family Focus:

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS

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| Weekly Offering Needs | \$8,288.46 | Our Budget Goal |
| Envelope Gifts Received Last Week | \$8,710.00 | \$431,000.00 |
| Envelope Gifts Received to Date | \$157,438.52 | +/- YTD |
| Total Offerings Needed to Date | \$165,769.23 | -\$8,330.71 |

Non-Budget and Miscellaneous Gifts: Plate 10.00; Visitor 210.00; Accounts Receivable 101.94.

LAST WEEK AT FLC

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| Week of: | Sunday/Communion | Wednesday | Education Hour |
| May 15 | 109/84 | 10 | 22 |

* Attendance numbers include online participants

WE EXTEND OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY and the glorious hope of the resurrection to Sharon and Dean Zeeben and family, at the death of Sharon's mother, Ruth Pudrycki. We pray that God would comfort them in these days and remind us again of the life that is ours through the resurrected and living Saviour, Jesus Christ.



HYMN SING SUNDAY: May 29th is the 5th Sunday of the month. As we have in the past, we will try to do this as a hymn sing Sunday. Share your requests with Pastor Bode or Pastor Eric by this coming Tuesday.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: “A Fiery Marvel” is the title of today’s lesson. Despite King Nebuchadnezzar’s directive to bow before his golden statue, three faithful Israelites ignore the order. In a burning rage, the king orders Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego to be tossed into a flaming furnace heated seven times hotter than usual. To the king’s astonishment, four men appear in the furnace, and Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego emerge unharmed—not even smelling of fire. Realizing the power of God, Nebuchadnezzar promotes these faithful men and praises the true God.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: LAMP

The Lutheran Association of Missionary Pilots (“LAMP”) believes the Gospel of Jesus Christ can heal and transform people and communities. LAMP has been providing spiritual witness and nurturing faith in communities in remote areas of northern Canada since 1970 through the ministry of pastor/missionary/pilots, and short and long-term volunteers-in-mission. Each year over 5,000 children, youth and adults are impacted by the ministry of LAMP.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION: This year’s program, “Jesus, Our Lifeguard” will run **July 4-8** in person, God willing! Through the week we will be looking at water rescues in the Bible, and the rescue from sin, death and the devil that we have through Jesus. Registration with forms available on the Welcome Desk or online at www.foothillslutheran.com/christianeducation/vbs. We are also looking for volunteer teachers, helpers, and games and craft leaders. If you are interested and available, please contact Deaconess Miriam or Pastor Eric.

MISSION PRAYER: Instructor Doris Melendez currently serves as an instructor of the faith in the community of Potosi at Lutheran Church Jesus the Good Shepherd, 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 Instructor Melendez 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**



CALLING ALL WESTERN FOLK! We are looking for volunteers for our Stampede breakfast on July 17. We still need team leads in some areas, as well as general volunteers to fill in all areas of positions! Please consider helping in this fun, one day event. Sign up on the Fellowship bulletin board or contact Sarah Knudtson (knudtson.sarah@gmail.com).



DEACONESS MIRIAM WILL BE AT THE SEMINARY BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING this coming Thursday and Friday. We pray for God's blessings on the work of our seminaries as they work to prepare servants for Jesus' sake.

YOU CAN HELP WITH OUR NOMINATION PROCESS! Once again, we are looking to you, the gifts that God gives His church, as we prepare for our elections meeting. Your nominations help us in our efforts. God has blessed us with differing gifts and abilities, so that we can come together to accomplish great things with His grace and strength. If you are asked to serve, we hope and pray that you will see this as a privilege and a blessing, as we serve the Lord together in joy. Nomination forms are available on the Welcome Desk.



WE'RE WORKING ON OUR ANNUAL REPORT as we look to our annual meeting and election meeting in June. We are still contemplating if we can do this after service on a Sunday, or whether we need to look at a different time. Watch for more information and for the Annual Report, as we work together for the sake of this congregation and our mission to the world.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: This past year, the Pregnancy Care Centre spoke to hundreds of junior and senior high school students about the steps to forming healthy relationships. Young people are interested to learn, and the Centre helps them understand, that they can make healthy choices, even with the pressures they face each day. Participating in the annual Baby Bottle campaign means more students can hear this vital message”.



AS WEEKENDS BECOME WARMER AND SUNNIER, we will see more and more people travelling, God blesses His people with those times of relaxation and enjoyment, but He always reminds us that He is our perfect rest. He also zealously invites us to take time to be with Him—yes, He even commands it for our good! As His trusting children, let us take time to gather with our Father in His house, around His Word and Sacraments. If you can't be here on Sunday, please remember that we have our midweek Wednesday services for that very reason.

SLO-PITCH TOURNAMENT: August 6-7 in Revelstoke, BC is the annual Regional Ball Tourney. We are looking for players of all skill levels. If you have friends or family members who would be interested to play invite them. This is a great way to play ball, get together in fellowship, and come together for a time of worship. Sign up outside of Pastor Eric's office or email him. You are also more than welcome to come and cheer us on if playing is not your interest.



YOU ARE INVITED

Sacred Convocation
2022

When: May 27 at 7:00 p.m.

Where: Concordia Lutheran Church
5420 19A Ave NW, Edmonton, AB

Can't make it in person?
Streaming live online at <https://youtu.be/N9pvnPb6sf4>

For more information:
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**CONCORDIA
LUTHERAN
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HAVE YOU CHECKED YOUR MAILBOX LATELY? As different items of interest come in (such as the *Canadian Lutheran*), we add them to your mailbox. Other members may add items such as cards or notes. Please check your box today! And if you don't have one, please let the office know. We have added some new mailboxes, so there may be information available for you, too.

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 139:9-10

If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.



Growing
FAITH
at home

22nd May 2022

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Life in the spirit

Caring Conversations



SHARE

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

1

Share about a good teacher or counsellor you know or have known. What did you like about them?

2

Jesus said the Holy Spirit is a counsellor and a teacher (John 14:26). What does this tell us about the Spirit?

3

Have you experienced the Spirit teaching or counselling you? Share your experiences.

Devotions



READ Daily Bible Readings

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| S | John 14:23-29 | The sending of the Counsellor |
| M | Acts 16: 9-15 | Lydia of Philippi believes in Jesus |
| T | Ezekiel 36:22-31 | The Spirit promised to Israel |
| W | Luke 12:8-12 | Jesus speaks of the Spirit |
| T | Acts 1:1-11 | Jesus taken up into heaven |
| F | John 13:36 – 14:4 | In the Father's house |
| S | Psalm 143 | May your Spirit lead me |
| S | John 17:20-26 | Jesus prays for the disciples |



TALK

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

Rituals and Traditions



PRAY

Holy Spirit, when we are afraid, give us courage and when we are worried, give us peace. Amen.



BLESS

May the Holy Spirit teach you all things.

Easter

In the season of Easter we celebrate how Jesus appeared to many after his resurrection. Jesus' resurrection has changed our lives forever. **WHITE** or **GOLD** are the colours of Easter and represent victory, resurrection and eternal life.

Creative Response

This Thursday (30th May) is Ascension Day which marks the last earthly appearance of the Lord Jesus after his resurrection.

Ascension Day falls on the 40th day after Easter Sunday. You can find the stories about it in Acts 1:1-12; Luke 24:50-53; Mark 16:19; Matthew 28:16-20.

Make time this week for a household outing to a park. Take a blanket to spread on the ground, then lie down and look at the sky.

Read one of the readings about the Ascension from a Bible or Bible storybook and talk about what it might have been like to see Jesus ascend to heaven.

Pray that you will be ready when he comes again.

mealtime prayer

Come, spirit of God, and on us rest, our table to grace, and our food to bless. Amen.

verse for the week

But the counsellor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

JOHN 14:26

Service



In Acts 16: 13-15 we read that Paul and his companions shared their faith with a woman named Lydia, whose job was selling purple cloths. As a result she became a Christian and was baptised. Pray for the people around you that do not yet know Jesus. Ask God to give you opportunities to share your faith through your words and actions. Place a piece of purple cloth on your meal table to remind you to pray for them.

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LIFE FROM GOD'S WORDS

