Foothills Lutheran Church

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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost July 31, 2022

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A Prayer Upon Entering: Help us, Lord, to be a neighbour to those in need--to stop and take notice, to work to bring healing and relief, and to give of ourselves and our possessions. May our love and care for others be a reflection of Your love and care for all.

Compassionate Lord, act in and through us.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE:	As projected
HYMNS:	594; 537; 789; 782; 660; 662; 618; 730
FIRST LESSON:	Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-26
EPISTLE LESSON:	
GOSPEL LESSON:	Luke 12:13-21
SERMON: Where's Your Head (and your Heart) At? - Colossians 3:1-4	

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 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
•	Robert Kubke; Ellen Wagner
	Tim & Sarah Knudtson

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "Hebel" Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler contrasts life's ephemeral nature with Christ's eternal hope (Ecclesiastes 12:8). 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

PLEASE NOTE: Work begins tomorrow on the painting of the sanctuary. This has been awaited since the old organ speakers were removed. We ask for your patience as this work goes on to beautify God's house, to His glory.

THIS WEEK AT FLC

Monday Heritage Day - Office Closed

Sanctuary Painting

Wednesday 6:30 pm Midweek Worship

Friday – Sunday Slo-Pitch Tournament, Revelstoke

Sunday 10:15 am Worship/Communion

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	\$10,390.00	\$431,000.00
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$247,886.68	+/ - YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$248,653.85	-\$767.17

Non-Budget and Miscellaneous Gifts: Visitor 840.00; Facility Rental 520.00; Organ Fund 55.00; VBS 32.65.

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of:	Sunday	Wednesday/Communion	Education Hour
July 24	106	17/15	7

^{*} Attendance numbers include online participants

PASTOR ERIC HAS RECEIVED A CALL to serve as the pastor of Calvary Lutheran Church in Thunder Bay, Ontario. Please keep Pastor Eric and Kayla in your prayers as he seeks to discern God's will for His church in these days. He welcomes your guidance as he contemplates his call here and the call to Thunder Bay. We also ask that you keep the congregation of Calvary, Thunder Bay in your prayers, that God may provide them with a faithful shepherd.

FOOT PRINT: We are looking ahead, and plan to publish the next issue of *Foot Print* by Labour Day. If you have information for the newsletter, especially for fall activities, please submit these to the office in the near future.

BEGINNING IN AUGUST, PASTOR BODE WILL BE ASSISTING as vacancy pastor for Redeemer Lutheran Church in Didsbury. With the approval of the Elders, he will be going to Didsbury on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month to lead Communion services. The Didsbury congregation will join us online once a month and have a lay service with a video sermon on the other Sunday. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we seek to be supportive of the needs of the church at large in these days.

MISSION OF THE MONTH CANADIAN LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS

Canadian Lutheran Bible Translators is the agency that provides for the work done by the Kuhns in Cameroon and others like them. While we support the Kuhns, there is a need to provide for the administration of the whole programme.

OUR WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES are focusing on the books of the minor prophets during these summer months. We did a similar look at the prison epistles and other epistles of Paul during the early days of COVID. We have just begun to look at Malachi. Come and join us as we continue this journey through God's Word. You can also join us online, and the previous studies are available on our Facebook page.

TRAVELLING ON THE WEEKENDS? Remember the importance of time in God's house, gathered around His Word. Our midweek service is a great way of being fed with God's life-giving Word.

We also hope you will remember that our bills and ministry costs continue in these days. When you are away, please set aside your regular gift for the Lord's Work. Let's stay on top of our budget needs! We've been falling behind this year; let's get back on track, remembering God's faithfulness in first giving to us.



KEY CONTROL: We are presently seeking to complete an audit of all church keys. We have had requests for keys, but we also seem to be missing a few. These are the keys for the main doors. This audit will ensure that our church records reflect the proper key holders.

If you have a key, please confirm that with the church office. Each key should be numbered, and we need to have that number, too. If you have a key, but no longer need it, please return it to the church office as soon as possible. We appreciate your assistance.

BABY BOTTLE UPDATE: After a two-year hiatus, this year's campaign was a phenomenal success! Thanks to you and Foothills participation, Calgary Pregnancy Care Centre have already raised almost \$125,000. We rely on your donations to fund the continued work of the Centre-providing care for young families in need in our community.



VBS REVIEW: We have a slide show presentation of the activities and classes of our VBS, "Jesus, Our Lifeguard". Stop and take a look as the pictures are displayed on the monitors in the narthex.

WHEN ARE WE "BACK TO NORMAL"? Throughout the COVID days, several parts of our worship have been different. One of them is the gathering of offerings. The other is our celebration of Holy Communion.

- ❖ The Elders have determined that our best practice for offerings will be to leave the plates at the back of the church and ask people to leave their envelopes in the plates as they enter or leave the church. With many of our members having switched to online e-transfers or pre-authorized debits, many would not have an offering to put "on the plate" on Sunday. We do encourage your faithful stewardship of gifts, especially as we enter the summer months. The plates will be brought forward during the service, but one will also be available to you, should you forget to leave it as you enter.
- ❖ Beginning the 3rd Sunday in September, we will again commune as tables at the altar. We will also be returning to the Common Cup at that time. You are encouraged to either kneel or stand, as you are comfortable. We will continue to practice the best sanitary conditions, as we always have done. We also remind you to fill out a Communion registration card each time you commune.
- ❖ Things such as greeters each week or the pastors greeting at the door will also wait until September.

Wednesdays will continue as they have. We're getting through all of this. Thanks be to God, for His delivering care!

PLANS FOR OUR FALL CONFIRMATION PROGRAM are underway, as we think of the students who will begin their time of deeper study into the Scriptures and the catechism, to know the blessings God gives us as His people. Our normal routine is to begin as students enter Grade Six. We'll soon be sending out letters of information, but you can also speak to the pastors or deaconess to enroll your child. Watch for the letter, and for a meeting for parents and students, as we look to the ways we can make this a blessing to the students and their families.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES: From ushering to hosting coffee; serving as greeters or as counters/financial stewards, there are many ways of serving the Lord and His people as we use our gifts together. Sunday School will soon begin again, and there are opportunities to serve through this ministry to children. God has given each and every one of us a gift to be used, as St. Paul says, "for the common good." (1 Corinthians 12:7, ESV) How is God calling you to serve?

PASTOR ERIC WILL BE LEADING A TEAM at the West Region Slo-pitch Tournament in Revelstoke next weekend. We pray that those involved have an enjoyable time of fellowship, and that God will grant safe travel to all participants.



AS STUDENTS PREPARE TO RETURN TO UNIVERSITY it is a good time to remind you of our Parking Policy for Student Parking. Using some of our spaces for student parking has always been a benefit to students but cannot impede the work we do as a church. We have established the following guidelines:

- A Priority Qualified Student ("PQS") is allowed a parking space at no charge. A PQS is a student attending the University of Calgary who is an active, communicant member of the church. (They attend and commune regularly.)
- A Qualified Student ("QS") is a student that is a member of Foothills Lutheran Church who is not active; however, their parents or grandparents are active as described above. A qualified student will be granted parking privileges at half the public rate (\$200.00 per semester).
- Remaining spaces (there is a limit of 32 available in total) will be rented to those who apply, at a cost of \$400.00 per semester.

Parking issues and concerns consume a great deal of time and energy. We have to police the lot, and that is also why we ask you to let us know if you are going to be here, even for a short time. Without controls, we cannot provide safety for everyone or even guarantee we have the parking we need for our programs and activities. If you are a student looking for parking in the fall, please contact the office in the very near future.

CHARITY GARAGE SALE EXTRAVAGANZA! A multi-family garage sale will be held on the long weekend at Maxine Abraham's garage, 640 Hunterfield Place NW (back lane). The hours are 9 - 4 on Saturday; noon - 4 on Sunday, and 9 - 4 on holiday Monday (Aug 1). In addition, we will have a preview sale, exclusive for church members/friends on Friday (July 29), 4 - 7 p.m.

We have plenty of inventory and variety, including books and vinyl records for your collection. Proceeds will be given to the Organ Fund here at Foothills. We look forward to seeing you on this Long Weekend! ~ Maxine Abraham

LEARNING FROM THE CATECHISM: The Sixth Commandment **You shall not commit adultery.**

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other. (Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation (p. 85). © 2017 CPH).



31st July 2022

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – PROPER 13

crumbling idols



SHARE

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



What is your most treasured possession? Why?



Jesus warned people about wanting to have more and more things. He said that life is not made up of how much a person has (Luke 12:15). What does faith in Jesus give us that money can't buy?



Devotions -





READ Daily Bible Readings

S	Luke 12:13-21	Parable of the rich fool
М	Colossians 3: 1-11	Living the new life
Т	Ecclesiastes 5:10-20	Worldly riches are meaningless
W	Isaiah 5:8-17	The greedy are doomed
Т	Luke 12:22-31	Trust God, not material things
F	1 Timothy 6:6-11,17-19	Love of money
S	Psalm 107: 1-9	For he satisfies
S	Luke 12:32-40	Seek treasures in heaven



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

Rituals and Traditions •



PRAY

Lord Jesus, help us to focus on the things of heaven, not the things of earth. Amen.



BLESS

May Jesus help you to know and follow his ways.



sundays after Pentecost

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

Creative Response

setting aside a portion of your income for church giving reminds us that God is the giver of all we have and puts him ahead of our spending on other things.

Talk together about how you determine your financial giving to the church and why it is important to give in this way.

If household members (including children of all ages) do not give regularly, decide on a practice that may help them to do so. Eg. set aside money on Saturday night for the Sunday morning offering.



mealtime prayer

Give us grace, 0 God, to be ever-thankful for your goodness, and ever-willing to help others in need. Amen.



LUKE 12:15



Being "rich towards God" (Luke 12:21) means growing in generosity towards those who are in need.

Decide together on a food item or recreational activity (e.g. rental of DVDs or movie outing) to forgo this week.

Set aside the money saved to donate to a charity organisation.



GrowMinistries