Foothills Lutheran Church

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Pastor Emeritus: Eldon Ohlinger

A Prayer Upon Entering: O Lord, You have taught us what it means to be truly rich and what it means to be truly poor. You have shown us that those who believe in You are rich and those who turn their backs on You are poor. May the faith now present within us make each of us truly rich men and women in this world and the next.

O Lord most high, may our lives be enriched by You.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

| ORDER OF SERVICE: | As projected |
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| HYMNS: 594; Lead Me to the Cross; 688; What | the Lord Has Done in Me; 861 |
| FIRST LESSON: | Amos 6:1-7 |
| EPISTLE LESSON: | |
| GOSPEL LESSON: | Luke 16:19-31 |
| SERMON: | |

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.

A NOTE ABOUT OUR OFFERINGS: We are blessed through the faithful stewardship of God's people. Many of our members have chosen to give their gifts either through pre-authorized payments or by e-transfer. If you wish to give your gifts to the Lord by e-transfer, you can do it through your online account. The transfer address is: financials@foothillslutheran.com.

Offering plates are at the door, both before and after service, for those who want to give their offerings in God's house. These will be brought to the altar during the service.

In all things, let us remember that we give from the bounty that our Lord first bestows upon us. Thanks be to Him for every good and perfect gift!

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

| Music | Miriam Winstanley; Contemporary Musicians |
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| • | Anne Marie Kothari; Heather Sommers |
| Coffee Team | Shirley Berdahl; Ellen Wagner |



THE FLOWERS this month are given in memory of Christine Heumann's mother, Dorothy, and grandmother, Helen who both died in September.

THIS WEEK AT FLC

| Monday | 1:00 pm | LWML |
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| Tuesday | 10:00 am | LifeLight |
| | 7:30 pm | Ladies Bible Study |
| Wednesday | 6:30 pm | Midweek Worship/Communion |
| | 7:30 pm | Choir Rehearsal |
| Thursday | 1:30 pm | Ladies Bible Study |
| Friday | 6:30 pm | Creation Ministries Presentation |
| Sunday | 9:00 am | Education Hour |
| | 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 | \$7,195.00 | \$431,000.00 |
| Envelope Gifts Received to Date | \$300,286.68 | +/ - YTD |
| Total Offerings Needed to Date | \$314,961.54 | -\$14,674.86 |

Non-Budget and Miscellaneous Gifts: Plate 28.00; Visitor 700.00; Student Residence 500.00; Benevolence 50.00; Organ Fund 500.00; Confirmation Recovery 30.00.

LAST WEEK AT FLC

| Week of: | Sunday/Communion | Wednesday | Education Hour |
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^{*} Attendance numbers include online participants



BAPTIZED INTO THE CHRISTIAN FAITH, and into God's family here at Foothills, is Beckett Oberhammer, son of Scott and Candice Oberhammer. We pray that God would bless Beckett and his family, and that He would keep him in His grace, poured out this day.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: In today's lesson, "The Temple Testimonies," God fulfills His promise as Jesus is born in Bethlehem. Forty days later, in keeping with the law, the family travels to Jerusalem's temple for Mary's purification and Jesus' presentation. There, they encounter Simeon, a devout Jew whose song of praise lives on in the Church today. Likewise, Anna, the aging prophetess, rejoices at the coming of the Savior.

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS: Crayons, scrap paper and busy bags are available on the bookshelves by the sanctuary doors for children to use during worship. We ask that Visitor envelopes and Communion cards be used only for their intended purpose.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Jesus wants us to take His Word seriously, not as a personal attack but as a word of warning—and promise (Luke 16:19-31). 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

MISSION OF THE MONTH Concordia Lutheran Mission Society ("CLMS")

There are so many opportunities for mission outreach that God has provided for us. We have various agencies within Lutheran Church—Canada who focus on different areas of mission, such as the LWML. The Concordia Lutheran Mission Society was by mission minded LCC individuals to encourage and expand the mission work beyond that which the Synod can do at present. While some of their efforts dove-tail with existing projects, they also look for the needs of the church. Your support helps in these efforts!

WE ARE AGAIN LOOKING FOR FINANCIAL STEWARDS to attend to the recording of Sunday offerings. We have been blessed through the service of members to help with this in the past. Let Carol know that you are willing to serve in this way.

AS WE RETURN TO PRE-COVID PRACTICES, it is important to review our ushering procedures. We will meet October 2nd for about 30-45 minutes. This is for all our present ushers, as well as anyone who would like to know more about ushering, or who would be willing to serve the church in this way. Come and join us, so that all that we do may be done decently, in order, and to the glory of God.

MISSION PRAYERS: Deaconess Neak Mav [Nee-ak] currently serves as the director of the Deaconesses ministry of Cambodia Lutheran Church and locally serves Preach Lutheran Church in Kampot Province of Cambodia. 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 Mav 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**

COVID PROTOCOL UPDATE ON FELLOWSHIP: I have been in conversation with the covid committee on health precautions going forward for the fall. The decision has been made to follow the general guidelines of the government and schools and begin our return to a pre-COVID procedure with coffee after service. You will now be able to help yourselves to goodies and condiments after the service. It also means that we will again be accepting donations of baked items! If you would like to donate something, please make sure that it is labelled so we know its intended purpose. Thank you in advance!

Sarah Knudtson (knudtson.sarah@gmail.com)

FROM YOUR BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: We are looking for a few volunteers to assist with the CMI event that is being held on **September 30th**. Help will be needed for the set-up, handing out surveys to those in attendance as they arrive, tending the resource table and assistance with serving coffee. Any homemade treats to serve for that evening would also be appreciated. Volunteers for set up would be needed at 5:30 pm while others could arrive at 6 pm. Please email education@foothillslutheran.com or contact the office if you are able to help out in any way.

HELP BEAUTIFY GOD'S ALTAR! Our flower chart has openings throughout October and November. Sign up for a week, and if the flowers are in memory of someone, or celebrating a special occasion, please let us know.

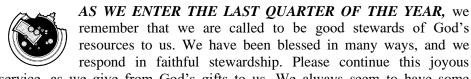
THANK YOU to the participants and fans who came out and supported last Sunday's FLC family baseball afternoon. We had some fun and were glad you could join us. Watch for other events to bring us together for some activities!

THE LIBRARY IS OPEN! Thank you to our volunteers Barb Vincent and Michelle Funke who have dedicated many hours preparing the library for the enjoyment of our congregation. There are resources available for every age so please come in and have a look. You will find the door open each Sunday morning during coffee time. If you have an interest in helping out in the library, either on a Sunday morning or sometime during the week, we welcome and appreciate your assistance. Just email education@foothillslutheran.com or contact the office.

LWMLC FOOTHILLS SOCIETY MEETING: Monday, **September 26th**, 1:00 -3:00 p.m. Pastor Bode will lead us in Bible Study and then we will have our business meeting. This is an in- person event and will be held in our Fellowship Hall. Tables will be set up to allow for social distancing and masks are optional. If you would like to socialize, come at 12:30 and bring your own lunch. All ladies are welcome!

CREATION MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL PRESENTATION: Foothills Lutheran Church along with the Board of Christian Education invite you to join us on **September 30**th for an evening with Creation Ministries. Gus Olsthoorn from CMI will be speaking to us on "Amazing Evidences for a Young Universe" and "Noah's Flood: The Catastrophe that Changed the World". The evening will begin **at 6:30 pm** and the presentation will be livestreamed on the Foothills Lutheran Church Facebook page. There will be a question and answer session, a free will offering to support the work of CMI, along with an opportunity to chat over coffee while viewing some of the Creation resources available for purchase. Credit card, debit, cheque or cash are accepted. Attendance is free and all are welcome. We hope to see you there.

WE HAVE SOME ITEMS AVAILABLE from the office, the library and from the preschool equipment that we are no longer using. Among those items are 2 metal storage cabinets that were designed for paper sorting but could be used for other purposes; two metal file cabinets, and bookcases in various sizes and various weights and a desk that is no longer used. If you are interested in any of these, or know someone who is, please contact the church office.



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!



25th September 2022

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - PROPER 21

Secret of being content

Caring Conversations

SHARE

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



Share about a time when you were in need and someone helped you.



How does God meet your needs?



What are the needs of people in your local community? What help is available to them? In what ways could you be more involved?





READ Daily Bible Readings

| s | Luke 16:19-31 | Poor Lazarus and the rich man | |
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| М | 1 Timothy 6: 6-19 | Don't put your hope in wealth | |
| Т | Proverbs 22:1-9,16 | The rich versus the poor | |
| w | Proverbs 28:11-28 | Helpers of the poor lack nothing | |
| Т | Ephesians 2:1-10 | God is rich in mercy | |
| F | Philippians 4:10-13 | The secret of being content | |
| s | Psalm 146 | The Lord loves the righteous | |
| s | Luke 17:5-10 | Faith the size of a mustard seed | |



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

Rituals and Traditions



PRAY

Lord Jesus, we are truly rich because of you. Help us to be generous to others. Amen.



BLESS

May God fill you with the richness of his love.

sundays after Pentecost

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

Creative Response

Paul urges Christians to 'be rich in good deeds and be generous and willing to share' (1 Timothy 6:18).

Consider these ideas for encouraging a giving spirit in your children:

Help neighbours. Look for opportunities to serve those around you, e.g. do some yard work for an elderly person, bake for someone, make a meal for a sick person.

Give blood. Take your children with you so they see you as a model for giving. Talk to them about why you choose to donate and what it will accomplish.

Make birthdays charitable. Promote birthdays as a time for giving to others. Encourage your children to give away used toys or books that are still in good condition as they receive new gifts.

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Care for animals. At regular intervals buy cat or dog food to donate to an animal shelter.

Pitch in. Commit as a household to be part of working bees at your church and to participate in church volunteer roles.

mealtime prayer

God, We're so blessed with what you've sent. May
we be thankful and content. Amen.



verse for the week

After all, we
brought nothing
With us when we
came into the world,
and we can't take
anything with us
when we leave
it. So if we have
enough food and
clothing, let us be
content.

1 TIMOTHY 6:7-8



Collect current news stories about people who are suffering from poverty or sickness. Talk about these situations in your home devotions this week.

Pray for the people affected. Is there any way you might be able to help them?

