

# Foothills Lutheran Church

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



GUARD THE  
**GOOD TREASURE**  
ENTRUSTED TO YOU II TIMOTHY 1:14

*Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost*

*October 2, 2022*

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**A Prayer Upon Entering:** May our faith be increased, O Lord, as we speak words of forgiveness in Your name, as we do amazing things according to Your bidding, and as we serve one another in the same manner in which You served us when You were on earth. May our faith truly be active and alive and growing stronger day by day.

*Faithful Savior, keep our hearts ever faithful to You.*

**OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** .....Divine Service One, p. 151

**HYMNS:** .....837; 587; 850; 392; 617; 732

**FIRST LESSON:**.....Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

**EPISTLE LESSON:** ..... 2 Timothy 1:1-14

**GOSPEL LESSON:** .....Luke 17:1-10

**SERMON:** *In The Midst of Things We Can't Understand (Hab 1:1-3, 2:1-4)*

**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.

**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](mailto: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**

Organist..... Deaconess Miriam Winstanley  
Acolyte.....Karl Wong  
Ushers..... Brian & Barb Vincent  
Coffee Team..... Bill & Erika Schultz; Heather Sommers



**THE FLOWERS** which beautify the altar today are given to the glory of God by Joan Copeland in loving memory of her husband, Tom.

**THIS WEEK AT FLC**

<b>Today</b>	11:45 am	Review of Ushering Practises
<b>Monday</b>	6:30 pm	Sunday School Teachers' Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:00 am	LifeLight
	6:30 pm	Elders
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship
	7:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Thursday</b>	1:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 am	Education Hour (no Sunday School)
	10:15 am	Thanksgiving Worship

**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

*In Hospital:*

*Homebound:*

*Family Focus:*

**WE EXTEND OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** and the glorious hope of the resurrection to the family of Mary Kutzan. We pray that God would comfort this family with His everlasting love. Mary's Christian funeral will be held at Foothills Lutheran Church on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am.

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "You've Got It In You"** Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. John Nunes. Faith in Christ is something that's in you, but you didn't put it there (2 Timothy 1:13-14). 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](http://www.lutheranhour.ca)

**LAST WEEK AT FLC**

<b>Week of:</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Wednesday/Communion</b>	<b>Education Hour</b>
Sep 25	151	22/20	37

\* Attendance numbers include online participants

**OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS**

Weekly Offering Needs	\$8,288.46	<b>Our Budget Goal</b>
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$4,070.00	
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$304,356.68	<b>+/- YTD</b>
<b>Total Offerings Needed to Date</b>	<b>\$323,250.00</b>	<b>-\$18,893.32</b>

**Non-Budget and Miscellaneous Gifts:** Plate 8.00; Visitor 230.00; Sunday School 14.00; Organ Fund 50.00; Flowers 60.00; NYG Recovery 94.36.

**OUR ORGAN FUND** loan balance has been paid off in full. Thank you to all who contributed their time and funds.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** In today's lesson, "His Father's House," Jesus' parents travel to Jerusalem as they do each year for the Passover. Returning home, Mary and Joseph notice Jesus' absence, yet they assume He is among the others in their traveling group. When He doesn't appear, they return to Jerusalem, searching desperately for three days. They finally find Jesus in the temple, talking with the teachers, who are amazed at His understanding. Despite being in His "Father's house" (Luke 2:49), Jesus honors His earthly parents and returns to Nazareth with them.

**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.



**UPCOMING CONFIRMATION DINNER:** Finally, after two years of cancellations with our celebratory dinner, this year we have 4 new Catechumens that are ready to be confirmed on Reformation Sunday with a wonderful dinner beforehand (October 27). This year we would like to invite

all of these present and past families who missed their celebration to come together to bless the momentous occasion, which means that we will have about 6 families dining that evening. We need some help! Would you be willing to give of your gifts in this way? We already have some very capable leaders in the kitchen, but we need some extra hands. If that sounds like something you can do, please contact Sarah Knudtson ([knudtson.sarah@gmail.com](mailto:knudtson.sarah@gmail.com)) or the office. Thank you for helping us make this a special time for our catechumens!

### **MISSION OF THE MONTH: BC Mission Boat**

A group of people living on Vancouver Island, had a vision to build a boat in 1999 and travel to remote parts of the BC Coast to share the love of Jesus Christ with people living in remote communities. Between the years 2000 and 2010, they did this by taking teams in a boat to each community. Since that time the BC Mission Boat Society takes teams using various modes of transportation including car, water taxi and ferry to these communities. Various teams from all over Canada and the USA join us throughout the year to offer kid's club, men's and women's bible studies, family games nights, elder breakfasts and spa nights for the people living in the communities we travel to. Our hope is to encourage believers in the communities and share the love of our Saviour to the people.

**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.

**AS WE RETURN TO PRE-COVID PRACTICES**, it is important to review our ushering procedures. We will meet **today** 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.

Labor of  
**LOVE**

**IT IS WITH SADNESS IN OUR HEARTS** that we acknowledge the closing of our preschool. While we have not operated the preschool throughout COVID, we will recognize the work of those involved in this ministry and give thanks to God for His blessings as we have a formal time of closure. When we begin a ministry in the church, we dedicate it to the glory of God and seek His blessings. When we come to an end, we give thanks for all He has given to us. This will be part of our worship on **October 16<sup>th</sup>**. We hope you will be with us as we thank the faithful servants in the preschool and as we thank God for using this ministry to share His love and grace with the children who came to us over the years.

**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](mailto:knudtson.sarah@gmail.com))

**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.

## **LIBRARY**

**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](mailto:education@foothillslutheran.com) or contact the office.

**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 metal storage cabinets that were designed for paper sorting but could be used for other purposes; metal 5-drawer file cabinets, and bookcases in various sizes and various weights, as well as a desk that is no longer used. If you are interested in any of these, or know someone who is, please let us know by Tuesday, as we have an opportunity to clear some items this week.

**HOMESTAYS FOR UKRAINIAN EVACUEES:** The Centre for Newcomers is seeking your assistance in finding Homestays for Ukrainian evacuees. Calgary is a preferred city of choice for arrivals from the war in Ukraine. The flow of evacuees to Calgary does not appear to be slowing. If you can host Ukraine arrivals in your home, we would very much like you to register your home at <https://refugeeshousedhere.ca/registration/register-as-a-host/>. You can also email the Centre for Newcomers at: [n.shen@centrefornewcomers.ca](mailto:n.shen@centrefornewcomers.ca).

To become a host home, we simply require registration, a security check, and a tour (can be a video tour) of your home to ensure we can make an appropriate match to a person or a family. A person from the Centre for Newcomers will also be able to answer any of your questions about becoming a host home. Host homes are required as soon as possible. Thank you.

**YOUTH:** We remind you that we do have a gathering at the church on **October 14<sup>th</sup>** at 7 p.m. Watch your email for more information and the plans for our gathering together.



# Growing FAITH at home

2nd October 2022

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER  
PENTECOST – PROPER 22

Faith that overcomes

## Caring Conversations



SHARE

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

1

Have you ever planted a seed and watched it grow? Describe what happened.

2

Why is it sometimes difficult to trust God in hard times?

3

Jesus compared faith to a small seed. In what ways is faith like a seed?



## Devotions



READ Daily Bible Readings

<b>S</b>	Luke 17:5-10	Faith the size of a mustard seed
<b>M</b>	Mark 11:12-14,20-24	Faith that moves mountains
<b>T</b>	2 Timothy 1: 1-14	Fan into flame the gift of God
<b>W</b>	1 John 5:1-5,13-15	Faith overcomes the world
<b>T</b>	James 1:2-12	Faith produces endurance
<b>F</b>	Lamentations 3: 19-26	I have hope
<b>S</b>	Psalm 37: 1-9	Hope in the Lord
<b>S</b>	Luke 17:11-19	One leper gives thanks to God



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, help us not to be afraid to tell others about you. Give us a spirit of power, love and self-control. Amen.



BLESS

(Name) Child of God, receive the crown of life that God has promised.

Sundays after Pentecost

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

## Creative Response

Fill a container with potting soil and plant some flower seeds (at least one for each member of your household).

Place the container on your mealtime table or home altar area.

Each day pray for each member of your household by name, asking God to grow them in faith.

Watch your flower pot for signs of life.

Tend to the plant as you tend to your faith.



### mealtime prayer

Thanks we give to God above, for strength and health and those we love. Amen.

verse for the week

For the spirit  
God gave us  
does not make  
us timid, but  
gives us power,  
love and self-  
discipline.

2 TIMOTHY 1: 7

## Service



Plant some seeds. Watch carefully for signs of life! (Hint: alfalfa grows quickly on cotton wool!)

There are many people in our churches who serve as mustard seeds – they do many little things that others may not notice but add up to making a big difference.

Think of someone in your congregation who fits this description. Prepare a small gift of appreciation to give them.