

Foothills Lutheran Church

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



Thanksgiving Sunday

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A Prayer Upon Entering: "Only one returned," the Bible says. May we return to You, O Lord, even when others may not. May we return to You with joy and gladness and gratitude in our hearts of all that You have done. May returning to You in prayer and in worship be something we look forward to doing day after day.

O waiting Lord, welcome us when we return to You.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: As projected
HYMNS: Our God Saves; Because of Your Love; How Great is our God;
..... Your Love Never Fails; Forever
FIRST LESSON:..... Ruth 1:1-19a
EPISTLE LESSON: 2 Timothy 2:1-13
GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 17:11-19
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..... Contemporary Musicians
Ushers..... Elfrieda Heiden; Anne Marie Kothari
Coffee Team..... Ingrid Kubke; Robert Kubke



THE FLOWERS which beautify the altar today are given to the glory of God by Loleta Ziprick and family in loving memory of her husband, Harold, whose birthday was October 4th.

THIS WEEK AT FLC

Monday		Thanksgiving – Office Closed
Tuesday	10:00 am	LifeLight
	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday	11:00 am	Mary Kutzan Funeral
	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship/Communion
	7:30 pm	Choir
Thursday	1:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
Friday	7:00 pm	Youth Crafty Night
Sunday	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Worship/Communion

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

- In Hospital:**
- Homebound:**
- For Special Intercession:**
- Family Focus:**



WE EXTEND OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY and the glorious hope of the resurrection to Phil and Cheryl Lemke and their families at the passing of Phil’s mother, Adeline Lemke. We pray that God would comfort the bereaved with His everlasting love.

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

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of:	Sunday/Communion	Wednesday	Education Hour
Oct 2	122/89	18	24

* Attendance numbers include online participants

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS

Weekly Offering Needs	\$8,288.46	Our Budget Goal
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$5,730.00	
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$310,086.68	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$331,538.46	-\$21,451.78

Non-Budget and Miscellaneous Gifts: Visitor 160.00; Sunday School 2.00; BC Mission Boat 40.00; CLWR 75.00; Concordia Lutheran Mission 25.00; Concordia Seminary 75.00; LWML 95.00; Organ Fund 381.00; Flowers 100.00.



Thanksgiving

“Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!” (Psalm 118:1, ESV)

We are so blessed through God’s goodness. Health, loved ones, shelter, food, and all we have and enjoy flow from His love. We have this, and so much more—infinity more. Take them all away, and we still have the grace of God which is with us in want as well as in plenty. He comes to us when we have nothing and gives us the gift of His perfect righteousness. God is the source of every good and perfect gift. As you celebrate this weekend, give that extra word of thanks to Him, for all His goodness!

SUNDAY SCHOOL: No Sunday School class was held this morning. Students are asked to consider the blessings that God has given them. God has not only created us, He continues to take care of us. Take time as a family to look at the Explanation of the First Article of the Apostles’ Creed. Talk together about the ways that your Heavenly Father continues to take care of you, not only through the things He gives, but also through the people He puts in your life. Remember how He does this, not because we deserve it, but all in His grace and mercy. A blessed Thanksgiving to you all!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: **“Thankfulness, eh?”** Guest Speaker: Rev. Cody Cooper. It’s only right to be thankful for what we have and what we are. The question is, to whom are we thankful? (Luke 17:11-19). 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



UPCOMING CONFIRMATION DINNER: Finally, after two years of cancellations with our celebratory dinner, this year we have 4 new Catechumens who 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) 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.

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 16th**. 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.

LCC 2022 CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS NOW AVAILABLE: The Proceedings include the Convention minutes, resolutions, election results, sermons, as well as other reports presented at the synodical convention. You can find them on the LCC website:

https://www.lutheranchurchcanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/11/2022/09/01-2022-Proceedings-2_compressed-1.pdf

FELLOWSHIP: The Board of Fellowship is looking for some more people to help out with coffee teams after services on Sundays. We need three people to make a team (two if you're confident!), but even if you don't have a group together we can use you! Please contact the office or Sarah Knudtson (knudtson.sarah@gmail.com) if you have any questions about volunteering.

We are also looking for a steady stream of treats to enjoy after services to go with the coffee. We are asking that the congregation as a whole help out in donating items so that the volunteers do not have the extra pressure of also supplying these goodies. If you don't feel that serving is your area of strength but you are wanting to help, please feel free to donate purchased or homemade goodies to the kitchen (with a label for it's purpose).

YOUTH: We remind you that we do have a gathering at the church on **October 14th** at 7:00 pm. Watch your email for more information and the plans for our gathering together.

LUTHERAN HOSPITAL MINISTRIES: We are pleased to announce that there will be visitor training courses for those interested in becoming visitors with LHM-SAS or for those who just want to learn to become better listeners! Mark your calendar for Saturday, **October 22nd** from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. If this initial session piques your interest there will be subsequent training sessions on October 29 and November 12 at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 66-7th St. NE Calgary. Bring a pen, a Bible, and a bagged lunch. To register for these training sessions or if you have questions, please contact Pastor Mark Rekken at 780-718-4472 or pastor@princeofpeace.ca.

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.

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.

ESTATE CLEAROUT: Garage/House sale for Maxine and the late Ed Abraham, 640 Hunterfield Place NW; Saturday, Sunday and Monday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. Proceeds to the Lutheran Hour and Canadian Lutheran World Relief for hurricane aid.



Growing
FAITH
at home

9th October 2022
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST – PROPER 23
Giving thanks

Caring Conversations



SHARE

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

1

What's the best gift you have ever received?

2

What gifts have you received from God that you are thankful for?

3

How do you express your thankfulness to God?



Devotions



READ Daily Bible Readings

S	Luke 17:11-19	One leper gives thanks to God
M	Colossians 2:6-15	Overflowing with thankfulness
T	Deuteronomy 8:10-18	Remember the Lord your God
W	1 Samuel 2:1-10	Hannah's prayer of thanksgiving
T	1 Chronicles 16:1,7-36	King David gives thanks
F	Psalms 100	Enter his gates with thanksgiving
S	Psalms 66: 1-12	See what God has done
S	Luke 18:1-8	Parable of the persistent widow



TALK

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

Rituals and Traditions



PRAY

Lord Jesus, you have given us so much. Please give us thankful hearts. Amen.



BLESS

May God show you his kindness and mercy and fill your heart with thanks.

Sundays after Pentecost

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

Creative Response

When Jesus healed ten lepers, only one returned to give him thanks (Luke 17:11-19). As God's people, we are called to count our blessings each day and give thanks to God.

Think together about people, events and experiences for which you can and should give thanks. Use this acrostic of the word THANKS to guide you.

Thank God for:

a **T**hing provided;

a **H**elp received;

Another's company;

an e**N**joyable moment;

a **K**indness received;

a **S**urprise enjoyed.

Finish your time of sharing by giving thanks in prayer.

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God of grace, for food make us thankful, for friends make us joyful, and for your service make us faithful. Amen.

verse for the week

Come and see
what our God
has done, what
awesome miracles
he performs for
people.

PSALM 86:5

Service



Only one of the ten lepers healed returned to give thanks to Jesus. There are many people who serve us in various ways in our communities – in schools, churches, community organisations, service industries – who receive little thanks for what they do.

Prepare a thank you card or gift (e.g. a plate of biscuits) to give to someone who serves your household in some way (e.g. policeman, school teacher). Give thanks to God for them in your prayers this week.

