

Foothills Lutheran Church

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



Zacchaeus!
HURRY AND COME DOWN

L U K E 1 9 : 5

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

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A Prayer Upon Entering: May we, O Lord, humble ourselves in Your presence. May we bow before You in reverence. May we come before You ready to repent and ready to receive Your forgiveness.

Lord of the Church, bless the prayers of Your people.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: As projected
HYMNS: 794; One Thing Remains; 605; Our God; 763
FIRST LESSON: Genesis 4:1-15
EPISTLE LESSON: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 18:9-17
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; Deaconess Miriam Winstanley
Ushers..... Carter Stene; Jaxson Stene
Acolyte..... Isaac Kraft
Lector..... Stacey Bablitz
Coffee Team..... Eden, Sarah & Tim Knudtson

THIS WEEK AT FLC

Today	11:30 am	Sunday School - Money & Me
Monday	1:00 pm	LWML
	7:00 pm	PPC
Tuesday	10:00 am	LifeLight
	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship/Communion
Thursday	5:00 pm	Confirmation Dinner
Friday	7:00 pm	Youth Laser Tag
Sunday	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Reformation Sunday/Communion

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

Family Focus:

SUNDAY SCHOOL: The account of Jesus clearing the temple serves as today's lesson, "A Temple Cleansing." Merchants and money-changers fill the outer courts of the temple in preparation for the Passover. Jesus overturns the tables and drives out the animals in His zeal to restore the temple to its proper purpose. When the Jews question His authority, Jesus tells them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up" (John 2:19). Only after His resurrection do the disciples realize that Jesus was referring to His body as the new temple.

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.

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of:	Sunday/Communion	Wednesday	Education Hour
Oct 16	148/92	14	35

* 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	\$7,588.00	
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$326,279.68	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$348,115.38	-\$21,835.70

Non-Budget and Miscellaneous Gifts: Visitor 380.00; Sunday School 17.00; FLSR 500.00; BC Mission Boat 30.00; CLWR 100.00 (50.00 Ukraine Relief; \$50.00 Hurricane Relief) LWML 100.00; Benevolence 50.00; Flowers 50.00.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "He Gets Me" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. It might sound strange to regard God as a friend, and the more fear, awe, and respect you have for God, the stranger it gets. (Luke 18:9-14). 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

LARGE PRINT HYMNS AND SERVICE are available for your use. Please pick one up from the tables at the back of the sanctuary or ask an usher for a copy.

THANK YOU to Maxine Abraham who supplied, planted and weeded our flower beds this year. God's beautiful colorful flowers always lifted our spirits.



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!



PIE FELLOWSHIP HOUR TODAY: Please join us after the service for a piece of pie and to show your gratitude and appreciation for the church workers in our congregation.

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.

FOUND: Two items of interest have been turned into the office – a child's gold bracelet and a small Living Bible in a leather pouch. If they are yours, stop at the office to claim them.

LWMLC FOOTHILLS SOCIETY MEETING MONDAY 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!



PRAISE BE TO GOD FOR OUR CATECHUMENS! We rejoice with the young people who will make their vows of faithfulness and confession on our Confirmation Sunday—Reformation Day, October 30th. We also have one student who will be confirmed on November 6th. As we look to that day, we ask for your prayers for our young people. We also hope you will show your support and love for these new communicant members as we worship with them that day. The students will present their testimonies of faith as part of our worship. As we celebrate the Reformation it is good to hear these young people share that conviction that comes through grace alone, faith alone, and Scripture alone.

WE ALSO HAVE NEW ADULT CONFIRMANDS as well as others who have joined our church through transfer and profession of faith. We will formally welcome these blessings from God in the near future.

PASTOR BODE is preaching in Didsbury this morning.

YOUTH: Remember to check your email for more information on the laser tag activity set for Friday, **October 28th**.

PEROGY BEE IS BACK!: Saturday, **November 26th**. More details will follow closer to the date. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board near the Fellowship Hall. Contact Kelly Dueck with any questions you may have.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM FELLOWSHIP: Do you enjoy coffee time after church? Do you like the sweets and snacks provided? Going forward, the fellowship budget will no longer be covering the cost of snacks. Instead, we will be relying on **donations** from the congregation. So, if you're wondering why there are no nibbles to go along with your "cup'o'jo" on a given Sunday, it may be that no one has stepped up to supply anything. If you enjoy having snacks and treats, consider donating something every couple of months. If everyone does this, then we will have plenty!

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX CAMPAIGN has begun! Boxes and pamphlets are now available on the table outside Deaconess Miriam's office. Completed boxes should be left on this table also. If you are contributing to the cost of shipping, a cheque can be included in the box, or that donation can be done online. **If you wish to donate cash to put together a box for this campaign, please do so directly to Samaritan's Purse** and they will assemble shoeboxes on your behalf. We thank you for your donations to this campaign as we are "Connecting People with Christ through Worship, Relationships & Service". More info to come on the deadline for completed boxes. ~ Christine Heumann



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PARDON ME SIR ... WE ARE JUST A FEW MINUTES OUT FROM THE BENEDICTION AND I NEED YOU TO RETURN YOUR PEW TO ITS FULL, UPRIGHT POSITION



Growing FAITH at home

23rd October 2022

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
- PROPER 25

Humble yourself

Caring Conversations



SHARE

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

1

Have you ever felt abandoned by a friend? What happened?

2

What does it mean to "stand by" others?

3

Even when his friends abandoned him, Paul writes that "The Lord stood by my side and gave me strength" (2 Timothy 4:16-17). What do you need God's strength for?

Devotions



READ Daily Bible Readings

S	Luke 18:9-14	A Pharisee and tax collector pray
M	Matthew 23:1-12	Jesus teaches about humility
T	Philippians 2:1-11	Imitating Christ's humility
W	Matthew 6:5-13	Jesus teaches about prayer
T	James 4:6-10	Humble yourselves before God
F	2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18	Fight the good fight
S	Psalms 84: 1-7	How lovely is your dwelling place
S	Luke 19:1-10	Jesus visits Zacchaeus



TALK

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

Rituals and Traditions



PRAY

God, have mercy on us, for we are sinners. Amen.



BLESS

May the Lord give you strength to share his good news with others.



Sundays after Pentecost

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

Creative Response

Use one or more of these suggestions for your home devotional times this week:

- The Reformation was sparked when Martin Luther posted 95 theses (or statements) of belief on the doors of a church in Wittenberg, Germany in 1517. Compose a numbered list of "we believe" statements for your household. Attach the list to the front door of your home as your Reformation statement.
- In 1521 Martin Luther was required to explain and defend his beliefs before the Emperor at a Diet (or Assembly) in the city of Worms. When asked to take back his words he said "Here I stand. I can do no other". Talk together about what is involved in taking a stand for Jesus. Then trace the footprints of household members on pieces of card and cut these out. On each one write these words from 1 Corinthians 15:58: "Stand firm. Don't let anything move you. Always give yourselves completely to the work of the Lord." Position the footprints on floors of your house as reminders of the call to stand up for Jesus.
- Learn the words and tune of the classic Reformation hymn "A Mighty Fortress is our God."

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We thank you for our food, O God, for life and joy and play. We thank you for the special things you give to us this day. Amen.

verse for the week

If you put yourself above others, you will be put down. But if you humble yourself, you will be honoured.

LUKE 18:14B

Service



In 2 Timothy 4, Paul writes of his experience of being deserted by others, of feeling alone.

Be the hands and feet of Christ, reaching out to the lonely in your area. Invite someone who lives alone or who is new to your community to a picnic in a park or to go for a walk together.

