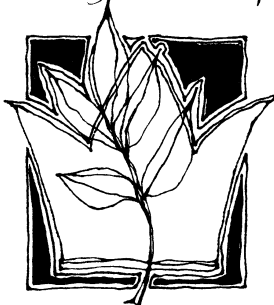


Foothills Lutheran Church

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

CHRIST^{the} KING



**I WILL RAISE
UP FOR DAVID
A RIGHTEOUS
BRANCH AND
HE SHALL
REIGN AS
KING AND
DEAL WISELY
AND EXECUTE
JUSTICE AND
RIGHTEOUSNESS**

J E R E M I A H 2 3 : 5

Last Sunday of the Church Year

November 20, 2022

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A Prayer Upon Entering: Thank you, Lord, for entrusting us with Your precious gifts. May we utilize the gifts You have given us to their fullest potential. And may nothing You provide be put to waste.

God, our Master, help us to live as Your good and faithful servants.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: Divine Service Setting One; p. 151
HYMNS: 802; 516; 656; 348; 750; 832
FIRST LESSON:..... Malachi 3:13-18
EPISTLE LESSON: Colossians 1:13-20
GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 23: 27-43(
SERMON: *It's Worth It!* (Malachi 3:14-18)

WELCOME! It is a joy to have you with us today, especially the visitors who have joined us this morning. We gather together this day to be fed with the life-giving word of God. If you are visiting with us today, we hope you will join us again and find the joy, peace and life we have as God's people. We also hope you will sign our guest book at the back of the church.

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.

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!

HAVE YOU CHECKED YOUR MAILBOX LATELY? Recent copies of the Canadian Lutheran have been added. We always appreciate you keeping up to date with information that may be shared by others!

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Organist..... Deaconess Miriam Winstanley
Ushers..... Barb & Brian Vincent
Acolyte.....Eva Kraft
Coffee Team.....Ingrid Kubke; Robert Kubke

THIS WEEK AT FLC

Monday	7:00 pm	PPC
Tuesday	10:00 am	LifeLight
	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship
Thursday	1:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
Friday	2:00 pm	Advent Tea at the Manor
	6:15 pm	Youth Laser Tag
Saturday	9:00 am	Perogy Bee
Sunday	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Worship/Communion

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

Family Focus:

THE ALTAR FLOWERS that beautify the altar for the remainder of November are given to the glory of God by Donna Poirier in loving memory of her parents, Cliff and Ruth Oberhammer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: As we gather today, we will study “The Poolside Sign.” For thirty-eight years, a paralyzed man has lain by the pool of Bethesda, hoping to enter it and receive healing. Jesus asks if he desires healing and then tells the man to take up his bed and walk. When the Jews see the man carrying his bed on the Sabbath, they question him about who told him to do this, but the man doesn’t know who Jesus is. After encountering Jesus at the temple, the man reports back to the Jewish leaders, who persecute Jesus.

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of:	Sunday	Wednesday/Communion	Education Hour
Nov 13	105	14/10	12

* 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	\$10,645.00	
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$352,197.68	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$381,269.23	-\$29,071.55

Non-Budget and Miscellaneous Gifts: Visitor 1,040.00; Sunday School 6.00; Facility Rental 1,500.00; CLWR 262.00; Inn from the Cold 90.00; LWML 25.00.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "Where It All Comes Together" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. John Nunes. We see division and discord all around us, but there is one place where it all comes together—the fullness of God in the person of Jesus Christ. (Colossians 1:19-20). Hear this inspirational message on CHR 1140 AM and/or 1060 AM at 8:00 Sunday morning. Streaming audio and podcasts at www.lutheranhour.ca

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



DECEMBER 2ND ADVENT TEA AND TALENTS: Come Friday, December 2nd at 6:30 pm for an Advent Tea and Talents Activity event! This will be for everyone - activities for the

kids, goodies to share, and talents on display! Start thinking of any talent you can share with our church family: reading a poem, displaying artwork, playing waterglasses, gymnastics display, ballet routine, family skit, musical instrument, singing or whatever you can come up with! We would love to have your submission. It's all for fun and fellowship! Bring ½ dozen of your favourite cookies or squares to share. Sign up on the Fellowship Board or contact Sarah Knudtson.

OUR STREAMED MIDWEEK SERVICES have seen lower and lower attendance, and we are considering going to a recorded service, posted later. We will be continuing the present schedule until the new year. If you have concerns or comments, please speak to the pastors or the elders. We truly will benefit from your input.

MISSION OF THE MONTH

INN FROM THE COLD

Homelessness is a problem in Calgary, and like the Mustard Seed, Inn from the Cold seeks to help. Other programs work on support and prevention.

Inn from the Cold started when a number of downtown churches met to decide how to help the homeless. It provides shelter and hope to homeless families and others in need.



Families and single people are housed in the permanent facility (purchased in 2008) or churches, community centres, etc. Many families come to the Inn with nothing but the clothes on their backs. We are asking for donations again this year to support this organization in meeting the needs of their guests this Christmas season. Donated items can be placed in the box marked Inn from the Cold and is located next to the food bank box.



PURDY'S CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER: To help support youth group trips like the 2023 IMPACT Youth Gathering in BC next summer, we will be selling chocolates from Purdy's, and they will be delivered in time for Christmas! Purdy's has a great selection of Christmas goodies, boxed chocolates, and sugar-free chocolate. Brochures are available on the Information Centre. You can order online at <https://fundraising.purdys.com/814849-96920> and pay with a credit card. **The order/payment deadline is November 27.** Orders will be available for pick up on Sunday, December 11. Thank you for your support!

THERE ARE MANY NEEDS IN OUR CONGREGATION where we would be blessed through the help and service of God's people, working together to be a blessing to one another. We are looking for people to serve as:

Vice President PPC

Co-chair Human Care Ministries

Recording Secretary

Altar Flowers

Meals on Wheels drivers

Counters

Altar Guild (Communion set-up, changing paraments)

Additional coffee team members and food donations

Is God leading you to help in these ways? Speak to the pastors or Deaconess Miriam, and we will put you in touch with those who will be blessed through your help!



GIFTS FROM THE HEART: When communities are devastated by disaster, drought or conflict, your gifts provide life-saving support as families get through crisis and begin to recover. Everywhere the Canadian Lutheran World Relief works, the response is guided by the voices of the people they serve. Visit

www.clwr.org/GFTH to learn more.



The Season of
Advent

THE SACRED SEASON OF ADVENT is upon us and we look forward in joyful expectation to the Lord who comes to save His people. We invite you to make our midweek Advent Services a special part of this preparation. Services are Wednesdays, at 6:30 pm and we will begin with soup suppers at 5:30. Our theme is **Christmas Cross-words**. God's promises shine through in the words of the prophet Isaiah. We will look at these wonderful words and see how the cross comes through several themes we will 'intersect' in the text. We hope you will be with us for this special time of preparation and devotion!

A CALENDAR OF OUR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE is available to you on the welcome desk. These outline the special services of the season and are also a reminder of what we celebrate. They are also a simple way to share with a friend, to invite them to join us. Pick up a copy today.

We also have Advent devotional booklets, entitled "A Son is Given". Pick up a copy on the welcome desk.

SOUP SIGN-UP: If you are someone who loves to make soup for the cold winter months, consider making an extra pot for one of our 5:30 pm Advent suppers. The sign-up sheet is located on the Fellowship bulletin board in the Narthex.



THE NEW OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2023 will be available soon. As we draw near to the end of the year, we want to use the blessings God provides to complete the work we do together through our tithes and offerings. God has blessed us to be a blessing, and provides for us, so that we may use His gifts to His glory. We encourage your faithful stewardship. If you need a set of offering envelopes, please let the office know **OR** if you wish to contribute via Interact transactions, in which case you will no longer need a set of envelopes, please let the office know, preferably before December 1st.

MISSION PRAYER: Deaconess Va Savet currently serves Kampot Lutheran Church. **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 Savet 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**





Growing
FAITH
at home

20th November 2022

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST – PROPER 29

King of Kings

Caring Conversations



SHARE

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

1

Imagine that a king is coming to your house today. How will you prepare for his visit?

2

How is Jesus like an earthly king? How is he different?

3

What does it mean to have Jesus as your King?



Devotions



READ Daily Bible Readings

S	Luke 23:33-43	Christ the crucified king
M	Matthew 2:1-6	The one born king
T	Luke 19:28-38	Blessed is the king
W	Colossians 1:11-20	Christ is supreme
T	Revelation 19:11-16	King of kings, Lord of lords
F	1 Timothy 6:11-16	Fight the good fight
S	Psalms 24	The king of glory comes
S	Matthew 24:36-44	The sudden coming of salvation



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,
King of kings,
come and rule
over us. Amen.



BLESS

May God make you
patient and strong,
so that you never
give up.

Sundays after Pentecost

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

Creative Response

This is the last week of the church year. Next Sunday we enter Advent.

Take some time to share household memories of your involvement in the church this past year.

- *What were some highlights?*
- *What did you learn this last year?*
- *In what ways did you grow?*
- *Whom did you get to know better?*
- *Whom were you blessed by or through?*

Share your hopes for your involvement in the church in this coming year.

Say a prayer of thanks for your church and for God's work in and through it over the last 12 months.

mealtime prayer

Lord of lords and King of kings, to you our thanks and praise we bring, for health and food and all you give, for every moment that we live. Amen.

verse for the week

For he has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son, who purchased our freedom and forgave our sins.

COLOSSIANS 1:13-14

Service



As this church year ends, plan to say thank you to those in the church who have served you in God's name - pastors, lay ministry staff, church leaders, musicians, program leaders etc.