

# Foothills Lutheran Church

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

HE IS  
RISEN.  
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RISEN  
INDEED  
ALLELUIA

*The Resurrection of Our Lord*

*April 9, 2023*

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**A Prayer Upon Entering:** O Jesus Christ, now risen from the dead, break through the walls of death around us, and shatter all our fears about the future. Take us into Your arms. Hold us forever in Your embrace. And bring us at last to the joy of life everlasting.

*Risen Saviour, carry us forward from this life to the next.*

### **OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** ..... As projected

**HYMNS:** ..... My Redeemer Lives; 457; 465; Christ Is Risen; 475; 463; 482

**FIRST LESSON:** ..... Acts 10:34-43

**EPISTLE LESSON:** ..... Colossians 3:1-4

**GOSPEL LESSON:** ..... Matthew 28:1-10

**SERMON:**

**WELCOME:** If you come as a visitor today, we hope you will leave as a friend. Whether you are a newcomer to the community or to our church, we are honoured to have you here. If you are a member of this congregation, please be sure to extend a warm greeting and a friendly welcome to our sisters and brothers in Christ. Speak to someone you don't know before you speak to someone you know.

**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

**THE FLOWERS** which beautify the altar this Easter morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Kristeena Schultz by Bill, Erika and Monica Schultz.

We thank Brenda Bode for arranging the flowers today.

## ***SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY***

Music..... Contemporary Musicians; Deaconess Miriam Winstanley  
Ushers..... John Voss; Ellen Wagner  
Acolyte..... Charlie O'Krafka  
Lector ..... Faith Dueck  
A/V Operators ..... Brenda Bode; Ralf Hinterleitner

### ***THIS WEEK AT FLC***

<b>Monday</b>		<i>Office Closed</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:00 am	LifeLight Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Elders' Meeting
	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship
<b>Thursday</b>	1:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Sunday School Meeting
<b>Friday</b>		Youth Frisbee Golf
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Sunday Worship

### ***IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:***

***In Hospital:***

***Homebound:***

***For Special Intercession:***

***Family Focus:***



*In Sympathy*

We extend our Christian sympathy and the hope of the resurrection to Mark Kihn and his family, at the death of his mother, Ida. We pray that God would comfort this family with the sure and certain hope of the resurrection that we celebrate this day.

***SUNDAY SCHOOL:*** There were no Sunday School classes this morning...instead, students were invited to attend the egg-decorating activity yesterday, which included an Easter Devotion. Thank you to all who attended, and who helped to decorate eggs for this morning's breakfast. Sunday School will resume next Sunday, when our lesson will focus on Jesus' resurrection and what that means for us.

***CHILDREN'S BULLETINS,*** colored pencils, scrap paper and busy bags are available on the bookshelves by the sanctuary doors for children to use during worship.

**LAST WEEK AT FLC**

<b>Week of:</b>	<b>Sunday/ Communion</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday/ Communion</b>	<b>Good Friday</b>
April 02	167/109	Not available	Not available

\* Attendance numbers include online participants

**OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS**

Weekly Offering Needs	\$8,288.46	<b>Our Budget Goal</b> \$431,000.00
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$7,215.00	
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$100,888.00	<b>+/- YTD</b>
<b>Total Offerings Needed to Date</b>	<b>\$116,038.46</b>	<b>-\$15,150.46</b>

**Non-Budget and Miscellaneous Gifts:** Visitor 375.00; CLWR 75.00; Concordia Seminary 75.00; Lutheran Hospital Ministries 120.00; LWML 35.00; LCC Seminaries 50.00; A/R 65.00.

**OUR CALGARY CIRCUIT** will hold a special time for all our congregations to gather for fellowship and spiritual encouragement, with an afternoon together on **April 22, 2023, beginning at 1:00 pm at Grace Lutheran Church.** Our LCC president, Timothy Teuscher, will be our guest speaker, sharing with us “The Task of the Church in Post-Christian 21st Century Canada.”, and we will have breakout sessions for sharing and encouragement. Come and join with members from all our congregations as we look at being God’s church in the world today.

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "He Is Risen, Indeed"** Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Christ's resurrection affects everyone—even those who don't believe it happened. (Matthew 28). 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)

**MISSION OF THE MONTH  
OUR LCC SEMINARIES**

Jesus bids us to “pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into His harvest” (Matthew 9:38, ESV). We help support that work by our support of seminaries. Your gift to this Mission of the Month helps in the training and preparation of those who will be labourers in His harvest field.

**HAVE YOU FILLED OUT YOUR TIME AND TALENTS SURVEY?** We do hope that all our members will look to the ways we work together to the glory of God as His family here. Surveys are on the Welcome Desk or the website. Or go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JLGNRMT>. Please return by **April 17<sup>th</sup>**.



**DID YOU KNOW?** The white wine in the individual cups at Holy Communion is dealcoholized wine for those with allergies or who must stay away from all alcohol. We seem to be running out. If you need to make use of this, please let the pastors know, but we also ask that you not take them if you do not need the dealcoholized wine.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** We have had an excellent response for our July 24-28 Summer VBS, “*Loved by God*”. We are still taking registrations, however as most classes are nearly full and we want to save space for those who may attend our one-day VBS in May, we have begun a wait list. Our May 29<sup>th</sup> one-day VBS, “*Treasured by God*” is now open for registration on our website. It will be held at Capitol Hill Community Centre from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm. We’re still looking for some volunteer helpers and a crafts leader to round out our teams for both Bible schools. Speak to Deaconess Miriam or Pastor Eric if you have any questions or wish to volunteer!

**JOIN US APRIL 29 FOR OUR “26th ANNUAL WALK, RUN OR ROLL FOR LOVE”:** Thank you to all walkers and donors for your unfailing generosity towards Lutheran Hospital Ministries – Southern Alberta Society in the past walks. We are again asking for your support. Our annual fundraiser, a Walk, Run or Roll for Love, will take place on **April 29<sup>th</sup>**. Registration is at Faith Lutheran Church, 1903 – 19 Ave NW, at 8:30 am. Coffee, tea, water and muffins will be available. The walk, a 5 km course through Confederation Park, begins at 9:30 am. If you love to walk or run, come and join us. This once-a-year fundraiser supports the Ministry in our training program for volunteer visitors, who visit patients in hospitals and care facilities. If you cannot walk or run, consider being a “virtual walker” by collecting pledges. Pledge forms are available at [www.lhmsa.ca](http://www.lhmsa.ca) and on our Welcome Desk.



**HELPED NEEDED:** I would like to get a group of volunteers to work with me to assist in a general cleanup of the church grounds. This is the first time that this was organized since 2019 due to the pandemic. I would like to do this on a Saturday with the date to be announced for some time in late April or early May. In the meantime, I will post a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board next to the fellowship hall entrance. ~ *Brian Vincent*

**PASTOR BODE IS IN DIDSBURY**, leading their worship service today.

**FROM THE FELLOWSHIP CHAIR:** A reminder that on Easter Sunday we will not be having a coffee hour. Please join us with the Elders as they host their Easter Breakfast between services!

Also, we have an upcoming Pot-Blessing lunch after church on **May 7<sup>th</sup>**. Please sign up in the Narthex with what you plan to bring!

***YOUTH FRISBEE GOLF ON APRIL 14:*** We'll meet at Baker Park (at the end of Scenic Bow Rd off 85<sup>th</sup> St NW) at 6:30pm to make the most of the daylight. Dress for the weather, with shoes that can get muddy, and bring a water bottle, a snack, a friend, and a frisbee or two if you have them. Pickup will be back at the church at 10pm. RSVP to Michelle by April 13 so we can make sure we have enough vehicles to get everyone back to the church!

***HAVE YO FILLED OUT YOUR FUNERAL FORMS?*** At our funeral planning workshop, we provided information forms that our members could use to note their wishes for their funeral service. We encourage you to fill these in and return a copy to the office. We will keep them on file so that your hymns, readings and confession of hope can be shared at the time of our passing into glory. Pastor can also provide forms if you were unable to attend the workshop.

***MISSION PRAYER:*** This week, we pray for **Rev. Walta Clercius** who serves as Assistant Missionary-at-Large for LCC's French Ministries in Quebec. **Prayer:** Heavenly Father, as Your Son sent forth His Church to make disciples in all nations, we lift up before You, Pastor Clercius, asking You to sustain him by Your Spirit and bless his labours for the sake of the Gospel; Lord in Your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**



***WE THANK ALL WHO MADE THIS EASTER CELEBRATION A SPECIAL DAY.*** We are blessed through the service of our musicians, the altar guild and the Elders who served our breakfast today.





## Growing FAITH at home

9 April 2023

EASTER SUNDAY

## JESUS HAS RISEN



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## CONVERSATIONS

*Share your highs and lows, or respond to the following:*

1. What is a tomb?
2. What is your favourite thing about Easter?



## BIBLE READINGS

*Read the following Bible readings throughout this week.  
Talk about what words or phrases stand out for you.*

1st reading

**Jeremiah 31:1-6**

The Lord will come

2nd reading

**Acts 10:34-43**

We are witnesses

Gospel reading

**Matthew 28:1-10**

He has risen!

## DISCUSS

Imagine that you were one of the women who went to the tomb the first Easter morning. How do you think you would have felt? What does it mean to you that Jesus has risen and is alive?



### ACTION RESPONSE

Is there someone in your congregation who doesn't have family nearby? Invite them to a meal and share Easter joy with them.



### PRAYER

Jesus, we worship you as our risen Lord, help us to listen to you and do what you ask. Amen.



### MEALTIME PRAYER

Risen Lord, we thank you for the meal at this table and the celebration of Easter joy. Amen.



### BLESSING

May the risen Jesus replace your fears with joy and raise you to new life with him.

THE ANGEL SAID TO THE WOMEN, "DON'T BE AFRAID! I KNOW YOU ARE LOOKING FOR JESUS, WHO WAS NAILED TO A CROSS. HE ISN'T HERE! GOD HAS RAISED HIM TO LIFE, JUST AS JESUS SAID HE WOULD."

MATTHEW 28:5-6

VERSE OF THE WEEK

