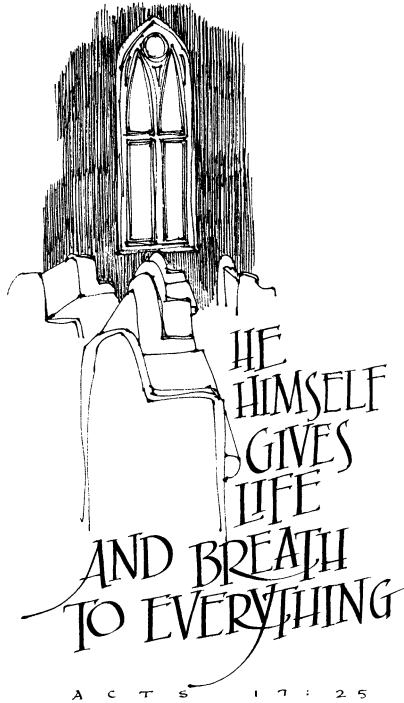


Foothills Lutheran Church

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



Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2023

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A Prayer Upon Entering: O Risen Lord, You came to live and to love so that life and love could flow through us. Help us to live as Easter people--renewing our spirits, looking toward the future, and rejoicing all our days. And help us to live out the love You shared with us by welcoming, accepting, and uplifting the people around us.

Living and loving Lord, enliven us with Your constant compassion.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: As projected

HYMNS: “10,000 Reasons”; “Forever”; “Who You Say I Am”; “Our God”;
“This is Amazing Grace”

FIRST LESSON:..... Acts 17:16-31

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Peter 3:13-22

GOSPEL LESSON: John 14:15-21

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 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.....	Carter Stene; Jaxson Stene
Acolyte.....	Quinn Alcock
Lector.....	Carl Berdahl
Coffee Team.....	Bill & Erika Schultz; Heather Sommers

THIS WEEK AT FLC

Monday	1:00 pm	LWMLC
	7:00 pm	Board of Christian Education
Tuesday	10:00 am	LifeLight Bible Study
	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship/Communion
Thursday	1:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
Sunday	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Sunday Worship/Communion

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

Family Focus:

SUNDAY SCHOOL SERVICE ACTIVITY: On Sunday **May 25th**, as a Sunday School season wrap-up activity, students will be putting together backpacks with school supplies for students in need this fall. Everyone can help with supplies! A box will be placed on a table in the narthex beginning May 21st to collect donations, including children's backpacks, HB pencils, white erasers, 30cm rulers, Crayola wax crayons, blunt scissors, 8/pkg. felt markers, pencil cases, duotangs, glue sticks, and interlined notebooks. Thank you in advance for helping the children to serve in this way.



THE FLOWERS that grace the altar this morning are given to the glory of God by Elnora Haas in loving memory of George and Kelly Haas.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "Reason to Hope" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. A brand-new violin needs to mature through time and use. The same goes for followers of Christ (1 Peter 3:15). Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM and/or 1060 AM at 8:00 Sunday morning. Streaming audio and podcasts are available at www.lutheranhour.ca

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of:	Sunday/Communion	Wednesday	Education Hour
May 7	137/96	13	37

* Attendance includes online participants.

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS

Weekly Offering Needs	\$8,288.46	Our Budget Goal \$431,000.00
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$8,825.00	
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$134,308.00	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$157,480.77	-\$23,172.77

Non-Budget/ Miscellaneous Gifts: Visitor 276.00; FLSR 2000.00; CLWR 75.00; Concordia Seminary 75.00; Lutheran Hospital Ministries 50.00; LWMLC 125.00; LCC Seminaries 100.00; IMPACT Youth Gathering 25.00; Flowers 50.00; VBS Recovery 500.00; Church Properties Recovery 80.00.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: This week's Bible lesson is "A Trusting Widow." Jesus sits in the temple, observing people depositing money into the offering box. But one offering stands out: a widow brings two small copper coins. Jesus commends this offering to His disciples because He knows her offering is everything she has to live on.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: IMPACT YOUTH GATHERING

Our May mission of the month supports our youth as they attend the IMPACT Youth Gathering this summer. This helps cover the costs, including transportation, of those attending. It is taking place June 30-July 3, 2023 at Pines Bible Camp in Grand Forks BC. We look forward to getting together with other youth from across Western Canada as we are equipped and strengthened through God's Word and in our time together as His treasured people.

SUMMER VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: We've 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 we have begun a wait list. Go to <https://www.foothillslutheran.com/ministries/christian-education/vbs2023/> to register. We are still looking for some volunteer helpers and a crafts leader to round out our team. Contact Deaconess Miriam or Pastor Eric if you have any questions or wish to volunteer.

ONE-DAY VBS, TREASURED BY GOD, LOCATION MOVED: Due to low registration we have relocated our **May 29th** one-day VBS to our location here at Foothills Lutheran. We will run 8:30 am – 2:30 pm. Consider registering your children or inviting a friend to learn about how Jesus finds us when we are lost. Registration is on our website at <https://www.foothillslutheran.com/>.



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY: God gives a precious gift in the gift of mothers. We thank Him for His blessings and provision for the mothers of our church family and for the encouragement, care and protection they bring to their children.

LWMLC SOCIETY MEETING: Monday, **May 15**, 1:00 – 3:00 pm. This is an in- person event. We'll begin with Bible Study led by Pastor Bode followed by a short business meeting. The Fellowship Hall will be set up to allow for social distancing and masks are optional. If you would like to socialize beforehand, come at 12:30 and bring your own lunch. Coffee and goodies will be served. All ladies are welcome!



STAMPEDE BREAKFAST: Save your calendar date of **July 16th** for our outdoor Stampede Breakfast and service and sign up in the Narthex to volunteer so we can make this outreach event a success. If we can get enough volunteers by the end of May, we may be able to make this a community event once again. Thanks so much for your support!

THE CALGARY PREGNANCY CARE CENTER is a Christian charity that supports women and families going through an unplanned pregnancy. There are prenatal, parenting and life skills classes and counselling and advocacy services. These are held at Calgary, Strathmore and Airdrie. They do not provide abortions or abortion referrals. Pick up a bottle on Mother's Day and over the next 5 weeks, toss your spare change into the bottle and bring it back on Father's Day. Don't carry cash, donate online or write a cheque. Any questions, please contact Heather Sommers (403) 829-2366. Your change actually changes lives!

PHOTO SCAVENGER HUNT: On Friday, **May 26**, Foothills Lutheran Youth are hosting a city-wide photo scavenger hunt, and we're inviting everyone from LCC Calgary. The event starts at 6:45 PM on May 26, meeting back at Foothills by 9:15 (if you want a chance to win!) and the theme is sports and television. We typically start at Foothills and disburse from there, but if you can put a team together, you can start from your location as well. You will need to bring a digital camera (phone), a phone to google locations and hints on, and props to use in your photos. More instructions will be given when we meet or by email if you're not starting at Foothills. If you would like to participate, please use the link to **RSVP by May 22:** <https://tinyurl.com/4ujp3cx3>. Contact Trevor Heumann at heumann@gmail.com with any questions.

LWML SEMINAR: OAKS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS: In this seminar we will dig into Isaiah, discovering how God uses everything in our lives to make us into His people and to fulfill His plan and purpose for us. Come and learn of God's wonderful exchange, how creation depicts the glory of God, and how women of the Bible exemplify the strength of an oak.

Where: Grace Lutheran Church, 3610 Sarcee Rd SW, Calgary, Alberta

When: **June 10**, 9:30-10:30 (reg. & fellowship) 10:30-3:30 (seminar)

Cost: **\$50.00 for in-person** registration includes morning fellowship coffee time, two meals and hardcopy of Seminar Booklet;

\$10.00 per person for live-stream & electronic copy of Booklet

Gifts of Love (Ingathering): Calgary Dream Centre

Don't forget to register online at: <https://forms.gle/9tKUv5qXDWZvkvaH9>

Need assistance with registration?

Email linda.horton2@shaw.ca or call Linda Horton at 403-984-2508.

Register online and book your hotel room today!

Registration and payment deadline is May 20th!

HELP US WITH THE NOMINATION PROCESS! God has blessed us with differing gifts and abilities, so that we can come together to accomplish great things with His grace and strength. If you are asked to serve, we hope and pray that you will see this as a privilege and a blessing, as we serve the Lord together in joy. Nomination forms are on the Welcome Desk and once completed can be left in the mailbox by the administrative office door. See the description of the Board of Evangelism below!

BOARD OF EVANGELISM

It is easy for the church to become self-centred, worrying more about ourselves and less about those who do not know Jesus Christ as their Saviour. The Board of Evangelism encourages the congregation in its concern for those who are not yet disciples at Foothills, beginning with those who may have already connected with us in some way. As with all our Boards, it is hoped that we will recruit others to aid in these responsibilities.

Areas of responsibility include:

- Encourage members to reach out to others with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to encourage education and equipping in this regard.
- Arrange information for prospects.
- Work with our website host, to increase our visibility, and arrange advertising as appropriate.

The Director prepares an annual budget and approves Board expenses. They participate in Parish Planning Council meetings and Voter's meetings. Time commitment: 2-4 hours per week on average.



Growing FAITH at home

14 May 2023

SIXTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER

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CONVERSATIONS

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

1. Who has been helpful to you this past week?
2. In what ways have you helped others?



BIBLE READINGS

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

1st reading

Acts 17:22-31

God commands
people to repent

2nd reading

1 Peter 3:13-22

You are blessed

Gospel reading

John 14:15-21

The promise of
the Holy Spirit

DISCUSS

Jesus called the Holy Spirit our helper or counsellor. What does the Holy Spirit help us to do?



ACTION RESPONSE

The Holy Spirit is our helper. How can we show ways to help others this week? Make a list and put it on the fridge to remind you.



PRAYER

Jesus you are Lord of our hearts, help us to be gentle and respectful of others so they see you alive in us. Amen.



MEALTIME PRAYER

Come Holy Spirit, be our guest and let this food to us be blessed. Amen.



BLESSING

May God give you the Holy Spirit as a helper and guide.

THEN I WILL ASK THE FATHER TO SEND YOU THE HOLY SPIRIT WHO WILL HELP YOU AND ALWAYS BE WITH YOU. THE SPIRIT WILL SHOW YOU WHAT IS TRUE.

JOHN 14:16-17A

VERSE OF THE WEEK

