

# Foothills Lutheran Church

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



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*The Day of Pentecost*

*May 28, 2023*

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**A Prayer Upon Entering:** O Holy Spirit, heavenly dove, swoop down from above and soar through the world with Your wisdom, strength, and inspiration. Find a resting place, we pray, in our hearts, souls, and minds. And be for us a source of peace.

*Spirit of God, take us to new heights.*

**OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** ..... As projected  
**HYMNS:** ..... “This I Believe (The Creed)”; 913;  
..... “How Great is Our God”; 795; 618; 501  
**FIRST LESSON:**..... Numbers 11:24-30  
**EPISTLE LESSON:** ..... Acts 2:1-21  
**GOSPEL LESSON:** ..... John 7:37-39  
**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 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..... Elfrieda Heiden; Lorne Rosenau  
Lector ..... Brenda Bode  
AV Operators ..... Michelle Funke; Evan Stene  
Coffee Team..... Vi Dusterhoft; Colleen Judiesch; Anne Marie Kothari

**THIS WEEK AT FLC**

<b>Monday</b>	8:30 am	One-Day VBS
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 pm	Elders
	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship/Communion
<b>Thursday</b>	1:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 am	Men's Bible Study
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Sunday Worship/Communion
	1:00 pm	Voter's Meeting

**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 Guy and Judy Cormier and family at the death of Guy's mother, Lorette. We pray that God would comfort this family with His everlasting love.

**TREASURED BY GOD ONE-DAY VBS:** Tomorrow will be a busy day, as we hold our special one-day VBS here at Foothills. Please pray for the children who will be attending, as well as for the volunteers who will be spending the day with them, that God would bless their time together, and that children would leave in the assurance that they are God's treasures.

## LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of:	Sunday/Communion	Wednesday	Education Hour
May 21	133/76	7	7

\* Attendance includes 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	\$5,310.00	
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$144,333.00	<b>+/- YTD</b>
<b>Total Offerings Needed to Date</b>	<b>\$174,057.69</b>	<b>-\$29,724.69</b>

**Non-Budget/ Miscellaneous Gifts:** Visitor 175.00; Sunday School 17.00; FLSR 500.00; LWML 25.00; IMPACT Youth Gathering 375.00; Memorial 50.00.

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "Responses to Suffering"** Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Why does God allow suffering? The answer cannot be that God is indifferent or detached from our pain. (1 Peter 4:12). 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](http://www.lutheranhour.ca)

### 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.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL SERVICE ACTIVITY:** On Sunday **June 25<sup>th</sup>**, 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 21<sup>st</sup> 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.

**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 particularly a crafts leader to round out our team. Contact Deaconess Miriam or Pastor Eric if you have any questions or wish to volunteer.

**OUR LIFELIGHT STUDY** has wrapped up for the summer. We will resume in the fall, with a look at the epistles of John. We thank God for all who have participated and look forward to having you join us in the fall.

**OUR MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will meet on Saturday, **June 3rd** at 9:00 am. We start with breakfast at 9:00, followed by our study. We wrap up by 10:30. We invite the men of the congregation to join us. This will be our last study before a summer break.



**STAMPEDE BREAKFAST:** Save your calendar date of **July 16<sup>th</sup>** 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!

**LOOKING FOR PRIZE BASKET DONATIONS:** We need some baskets for our prize draws for the Stampede Breakfast! Team up with your committee, Bible study group, coffee team, worship team, friend group or family to donate a basket! We love to see a variety of themes, so be creative. Let Sarah Knudtson know ([knudtson.sarah@gmail.com](mailto:knudtson.sarah@gmail.com)) or call the office if you would like to participate.

**THANK YOU** to Maxine Abraham for her gift of petunias and marigolds in the church's planter beds in front of the church. We appreciate your efforts in adding beauty to God's house.

**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 over the next few 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!

**VOTERS MEETING—Sunday, June 4 at 1:00 pm.** We will gather to receive the Annual Report and to elect officers. Please set aside the date and join us as we work together in the Lord's Kingdom. Copies of the 2022 Annual Report and the June 4<sup>th</sup> Voter's package are available on the Welcome Desk.

**HELP NEEDED:** We are looking for people to form a building party starting at 9:00 am Saturday, **June 10<sup>th</sup>**. Hans Dueck will be supervising the construction of our new wooden shed. The old one is rotting, and we had a break in with items stolen. If you can help, contact Hans or just show up.

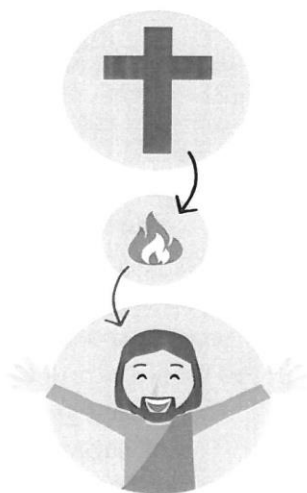
# KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

## What is “Pentecost”?

The word “Pentecost” (pronounced PEN-tuh-kost) comes from the Greek word *pentekostos* which means “fiftieth.” Exactly 50 days after Jesus rose from the dead, the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples in the form of flames of fire.

## Why is Pentecost so important?

When Jesus died, the disciples were sad because they thought that their friend and Lord was gone forever. But Jesus rose again! Forty days after His resurrection, Jesus did finally ascend into heaven leaving the disciples below. However, before Jesus actually died, rose again and ascended into heaven, He made a promise to His disciples that He would send the Holy Spirit to them. He said that the Holy Spirit would come and guide them “into all the truth” (John 16:13). Jesus doesn’t leave us alone to fend for ourselves. Jesus is here with us, and the Holy Spirit guides and leads the Church into the truth of the wonderful Gospel! We celebrate and remember this at Pentecost.



### Parents:

At home, read the story of Pentecost in Acts 2 to your children. Remind them that the Holy Spirit comes to us through the Word and Sacraments just as our Lord has promised. Encourage them to thank God for the gift of His Holy Spirit in their lives.





## Growing FAITH at home

28 May 2023

PENTECOST

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SPIRIT HAS  
COME TO LIVE  
AND WORK  
IN US



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### CONVERSATIONS

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

1. Share an experience you have had with wind or with fire.
2. What do you know about the Holy Spirit?



### BIBLE READINGS

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

1st reading

**Acts 2:1-21**

The Holy Spirit  
comes

2nd reading

**1 Corinthians 12:3b-13**

Unity and diversity  
in the body

Gospel reading

**John 20:19-23**

Jesus appears to the disciples

### DISCUSS

When God gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to the first Christians on the day of Pentecost, a strong wind came from heaven and tongues of fire came to rest on them (Acts 2:1-21).

How were the believers changed?



### ACTION RESPONSE

1 Corinthians 12:7 we learn that the Holy Spirit gives us gifts to use to help all people. Have a discussion about how members of your household are using their God-given gifts for the sake of others.



### PRAYER

Spirit of God, please work in us today. Please use our gifts to bless others. Amen.



### MEALTIME PRAYER

Come, Spirit of God and be our guest, our table to grace and our food to bless. Amen.



### BLESSING

May the Holy Spirit fill you with peace and joy.

BUT EVERYONE WHO CALLS  
ON THE NAME OF THE LORD  
WILL BE SAVED.

ACTS 2:21

VERSE OF THE WEEK