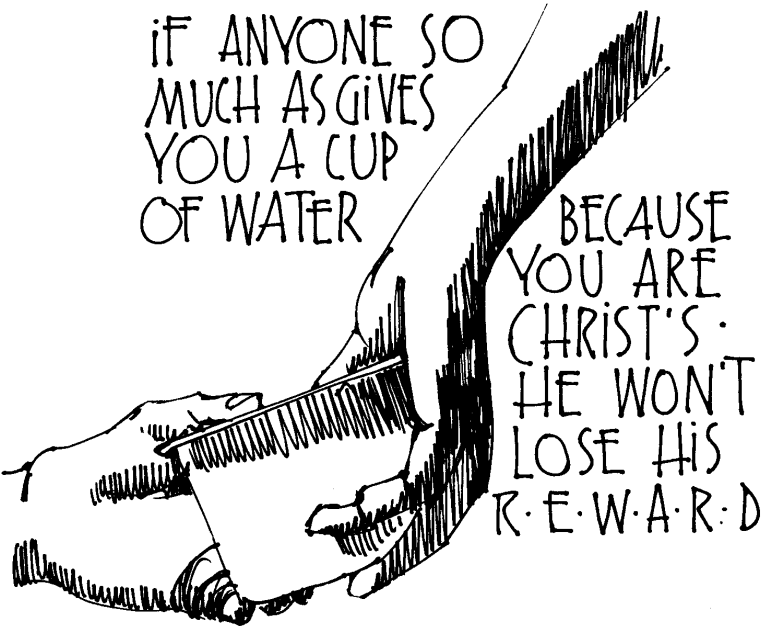


Foothills Lutheran Church

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

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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 22, 2024

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A Prayer Upon Entering: Keep us from pride, O Lord, that would prevent us from serving You as we should. May we always rejoice in the accomplishments of others as well as our own, and may we be quick to encourage and support one another, as they are quick to encourage and support us.

Christ, our humble King, help us to live as Your humble servants.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: As projected
HYMNS: 10,000 Reasons; My Lighthouse; By Faith;
..... Build Your Kingdom Here; This is Amazing Grace
FIRST LESSON:..... Jeremiah 11:18-20
EPISTLE LESSON:..... James 3:13-4:10
GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 9:30-37
CHOIR ANTHEM: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
SERMON: *Pulling the Word Over Your Eyes*

WELCOME to all members and visitors with us this morning. Jesus told His followers to go and make disciples, and we exist here to carry out that task, by baptizing and teaching the Word of God. We invite you to worship with us again. Please sign our guest book at the back of the church before you leave.

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.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Music..... Contemporary Musicians
Ushers.....Elfrieda Heiden; Tobi Stene
Acolyte Kiera Puchbauer
Lector Ralf Hinterleitner
AV OperatorsEden/Paxton Knudtson

THIS WEEK AT FLC

Today	1:00 pm	FLC Slo-Pitch Game @ Dalton Park
Monday	1:00 pm	LWMLC
Tuesday	10:00 am	LifeLight
	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship/Communion
Thursday	1:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Children's Choir
Friday		Youth @ Corn Maze
Sunday	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Worship/Hymn Sing Sunday
	12:00 pm	Faith @ Home
	Following lunch	Voter's Meeting

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

Family Focus:

SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY: We did not have a regular lesson today. Our senior Sunday School students, along with the Confirmation Class and the Youth, attended Pastor Mike Kuhn's presentation on his work with Lutheran Bible Translators-Canada in Cameroon. Mrs. Kara Kuhn joined the younger Sunday School Students to talk with them about their work. We give thanks to God for their work in bringing the Gospel to the people of Cameroon in their own languages.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "All He Has to Say" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The story of Jacob's Ladder is not a prompt for us to climb higher; it's a promise that God comes down to our level. (Genesis 28:15). Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM at 8:00 and/or CJLI-The Light-700 AM at 9:30 Sunday mornings. Streaming audio and podcasts are available at www.lutheranhour.ca.



THE FLOWERS that grace our altar this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Christine Heumann's mother, Dorothy, grandmother, Helen and grandfather, Herbert, who all died in the month of September.

BAPTIZED INTO THE CHRISTIAN FAITH, and into God's family here at Foothills, is Hadley Eliana Rosenau, daughter of Kellen and Kristy Rosenau. Her sponsors are Pastor Eric and Kayla Moffett. We pray that God would bless Hadley and her family, and that He would keep her in His grace, poured out this day.



LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of	Sunday/ Communion	Education Hour	Wednesday
September 15	155/113	36	13

**Attendance includes online participation and those at the ball tournament.*

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS

Weekly Offering Needs	\$7,404.00	Our Budget Goal \$385,000
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$6,360.00	
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$244,300.00	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$273,942.31	-\$29,642.31

Non-Budget/Miscellaneous Gifts: Plate 115.00; Visitor 370.00; Parking 400.00; Lutheran Bible Translators 10.00; Concordia Lutheran Mission Society 190.00; LWMLC 50.00; Refugee Fund 10.00; Flowers 50.00; Fellowship 50.00.

MISSION OF THE MONTH

CONCORDIA MISSION SOCIETY

There are so many opportunities for mission outreach that God has provided for us. We have various agencies within Lutheran Church—Canada who focus on different areas of mission, such as the LWML. The Concordia Lutheran Mission Society was by mission minded LCC individuals to encourage and expand the mission work beyond that which the Synod can do at present. While some of their efforts dovetail with existing projects, they also look for the needs of the church. Your support helps in these efforts!

KITCHEN RENOVATION: The new kitchen reveal was a huge success, and the kitchen committee would like to thank all who toured the new space and stayed to enjoy the celebration. The charcuterie was prepared by HB Catering (Heather & Brenda) with Sarah preparing the veggies and Christine providing the decorations. If you have any questions about the new space, just let us know.

OUR “LIFE WITH GOD” ADULT INFORMATION CLASS meets again **October 6th from 11:45-1:15 pm**. These classes are be led by Pastor Bode following worship on the Sundays when he is *not* in Didsbury. Our topic this time will be: *Life With God: the Loss of Life*

We want to help you know and understand what God says to us in the chief teachings or doctrines of Scripture. This course provides all of us an opportunity

to study what our church believes, teaches, and confesses from the Word of God. For those who are new inquirers, this course would serve as membership class.



ANNUAL CHURCH SLO-PITCH GAME TODAY: Everyone is invited to our fun annual ball game with the youth group - all ages, all abilities are welcome! And a cheering section is welcome, too! We'll head to the diamond as quickly as possible after worship, with the aim of starting by 1pm at the latest, and if you have extra bats and gloves, please bring them to share. The location is Dalton Park on Dalton Drive NW, across from the Dalhousie Canadian Tire.

VOTERS' MEETING: Please mark **September 29th** in your calendars and plan to attend our next Voters' meeting. Voter packages are available on the Welcome Desk.



IT'S HYMN SING TIME! **September 29th** is a fifth Sunday, and we are looking for your hymn suggestions for our worship that day. If you have a favourite, please share it with Pastor Eric or Pastor Bode by Tuesday.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR TRANSITION: We have been blessed with over 7 years of service from Carol Kehler, but she has decided the time has come for her to resign from this role. Thankfully, she will be staying on for a while, to allow us time to find a successor. The Elders will be beginning a recruitment process, and if you have any questions, please talk with any of them.

Thank You! **IT IS A JOY TO HAVE A CHOIR SINGING TODAY** as we hear how God's Word is going out into all the world, especially in Cameroon. We thank those members who have joined us today, and we hope we will hear those voices raised to the glory of God again soon!

LWMLC FOOTHILLS SOCIETY is meeting again after our summer break on **Monday, September 23rd** at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We start with a Bible study, followed by a short business meeting. All ladies are welcome!



OUR LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY continues this Tuesday, **September 24th**. We are looking at the Life of David, following the LifeLight program. Join us for this time together around God's Word. We meet from 10:00 am – 11:30 am.

UPDATE ON THE STUDENT RESIDENCE: We have four students again this year in the residence, and we are thankful for the opportunity to support them in their studies. You have seen them around the church (if you don't know who

they are, ask someone to introduce you!). Please pray for all our students, that God may bless them in their studies.

MISSION PRAYER: This week, we pray for **Rev. Romass Svell** who serves as pastor for the Jarai community in Ratanakiri, Cambodia. **Prayer:** Heavenly Father, as Your Son sent forth His Church to make disciples in all nations, we lift up before You, Pastor Svell, 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.**



PASTOR MIKE AND KARA KUHN and family have joined us today to share with us their work in Cameroon with Lutheran Bible Translators–Canada. May God continue to bless the work that LBTC does in bringing God’s Word into the “heart language” of people throughout the world.

Rev. Mike and Kara Kuhn arrived in Galim, Cameroon, in January 2013. They have assembled a fine translation team and are moving toward publishing some or all of the Holy Scriptures in the Nizaa language. In 2020, the Kuhns moved to Ngaoundere where Mike serves in an expanded role as Cameroon Representative for both LBTC and LBT-US, while continuing his work with the Nizza translation work.

Other Canadians have worked in Cameroon, including Curtis and Andrea Boehm (computer support and teaching), Lorraine Toderash (translation), Annette and Scott Westermann (translation and computer support), Bill and Freda Klassen (construction and accounting support for the Bible House project).

LBTC fulfills its mission of Bible translation and promoting Scripture use through the people and resources that God has provided and continues to provide.



Growing FAITH at home

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YEAR B

Following
Jesus involves
serving others



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Sunday between
September 18 and
September 24



CONVERSATIONS

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

1. Talk about a time when you wanted to be first in something.
2. What does it mean to you when Jesus said that following him involves putting the needs of others ahead of our own wants?
3. In what ways do you serve others in Jesus' name? How has serving others made a difference in your life?



BIBLE READINGS

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

S	Mark 9:30-37	The servant of all is greatest
M	Jeremiah 11:18-20	Plot to kill Jeremiah
T	James 3:13-4:8a	Wisdom from above
W	2 Kings 5:1-14	A girl saves her master
T	Luke 14:7-14	Humility and hospitality
F	Isaiah 42:1-9	A servant song
S	Psalms 54	A cry to God for help

VERSE OF THE WEEK

"Whoever wants to be first must be
last of all and servant of all."

MARK 9:35





CREATIVE RESPONSE

Jesus said 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me' (Mark 9:36).

In your home this week, make a special point of praying by name for children in your church, school and neighbourhood. Ask for God's help to welcome them with the heart and spirit of Jesus.



ACTION RESPONSE

Jesus said to his disciples 'Whoever wants to be first must take last place and be the servant of everyone else'.

Make a list of ways you can be servants to one another in your home this week or as a family how you can serve together another family who could use your help.



MEALTIME PRAYER

You nourish us with food, O God, for body and for soul. May love and kindness be our thanks and service be our goal. Amen.



PRAYER

Lord Jesus,
please teach us
to put others
before ourselves
and to know the
joy of serving you.
Amen



BLESSING

May the Lord give you a pure heart; may God make you peaceful, gentle, and willing to care for others with mercy.