# Foothills Lutheran Church

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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:30 am-12 pm.

"Connecting People with Christ through Worship, Relationships & Service"



# Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost November 17, 2024

Education Hour:	9:00 am
Morning Worship (Holy Communion: 1*, 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup>	10:15 am
Wednesday Evening Worship:	6:30 pm

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A Prayer Upon Entering: We know that You are near, O Lord. Help us to live in a way that shows how happy we are that You are on Your way to take us back to be with You in heaven. May our words and actions express the great hope, excitement and joy we have in what the future holds.

### **OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

ORDER OF SERVICE:	Divine Service 3
HYMNS:	873; 508; 336; 575; 618; 819; 670
FIRST LESSON:	Daniel 12:1-3
EPISTLE LESSON:	Hebrews 10:11-25
GOSPEL LESSON:	

**SERMON:** That'll Be the Day! - Daniel 12:1-3

A JOYOUS WELCOME to all who worship here this morning. May you find forgiveness and strengthening through God's Word and promise. If you are visiting, please honour us by signing our guest book at the back of the church. If there is any way we can be of service to you, please speak to the pastor or one of the elders. If you have no church home of your own, please consider making Foothills your 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.



**THE FLOWERS** which grace our altar today are given to the glory of God by Anne Marie Kothari in memory of her mom, dad and brother from Norway.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:** OCC shoeboxes are due back on **November 24**. Do leave a picture and/or note in the shoebox. Please note that shipping and handling costs have increased to \$12.00.

### SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Organist	Deaconess Miriam Winstanley
Ushers	Tim Roth; John Voss
	Julia Han
•	Stacey Bablitz
	Evan Stene; Barb Vincent
•	Lorne Rosenau
Coffee Team	The Knudtson Family

#### THIS WEEK AT FLC

Today		Pot Blessing Lunch
Monday	6:30 pm	Sunday School Teachers' Meeting
Tuesday	10:00 am	LifeLight Bible Study
	12:30 pm	Silver Saints Pot Blessing
	7:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Midweek Worship
Thursday	1:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir
Friday	7:00 pm	Youth Activity & Youth Parents Session
Sunday	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Worship
	12:00 pm	NYG Info Meeting

### IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

Family Focus:

**WE EXTEND OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** to Nelson Meyers, Richard and Gwyneth Harding and family at the loss of Nelson's daughter, Meredith. Her Christian memorial service will be here at Foothills on Monday, **November 25**<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm. May God comfort this family with His everlasting comfort and peace.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR "Jesus Sees What's in the Heart" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Hector Hoppe. Jesus sees what's in our hearts. What's in His heart? God saw that we needed a Savior. (Mark 12:41-44). 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 <a href="https://www.lutheranhour.ca">www.lutheranhour.ca</a>.

## LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of	Sunday	<b>Education Hour</b>	Wednesday/Communed
November 10	132	9	14/14

<sup>\*</sup>Attendance includes online participation.

### **OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS**

Weekly Offering Needs	\$7,404.00	Our Budget Goal
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$6,922.00	\$385,000
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$302,948.00	+/- YTD
<b>Total Offerings Needed to Date</b>	\$333,173.08	-\$30,225.08

*Non-Budget/Miscellaneous Gifts:* Plate 52.00; Visitor 490.00; Facility Rentals 135.00; FLSR 500.00; Inn from the Cold 145.00; LWMLC 75.00; Chairs 260.00; A/R 65.00.

*SUNDAY SCHOOL:* In our Christian education time this week, we study "A Life Restored." Jairus, a synagogue ruler, comes to Jesus, begging Him to heal his critically ill daughter. Along the way, servants come with news of his daughter's death. Taking along Peter, James, and John, Jesus ignores the mourners, takes the young girl by the hand, and tells her, "Arise." And rise she does, demonstrating Jesus' power over death itself.

**ADVENT ACTIVITY FOR EVERYONE:** Come to the church from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturday, **November 30**<sup>th</sup> and get ready for Advent! We'll have a devotion, make Advent wreaths (and other fun crafts) and decorate the sanctuary and the Christmas tree. Lunch will be provided, so if you plan to come, please fill out the sign-up sheet on Deaconess Miriam's door so that we have enough for everyone.

THE MAINSPRINGS PREGNANCY AND FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER (previously the Calgary Pregnancy Care Center) supports pregnant women and their families. As they prepare to collect for their Christmas Client Care Project, we encourage you to donate some of the items needed. A list is on the Fellowship bulletin board. You can drop off items with Heather Sommers. New items only, please.

**THE ALTAR GUILD:** is a special service in God's house. It is much more than just setting up the elements for Holy Communion. There are 4 different areas in which you can serve:

 Communion: Setting up for Holy Communion before service and cleaning it up after service as well as washing and ironing the various Communion and altar linens.

- Paraments/Banners which are changed according to the Sunday of the Church Year.
- Special Decorating Beautify our sanctuary Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter.
- Flowers Organize flowers as per Individuals request to put flowers on the altar.

Is God calling you to use your gifts in this way? Please speak to Brenda Bode for more information.

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE CONGREGATIONAL SURVEY.** Foothills is updating our Statement of Direction and determining what ministry areas we want to focus on as a congregation in the next few years. We want all our members' input into this process. Please complete our survey, due by **today.** This is an important step for our congregation, and we encourage all members to participate in this survey. If you have any questions, please contact any of the members of the Foothills Direction Committee: Pastor Eric Moffett, Deaconess Miriam Winstanley, Stacey Bablitz, Dale Dusterhoft, Michelle Heumann, Ralf Hinterleitner, Rick Nelson, Kellen Rosenau, Evan Stene.

PURDY'S CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER: To help support youth group trips like the 2025 National Youth Gathering, 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. Order online at https://fundraising.purdys.com/1986020-121761 and



pay with a credit card. The **order/payment deadline is November 29**. Orders will be available to pick up on Sunday, **December 15**. Thank you for your support!

**LWMLC FOOTHILLS SOCIETY** is meeting on Monday, **November 25** at noon, downstairs in the Confirmation Room. We will start with some fellowship time - bring your own lunch - followed by a Bible study and a short business meeting. All ladies are welcome!

**ADVENT SERVICES** begin December 4<sup>th</sup>. Pick up a calendar of special services on the welcome desk!

### MISSION OF THE MONTH: INN FROM THE COLD

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 outside the library doors. Please note they no longer accept any handmade items, only new purchased ones.

MISSION PRAYER: This week, we pray for Rev. Silvio Modesto Sánchez Osaba who serves as pastor for the Lutheran Church Nueva Jerusalen in the Villa 15 de Julio community, Nicaragua. Prayer: Heavenly Father, as Your Son sent forth His Church to make disciples in all nations, we lift up before You, Pastor Osaba, 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 YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS** as we look to purchase another 60-80 new chairs to replace the older wooden chairs, which were splintering and unsafe due to the breakdown of welds on the legs.

We invite you to Buy a Chair, much in the same way that people bought bibles or hymnals for the church in the past. The cost of a chair is \$65.00. You can contribute to this effort in any amount--simply mark your gift, "Chairs". We will place the order once the money has been received. Thank you for your support of the church - and support for those who need to take a seat!

*OUR SILVER SAINTS* A quick reminder that this month's Silver Saints gathering will be a potluck and games beginning at 12:30 pm on Tuesday, **November 19**<sup>th</sup>. There is a sign-up sheet on the Silver Saints bulletin board near the fellowship hall. Bring a dish to share and your favourite game!

*INVITATION:* The West RMMC (Regional Mission and Ministry Council) invite you to participate in two Ambassadors of Reconciliation online training programs. *Coaching People to Reconcile*, Jan 6—Feb 3, Monday Evenings 4pm-6:30pm MT. *Mediating People to Reconcile*, Feb 10—Mar 17. There is a small materials fee, registration is free. Please **register before December 1, 2024**. For more info contact sonjabland70@gmail.com.



# Hold tight to your faith





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

- 1. What is a Christian?
- 2. When do you meet with other Christians? What do you do together?
- 3. Hebrews speaks of 'motivating one another to acts of love and good works' – why is this important?
- 4. Who has encouraged you in your faith? Whom might you encourage?



### BIBLE READINGS

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

S	Mark 13:1-8	The signs of the end of the age
М	Daniel 12:1-3	The resurrection of the dead
T	Hebrews 10:11-25	A call to perseverance
W	1 Samuel 26:21-25	David spares Saul's life
Т	James 1:2-8	Faith and wisdom
F	1 Peter 1:3-9	A living hope
5	Psalm 16	A life centered on the Lord

## VERSE OF THE WEEK

"Let us hold firmly to the hope we claim to have. The one who promised is faithful."

**HEBREWS 10:23** 





### CREATIVE RESPONSE

Psalm 16:7 says; "I will praise the Lord. He gives me good advice. Even at night my heart teaches me."

When we read or listen to God's Word at the end of the day, our hearts and minds are filled with good things that carry us through the night.

Even as we sleep God's Spirit is at work, ministering to us and leading us.

Spend a few moments reading or listening to God's Word before you go to sleep this week. Parents, use the Bible or a Bible storybook for bedtime stories with young children.

Memorise Psalm 4:8, "I will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone, O LORD, make me lie down in safety."



### ACTION RESPONSE

Encouraging others is important to our daily health and our Christian faith. We all experience discouragement.

The Christian faith allows us to be honest with the challenges and difficulties around us and at the same time know that current trials and tribulations do not get the last word.

Find ways to support someone going through a difficult time. Pray for them and with them.



#### MEALTIME PRAYER

Lord, you fill us with joy when we are with you; and your blessings to us never end. Thank you, God! Amen.



### PRAYER

Lord, you have been faithful to us. Help us to remain faithful in worshipping you. Amen.



### BLESSING

May the Lord give you a glad heart that your soul may rejoice and your whole body may rest secure.