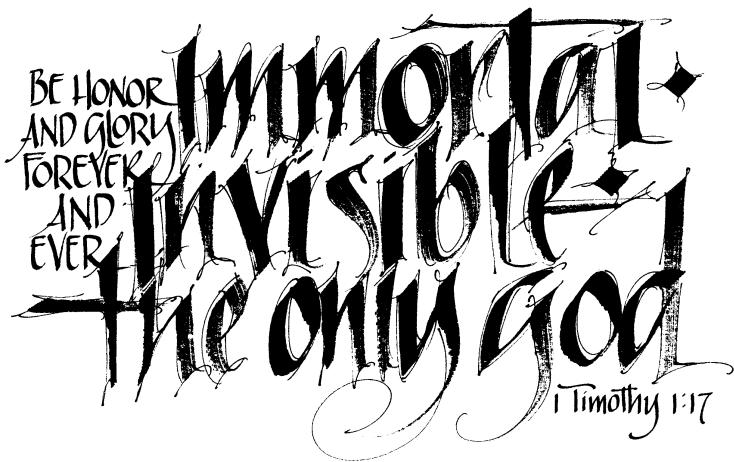


Foothills Lutheran Church

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Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 9:30 am-1:00 pm

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



The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 14, 2025

Education Hour..... 9:00 am
Morning Worship..... 10:15 am

Pastor Emeritus & Vacancy Pastor: David Bode – flcpastor@foothillslutheran.com
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Office Administrator: Amber Myers – office@foothillslutheran.com
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Eldon Ohlinger

A Prayer Upon Entering: Thank You, Lord, for finding us when we were lost in sin. Thank You for rejoicing over us whenever we are with You. And thank You for calling Your people together to celebrate the news that we have become Yours again.

Our Lord and Protector, keep us from ever straying from You.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE: The Office at Prime

HYMNS: Ancient Words; Be Unto Your Name; In the Cross Alone I Glory;
..... You are My All in All

FIRST LESSON:..... Ezekiel 34:11-24

EPISTLE LESSON:..... 1 Timothy 1:12-17

GOSPEL LESSON:..... Luke 15:1-10

SERMON: God’s “Green Acres” - Ezekiel 34:11-16

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 next on September 21st 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.

LAST WEEK AT FLC
Includes online participation

Week of	Sunday/Communed	Education Hour
September 7	150/102	33

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Worship Elders..... Lorne Rosenau; Trevor Heumann
Music..... Contemporary Musicians
Acolyte..... Julia Han
Ushers.....Tobi Stene; John Voss
Lector..... Christine Heumann
AV/PowerPoint Operators..... Evan Stene
Greeters..... Christine Heumann; Barb Vincent
Coffee Team..... Ellen Wagner; Michelle Funke

THIS WEEK AT FLC

Today	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Sunday Worship
		Call Meeting following the service
Monday	7:00 pm	PPC Meeting
Tuesday	10:00 am	Lifelight Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Ladies' Bible Study
Thursday	1:30 pm	Ladies' Bible Study
	7:00 pm	FLC Adult Choir Practice
Sunday	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Sunday Worship with Holy Communion
	12:00 pm	FLC Youth Group: Downhill Go Karting

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Homebound:
For Special Intercession:
Family Focus:

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.



OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD’S GIFTS

Weekly Offering Needs	\$7,692.31	Our Budget Goal
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$6,660.25	
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$231,549.30	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$276,923.08	-\$45,373.78

Non-Budget/Miscellaneous Gifts: Plate Offerings 25.50; Visitor Offerings 391.00; FLSR Rental 1,040.00; Parking Revenue 2,600.00; Canadian Lutheran World Relief 80.00; Concordia Lutheran Mission Society 25.00; Concordia Lutheran Seminary 80.00; LWML 50.00; The Mustard Seed 25.00; FLC Refugee Fund 100.00.



CALL MEETING: A call meeting will follow directly after our service today. Light refreshments will be served as we prayerfully vote upon our next candidate. Please join us for this important meeting.

REGIONAL CHURCH WORKERS’ CONFERENCE: The West Region Church Workers’ Conference will be held here at Foothills September 29 through October 2. We are expecting 80 registrants from western Canada. **All are invited to attend the opening service at 7:00 pm, Monday, September 29.** If you are able to provide some baking for the coffee time following the service, that would be greatly appreciated!

LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Pastor Bode has resumed leading our **Tuesday morning Lifelight Bible Study at 10:00 am.** We are beginning with a look at “The Lord’s Supper.” All are welcome for this time together in fellowship and the Word.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: The account of Esau and Jacob serves as today’s lesson, “Twin Troubles.” When Isaac is sixty years old, Rebekah gives birth to very different twin boys—Esau and Jacob. Isaac ignores God’s promise to Jacob and favors Esau. Esau’s hunger gets the best of him as he sells his birthright for a bowl of stew. Rebekah enables further deception as she plots with Jacob, her favored son, so that he receives Isaac’s blessing. When Esau vows to kill Jacob, Rebekah sends Jacob away for his own safety.

FLC’s ADULT CHOIR: Rehearsals resumes this **Thursday at 7:00pm.** We are looking for an accompanist, and in the meantime are working on our a cappella singing. The choir will participate in every traditional service, supporting the hymn-singing, as well as preparing anthems for special occasions. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Richard Harding at rmharding@shaw.ca for more information!

CALLING OUT FOR MUSICIANS! Our Contemporary Music Team is looking for more talent to add to our services! We are in particular need of lead guitarists, pianists, and drummers. We meet at 7:00 pm on the Wednesday before each contemporary service for rehearsals. Interested? Contact Sarah Knudtson at: knudtson.sarah@gmail.com with any questions. Thank you!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: (September 21) "**Someone Worth Having**" with Lutheran Hour speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. We lost God's name along the way, but God found us and gave us the Name by which we can know Him: Jesus-
-"God saves." (Numbers 6:27)

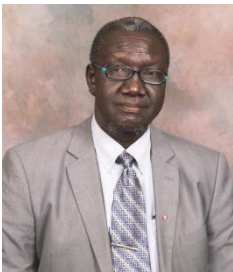
Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM at 8:00 or CJLI-The Light-700 AM at 9:30 Sunday mornings, at www.lutheranhour.ca, or download the Lutheran Hour app.

MISSION OF THE MONTH:
CONCORDIA LUTHERAN MISSION SOCIETY

Concordia Lutheran Mission Society is a group of volunteers who give their time, talents and money to raise financial support for Christian mission activities around the world. CLMS is an auxiliary of Lutheran Church-Canada.



Empowered by God's own mission to save the world, the mission of Concordia Lutheran Mission Society, is to enlist the prayers, gifts, and energies of God's people in Lutheran Church-Canada to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ wherever God provides opportunity.



MISSION PRAYER: This week, we pray for Rev. James D. Kay who serves as pastor of the Sudanese congregation of Grace Lutheran Church in Edmonton.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, as Your Son sent forth His Church to make disciples in all nations, we lift up before You, Pastor Kay, asking You to sustain him by Your Spirit and bless his labours for the sake of the Gospel; Lord in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

CHECK OUT OUR LIBRARY! Foothills is blessed with a wonderful collection of Christian literature, inspirational reading and Biblical studies. We thank Michelle Funke and Barb Vincent for the work they do in maintaining our library so that it is open and accessible every Sunday. Stop in, browse the books and take something to read. We are sure that you will be inspired and informed through the resources available to you.

LUTHERAN HOSPITAL MINISTRIES IS TURNING 50 in 2025! They will celebrate with a special worship service followed by music and a German-style meal on **Saturday, October 18, 2025 at 10:00 am at St. Matthew Lutheran Church**. Music and the luncheon will be downstairs in the church (the church has a lift to help folks get downstairs). Everyone is welcome to the service led by Pastor Mark Rekken and Pastor Mark Lobitz. The ladies at St. Matthew Lutheran Church will put on the lunch and can accommodate 60 people. Luncheon tickets will be \$10 to help offset a small portion of the costs.

NEW PORTALS OF PRAYER AND FOOT PRINT are now available on the Welcome Desk.

ICELAND TRAVEL PRESENTATION: We are blessed to have Faith Dueck scheduled to present photos and speak on her recent trip to Iceland, during our coffee hour on **September 28** following our service.



LWMLC SOCIETY MEETING: The ladies will be meeting downstairs on **Monday, September 22**, at 12:30pm. We will begin with a social time, followed by a Bible study, and then a brief business meeting. All ladies are welcome to join us!

OUR NEXT REGULAR VOTER'S MEETING: will be held on Sunday, October 5 following the worship service. Voter's packages will be available next Sunday. Please mark this date on your calendars!

YOUTH BIBLE STUDY HELP: We are looking for one or two more people to help with teaching youth Bible study on Sunday mornings - if you love the Bible, are regularly available at 9am on Sundays, and want to support the youth of our congregation, it would be great to talk about having you in the teaching rotation. We are using an easy-to-prepare CPH curriculum, and if you're interested or have any questions, please contact Michelle Heumann.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES HAVE BEGUN: Our regular Confirmation classes began on September 7. Please pray for our students who are diving deeper into the Christian faith, that the faith first planted in them in their Baptism would grow as their knowledge of Scripture is broadened. Pray also for the three young people who will be Confirmed this fall, as they each prepare to present on one aspect of what they have learned in their last two years of study.



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Sunday between
September 11 and
September 17



CONVERSATIONS

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

1. Share about a time when you lost something really special. How did you react?
2. Read the parable of the lost sheep (Luke 15:3-7). How do people get "lost" from God? How does God respond?
3. What does it mean to repent? How does God treat those who repent?



BIBLE READINGS

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

S	Luke 15:1-10	The lost sheep and the lost coin
M	John 10:11-18	Jesus, the good shepherd
T	1 Timothy 1: 12-17	The Lord's grace
W	Ezra 9:1-5, 10:1-12	The people of Israel confess
T	Romans 5:1-11	Christ died for sinners
F	2 Peter 3:8-13	That all may come to repentance
S	Psalms 85	Restore us again, O God

VERSE OF THE WEEK

Here is a saying that you can trust.
It should be accepted completely. Christ
Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 TIMOTHY 1: 15A



CREATIVE RESPONSE

Play a good old-fashioned game of 'hide and seek'.

Talk about how God rejoices when people who are lost from him return.

Work together on completing a jigsaw puzzle.

As you do, talk about how each piece in the puzzle is needed and has a special place – and how, in a similar way, each one of us is valuable to God and is sought out by him.

Share about the special qualities you see in one another.



MEALTIME PRAYER

In grace you seek us and with love you feed us. Lord, help us serve all those who need us.
Amen.



PRAYER

Lord Jesus, thank you for looking for us when we are lost and for carrying us home.
Amen.



ACTION RESPONSE

Take a large garbage bag and go for a walk around your neighbourhood. Collect as many lost or discarded items as you can.



BLESSING

(Name) You are God's treasured possession.