# 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 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 28, 2025

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

Pastor Emeritus & Vacancy Pastor: David Bode – <a href="mailto:floating-ncom/floating-

A Prayer Upon Entering: O Lord, You have taught us what it means to be truly rich and what it means to be truly poor. You have shown us that those who believe in You are rich and those who turn their backs on You are poor. May the faith now present within us make each of us truly rich men and women in this world and the next.

O Lord most high, may our lives be enriched by You.

### **OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

ORDER OF SERVICE:	As projected
<i>HYMNS:</i> 730; Better is	s One Day; In the Cross Alone I Glory; 725
FIRST LESSON:	
EPISTLE LESSON:	1 Timothy 6:6-19
GOSPEL LESSON:	Luke16:19-31
SERMON:	The Love of Your Life - 1 Timothy 6: 6-19

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 October 5<sup>th</sup> 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: <a href="mailto:financials@foothillslutheran.com">financials@foothillslutheran.com</a>.

**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.

## LAST WEEK AT FLC

Week of	Sunday (Online)	<b>Education Hour</b>
September 21	~45 households	NA

### SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Worship Elders	Rob Kaut: Kellen Rosenau
Music	Hannah Edel (Organ); Contemporary Musicians
Acolyte	Adam Hohm
Ushers	Tim Roth; Brian Vincent
Lector	Ralf Hinterleitner
AV/PowerPoint Operators	Evan Stene; Eden/Paxton Knudtson
Coffee Team	Ingrid Kubke; Robert Kubke

## THIS WEEK AT FLC

Today	9:00 am	Education Hour
-	10:15 am	Sunday Worship
	Following Service	Faith @ Home "My Church"
	Coffee Hour	Faith Dueck's Iceland Presentation
Monday	7:00 pm	West Region Workers' Conference
		Opening Worship Service
Tuesday th	rough Thursday	West Region Workers' Conference
Saturday	9:00 am	Men's Breakfast
Sunday	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Sunday Worship with Holy Communion
		Voters' Meeting following service

### IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

THE OCTOBER-DECEMBER PORTALS OF PRAYER: is available on the Welcome Desk.

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

Weekly Offering Needs	\$7,692.31	Our Budget Goal
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$5,810.00	\$400,000.00
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$241,469.30	+/- YTD
<b>Total Offerings Needed to Date</b>	\$292,307.69	\$50,838.39

Non-Budget/Miscellaneous Gifts: FLSR Rent \$4,080.00.

*ICELAND TRAVEL PRESENTATION TODAY:* We are blessed to have Faith Dueck presenting photos and a talk on her recent trip to Iceland during our coffee hour following worship today. Please join!

*CALL EXTENDED:* On September 14 the congregation met and reviewed four pastoral nominees for the Divine Call to FLC. Pastor Jason Schultz, currently serving at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Moose Jaw was selected. The Call Committee and church leadership have contacted Pastor Schultz and have provided him with the official call package. Please pray for Pastor Schultz, his family and his congregation as he deliberates this call.

**REGIONAL CHURCH WORKERS' CONFERENCE:** The West Region Church Workers' Conference will be held here at Foothills this Monday through Thursday. We are expecting approximately 80 registrants from Western Canada. All are invited to attend the opening Communion service at 7:00 pm, Monday, September 29.

*USHERS ARE NEEDED:* For the Conference's opening service. If you can assist Monday evening, please contact Deaconess Miriam.

**CONFERENCE MEALS:** Thank you to everyone who has so far volunteered to help prepare meals for the conference. There are still a few spots open for volunteering if you can spare a few hours on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons (Sept. 30 & Oct. 1). If you would like to help, please speak with Christine Heumann after church, email her at <a href="mailto:christineheumanncgy@gmail.com">christineheumanncgy@gmail.com</a> or call her at 403-710-8347. Thank you again for your participation in this event.



WE EXTEND OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY and the glorious hope of the resurrection to the Bablitz family at the death of Stacey's father, Carl Baumgartner, on September 20. May the Lord comfort this family with the glorious hope of the resurrection through the victorious Lord, Jesus Christ.



*OUR VOTERS' MEETING* will be held next **Sunday**, **October 5** following the worship service. Voter packages are available on the Welcome Desk Please make sure to attend

**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:** Today, we will study Jacob's family in "A Family Grows." Jacob experiences love at first sight when he meets Rachel at the well. Welcomed into his uncle Laban's household, Jacob agrees to work seven years in order to marry Rachel. When the wedding celebration finally arrives, Laban tricks Jacob into marrying Rachel's older sister, Leah. Realizing the deception, Jacob confronts his uncle, who gives him Rachel's hand for another seven years of service.

**LUNCH BUNCH:** Last year, members 65+ filled out a survey about visioning, in terms of reviving the Silver Saints as a group. From September through June there were a variety of activities held that were in response to different suggestions, but the activities involving food & fellowship proved to be the most popular. This rated high on the survey too. Building on this, we will be trying a "Lunch Bunch" activity every other month. This will be open to everyone (not just those with silver in their hair). Watch for more information about where and when the Lunch Bunch will strike next!



MISSION OF THE MONTH: CONCORDIA LUTHERAN MISSION SOCIETY: Concordia Lutheran Mission Society is a group of volunteers who give their time, talens and money to raise financial support for Christian mission activities around the world.

CLMS in 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.

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR:** (October 5) "Every Age Has a Stage" with guest speaker: Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola Every age has a stage, not just a stage of life, but also a stage on which to perform and to serve. (Numbers 8:23-26) Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM at 8:00 or CJLI-The Light-

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MISSION PRAYER: This week, we pray for Rev. Asefa Aredo who serves as pastor of Shalom Oromo Lutheran Church in Winnipeg, Manitoba, and LCC's Missionary-at-Large for Oromo Outreach. Prayer: Heavenly Father, as Your Son sent forth His Church to make disciples in all nations, we lift up before You, Pastor Aredo, 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.



**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 9:00 am 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-prep CPH curriculum, and if you're interested or have any questions, please contact Michelle Heumann.



FLC's ADULT CHOIR AND CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP BAND are both active and welcoming of new talent to support our worship! Please contact Richard Harding at <a href="mailto:rmharding@shaw.ca">rmharding@shaw.ca</a> for more information about choir and Sarah Knudtson at <a href="mailto:knudtson.sarah@gmail.com">knudtson.sarah@gmail.com</a> about contemporary music.

LUTHERAN HOSPITAL MINISTRIES IS TURNING 50! They will celebrate with a special worship service followed by music and a German/Octoberfest-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. Please call (403) 264-4045 to register.

**LUTHERAN HOSPITAL MINISTRIES FALL TRAINING:** Do you want to learn skills that will help you visit or assist you in caregiving? Lutheran Hospital Ministries Fall Training Session will take place over three **Saturdays: October 25, November 1 and 8.** Please contact Rev. Mark Rekken at (587) 228-2597 or the office at (403) 264-4045 to find out more information or to attend the sessions.



# Secret of being content



CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA

www.growministries.org.au

Sunday between September 25 and October 1



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

- Share about a time when you were in need and someone helped you.
- 2. How does God meet your needs?
- 3. What are the needs of people in your local community? In what ways could you be more involved?



### **BIBLE READINGS**

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

S	Luke 16:19-31	Poor Lazarus and the rich man
M	1 Timothy 6: 6-19	Don't put your hope in wealth
т	Proverbs 22:1-9,16	The rich versus the poor
W	Proverbs 28:11-28	Helpers of the poor lack nothing
т	Ephesians 2:1-10	God is rich in mercy
F	Philippians 4:10-13	The secret of being content
S	Psalm 146	The Lord loves the righteous

## VERSE OF THE WEEK

After all, we brought nothing with us when we came into the world, and we can't take anything with us when we leave it. So if we have enough food and clothing, let us be content.

1 TIMOTHY 6:7-8





### CREATIVE RESPONSE

Paul urges Christians to 'be rich in good deeds and be generous and willing to share' (1 Timothy 6:18).

Consider these ideas for encouraging a giving spirit in your children:

- Help neighbours. Look for opportunities to serve those around you, e.g. do some yard work for an elderly person, bake for someone, make a meal for a sick person.
- Give blood. Take your children with you so they see you as a model for giving. Talk to them about why you choose to donate and what it will accomplish.
- Make birthdays charitable. Promote birthdays as a time for giving to others. Encourage your children to give away used toys or books that are still in good condition as they receive new gifts.
- Care for animals. At regular intervals buy cat or dog food to donate to an animal shelter.
- Pitch in. Commit as a household to be part of working bees at your church and to participate in church volunteer roles.



### MEALTIME PRAYER

God, we're so blessed with what you've sent. May we be thankful and content. Amen.



### **PRAYER**

Lord Jesus, we are truly rich because of you. Help us to be generous to others. Amen.



#### ACTION RESPONSE

Collect current news stories about people who are suffering from poverty or sickness. Talk about these situations in your home devotions this week.

Pray for the people affected. Is there any way you might be able to help them?



### BLESSING

May God fill you with the richness of his love.