

# 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”*

HE IS  
RISEN.  
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INDEED

# ALLELUIA

*The Resurrection of Our Lord*

*April 5, 2026*

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

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**Pastor Emeritus:** Rev. Eldon Ohlinger

**A Prayer Upon Entering:** O Jesus Christ, now risen from the dead, break through the walls of death around us, and shatter all our fears about the future. Take us into Your arms. Hold us forever in Your embrace. And bring us at last to the joy of life everlasting.

*Risen Savior, carry us forward from this life to the next.*

**OUR WORSHIP TODAY**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** .....As Projected  
**HYMNS:** ..... Above All; 457; He is Risen; 489; 465; 474; 633;  
..... Because He Lives; 490.  
**FIRST LESSON:**.....Acts 10:34-43  
**EPISTLE LESSON:**.....Colossians 3:1-4  
**GOSPEL LESSON:**.....Matthew 28:1-10  
**SERMON:**..... Living Above; Living Beyond – Colossians 3:1-4

**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 THIS SUNDAY** 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).



**THE FLOWERS** and Easter lilies which beautify our altar today are given to the glory of God by Michael Vivek; the Christophers; Jutta Colhoun; Diane Voss in remembrance of her mother,

Katharina Kraushar.

**SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY**

- MUSIC**..... Contemporary Musicians, Deaconess Miriam Winstanley
- GREETERS** ..... Barb and Brian Vincent; Elke Bittmann
- USHERS** ..... Brian Vincent, Tim Roth
- LECTOR**..... Diane Voss
- AV OPERATORS**..... Michelle Funke
- WORSHIP ELDERS**..... Robert Kaut

**THIS WEEK AT FLC**

<b>Monday</b>		<i>Office Closed</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	7:00 pm	Ladies Bible Study
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:00 pm	Board of Education Meeting
<b>Thursday</b>	1:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Children’s Choir
	7:00 pm	Sunday School Meeting
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 pm	Adult Choir
	9:00 am	Christian Education Hour
	10:15 am	Sunday Worship

**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

*In Hospital/ Hospice:*

*Homebound:*

*For Special Intercession:*

*Family Focus:*



**OUR MEN’S BREAKFAST** will not be held during the month of April. With the busyness of Easter and a rather full schedule of other needs, we will set it aside. We will be meeting again in May, and invite the men of the congregation to join us.

**A BIG THANK YOU** to our elders for preparing our Easter breakfast this year! We appreciate your service to the Lord and His people!

**LAST WEEK AT FLC**

<b>Week of:</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Education Hour</b>	<b>Wednesday Lent Service</b>
March 29	129	36	19

**OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS**

Weekly Offering Needs	\$7,596.15	<b>Our Budget Goal</b> \$395,000.00
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$2,160.00	
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$84,636.45	<b>+/- YTD</b>
<b>Total Offerings Needed to Date</b>	<b>\$98,750.00</b>	<b>-\$14,113.55</b>

**Non-Budget/Miscellaneous Gifts:** Plate Offering \$3.00; Visitor Offering \$670.00; Sunday School \$12.00; Refugee Sponsorship \$70.00, Concordia Seminary \$5.00, Board of Fellowship \$31.00

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR:** (April 12). "Early Adopters" Lutheran Hour Speaker: **Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler**. The risen Jesus is the "display model" of what we will be, through faith in Him. **1 Corinthians 15:20**. Hear this inspirational message on CHRB 1140 AM at 8:00 or CJLI-The Light-700 AM at 9:30 am Sunday mornings, at [www.lutheranhour.ca](http://www.lutheranhour.ca), or download the Lutheran Hour app.



**LUTHERAN HOSPITAL MINISTRIES** is offering free visitor training for all who are interested in serving God in this manner. Training will be held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church in the Parish Hall on May 9, 16 and 23rd from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Mark Rekken at 587-228-2597 or call the office at 403-264-4045 or by email at [lhmsac@gmail.com](mailto:lhmsac@gmail.com).

**MISSION OF THE MONTH: OUR LCC SEMINARIES**

Jesus bids us to "pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into His harvest" (Matthew 9:38, ESV). We help support that work by our support of seminaries: **Concordia Lutheran Seminary in Edmonton, AB** and **Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary in St. Catherines, ON**. Your gift to this Mission of the Month helps in the training and preparation of those who will be labourers in His harvest field. We also encourage your prayers for those workers. Do you know a young person who could serve the Lord as a pastor or deacon?

**PASTOR RUSS HOWARD** will be back for Divine Service at Foothills on **April 12**, and he will also be leading Sunday morning Adult Bible study beforehand. This time the lesson will be "**But in Fact**" from 1 Co 15:20, be there at **9am** to hear more on the historical basis for the Resurrection! Remember that Adult Bible studies continue to be offered every Sunday morning at 9am by Pastor Bode or Rob Kaut.

***A HOLY WEEK NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR ELECT:***

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ at Foothills,

Back in January, we read the Gospel of John chapter 1, where two of John the Baptist's disciples ask Jesus where He is staying, and Jesus responds with "come and you will see."

This Holy Week, all across the world, we gather together on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday. And for each of these days, regarding what takes place, the answer is "come and you will see." Whether you have been a part of this Holy Week every year since you were born, or you have never been there before, as (your soon-be-be) pastor, I want you to experience the intimacy of Maundy Thursday, as Jesus gives you the precious gift of His body and blood, just before He is betrayed. I want you to experience the sorrow and trouble Jesus endures as He prays in the Garden. Come and you will see. I want you to experience the passion of Good Friday afternoon, as God Himself dies in your place, on the cross, to set you free from the bondage of sin. Come and you will see. I want you to ponder the solemn darkness of Good Friday evening, and that tremendous sacrifice and the cost Jesus was willing to bear for us. I want you to experience the joy and celebration of Easter Sunday, with the empty tomb, as we rejoice with Jesus' victory over death and the grave and His gift of everlasting life. Come and you will see.

This week there are many good things you can experience, and what I want is the very best for you, and that would be to experience the love of Jesus, maybe even in new and different ways, in each and every service of the week. In these services you have the opportunity to experience the pure, unconditional love that Jesus has for you. He wants so many good things for you. He was willing to suffer and die so that you would have all these good things, especially forgiveness and eternal life. And these are the times and places where He freely gives these good things to you.

I love this time of year, and I love the opportunity to serve as pastor. As I experience my final Holy Week with the brothers and sisters at Peace, I look forward to experiencing the love of Jesus with you in the near future, and in Holy Week next year!

In Christ, Pastor Glenn

**CALL FOR APRIL GREETERS:** Thank you to everyone who volunteered to serve our Lord by greeting visitors and members in February and March. We still need greeters for April (especially after the service). Please consider whether the Lord is moving you to serve in this capacity. We also have the May - July sign up sheet posted on the worship bulletin board by Deaconess Miriam's office. Through the season of Easter, may we be moved to share the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection for us!

**CRAFT TEA ON TUESDAY, APRIL 14th!!** Bring something you're working on OR just come for tea and fellowship. Everyone is welcome!



**VBS 2026, "JESUS, BREAD OF LIFE"** will run **July 20-24**. Online registration is open at [www.foothillslutheran.com](http://www.foothillslutheran.com) and there are registration forms on the Welcome Desk. Invite grandchildren, neighbours and friends to join us! God has always blessed us with enough willing hearts and hands to run our summer VBS. If you are interested in volunteering as a teacher, classroom helper, or games leader, please contact Deaconess Miriam!



This week, we pray for **Rev. Van Ravy** who serves as assistant pastor at Christ Lutheran Church in Phnom Penh and also serves with Lutheran Hour Ministries.

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

**BILL C-9**, sometimes known as the hate speech bill, was passed in the House of Commons on March 25. On March 26, it passed the first reading in the senate. It seeks to remove the religious defense provision, impacting freedom of speech and freedom of religion in our country. This could potentially expose people of faith to criminal prosecution for reading aloud or teaching various passages of scripture. If you wish to give voice to your concern before the bill's second reading in the senate, [stopc9.ca](http://stopc9.ca) is a Christian website that facilitates contacting representatives in the senate if you are moved to do so.



Growing  
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## CONVERSATIONS

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

1. Imagine that you were one of the women who went to the tomb the first Easter morning. How do you think you would have felt?
2. What does it mean to you that Jesus has risen and is alive?



## BIBLE READINGS

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

<b>S</b>	<b>Matthew 28:1-10</b>	He has risen!
<b>M</b>	<b>1 Corinthians 15:1-8</b>	Witnesses to the risen Christ
<b>T</b>	<b>1 Corinthians 15:12-20</b>	Christ has been raised
<b>W</b>	<b>Mark 16:1-8</b>	Women go to the tomb
<b>T</b>	<b>Jeremiah 31:1-6</b>	The Lord will come
<b>F</b>	<b>Acts 10:34-43</b>	We are witnesses
<b>S</b>	<b>Psalm 118:1-2,14-24</b>	The Lord is my strength

## VERSE OF THE WEEK

The angel said to the women, "Don't be afraid! I know you are looking for Jesus, who was nailed to a cross. He isn't here! God has raised him to life, just as Jesus said he would."

MATTHEW 28:5-6





### CREATIVE RESPONSE

It is a custom in many churches to light a new Paschal Candle on Easter Sunday for use throughout the year ahead.

As an Easter week household activity, prepare your own Paschal Candle to use during the next year. Purchase a large white candle. Decide together on Christian symbols to place on the candle (include a cross and the year number in your design). Trace these symbols onto the candle with a felt-tip pen, and then use fabric paints to paint them on.

**Light the candle on the dates of church festivals and on your baptism anniversary dates.**



### MEALTIME PRAYER

Risen Lord, we thank you for the meal at this table and the celebration of Easter joy. Amen.



### PRAYER

Jesus we worship you as our risen Lord, help us to listen to you and do what you ask. Amen.



### ACTION RESPONSE

Is there someone in your congregation who doesn't have family nearby? Invite them to lunch and share Easter joy with them.



### BLESSING

May the risen Jesus replace your fears with joy, and raise you to new life with him.