

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 Day of Pentecost

May 24, 2026

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

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DPS: Deaconess Miriam Winstanley – miriam@foothillslutheran.com

Office Administrator: Jessica Tonn – office@foothillslutheran.com

Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Eldon Ohlinger

A Prayer Upon Entering: O Holy Spirit, heavenly dove, swoop down from above and soar through the world with Your wisdom, strength, and inspiration. Find a resting place, we pray, in our hearts, souls, and minds. And be for us a source of peace.

Spirit of God, take us to new heights.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE:As Projected

HYMNS:Open The Eyes of My Heart; 906; 913;
..... Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing; 650

FIRST LESSON:..... Numbers 11:24-30

EPISTLE LESSON:.....Acts 2:1-21

GOSPEL LESSON:..... John 7:37-39

WELCOME IN THE NAME OF JESUS! We come together today as brothers and sisters in Christ to hear His Word, to bring to Him our prayers and our praises and our offerings. Open your heart today to hear God speak; open your heart today to respond with love and gratitude. If you are visiting at Foothills today, we are glad that you have come. Please fill out a visitor card from your pew and join us again soon.

WE CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION NEXT SUNDAY: Jesus' true body and blood for the forgiveness of all our sins. We ask that all who plan to attend Holy Communion read the Holy Communion card and sign the friendship register.

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.

PASTOR GLENN WORCESTER INSTALLATION: We look forward in joy to the time when our new pastor will be installed. The date for Pastor Glenn's installation is July 5, 2026 at 4:00 pm. We will be working on other details in the coming days. Continue to keep the Worcester family in your prayers as they prepare to make their transition to Calgary.

FOOTHILLS LWMLC SOCIETY is meeting on Monday, May 25, 2026 at noon for some social time, a Bible study and short business meeting. All ladies are welcome!

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

- MUSICIANS**.....Deaconess Miriam Winstanley;
.....Contemporary Musicians; Oromo Choir; Foothills Lutheran Choir
- GREETERS** Diane Voss; Elke Bittmann
- USHERS**..... Elfrieda Heiden; John Voss
- LECTOR**.....Faith Dueck
- ACOLYTE**..... Aneilia
- A/V**..... Ralf Hinterleitner; Christine Heumann
- COFFEE TEAM** Robert Kubke; Ingrid Kubke
- ELDER** Tim Hohm
- GUEST PREACHER** Pastor Ephrem Gemta

THIS WEEK AT FLC

Monday	12:30 pm	LWMLC
Tuesday	10:00 am	Lifelight
	12:15 pm	Lunch Bunch
Thursday	7:00 pm	Ladies Bible Study
	1:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir
Saturday	9:00 am	LWMLC Zone Rally in Pincher Creek
Sunday	9:00 am	Christian Education Hour
	10:15 am	Sunday Worship with Communion Youth meeting after service

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital/ Hospice:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

Family Focus:

JOINT SERVICE WITH THE OROMOS: We thank our brothers and sisters of the Oromo congregation for joining us in worship today, and to Pastor Ephrem Gemta of the Oromo congregation for leading us in God’s Word.

ANNUAL MEETING: Our next Voter’s Meeting (our Annual Meeting) will be held **Sunday, June 7** following worship, not on June 14 as noted in the Calendar.

LAST WEEK AT FLC

Includes online participation

Week of:	Worship	Education Hour
May 17	160	7

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD’S GIFTS

Weekly Offering Needs	\$7,596.15	Our Budget Goal \$395,000.00
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$10,245.00	
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$139,134.45	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$144,326.92	\$-5,192.47

Non-Budget/Miscellaneous Gifts: Plate Offerings \$5.00; CLWR Refugee Sponsorship \$15.00; Concordia Seminary \$5.00; LWMLC \$30.00; National Youth Gathering \$60.00; Board of Fellowship \$30.30.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: (May 31). "A Friendly Recommendation" Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#). What happens when you find out that acquiring everything you've ever wanted... still isn't enough? **Genesis 1:26.** 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, or download the Lutheran Hour app.



VBS 2026, "JESUS, BREAD OF LIFE" will run **July 20-24**. Registration is open at www.foothillslutheran.com and there are forms on the Welcome Desk. Invite grandchildren, neighbours and friends to join us! If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Deaconess Miriam!

MISSION OF THE MONTH: NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING

Our May mission of the month supports our youth in preparation for the next National Youth Gathering in July of 2028. This helps cover the costs, including transportation, of those attending. This Gathering is an event sponsored by Lutheran Church-Canada, with the mission to provide opportunities for Lutheran youth to grow in faith and relationship with others as the body of Christ. Youth, leaders, and volunteers will join in corporate worship, study God's Word, be equipped through large and small group sessions, reach out to the community through servant events, and engage in fellowship and fun. Thank you for enabling our youth at Foothills to attend!



THE FLOWERS which beautify our altar this day, the Day of Pentecost, are given to the glory of God by Michael Vivek.

ELECTIONS: There are a few Parish planning council (PPC) and Elder positions that are up for election at this year's June meeting. Please let Dale Dusterhoft or Deaconess Miriam know if you are interested in letting your name stand or wish to nominate anyone for any of the following by May 11th.

President: 2-year term. Leads PPC and congregation. Responsible for presiding over voters' meetings, PPC meetings, and ensures the Parish

planning council is organized, working on the congregations' goals and objectives, and that the affairs of the congregation are run in an orderly fashion. Only a male member of our congregation can serve as President.

Board of Elders: 2-year term. We require a minimum of three nominations for our board of Elders but could accept more. The board of Elders is primarily responsible for the spiritual health of the congregation and work together to support and assist our ministry staff in bringing the word of Christ to our members and those that are lost. Only male members of our congregation can serve as Elders.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR POSITION: Our Office Administrator, Jessica Tonn, has been accepted into a Master's program at Concordia University, Montreal, this fall. We congratulate her on this opportunity! This means that we are hiring a new person to take on that role sometime in August. This is a 25-30 hour per week on-site position supporting the work of the congregation and the FLC staff. Familiarity with the Microsoft Office suite and database management is needed to be successful in the position. A job description is available on the Welcome Desk in the Narthex, or from Deaconess Miriam. If you are interested, please send resumes to our office email by June 15, 2026, at office@foothillslutheran.com. Applicants should be members of Foothills or one of our sister LCC congregations in Calgary.

LADIES BRING-A-FRIEND POTLUCK: June 5th, 4pm at Tobi Stene's: 247 Church Ranches Way. This event is for ladies of all ages. Please let us know if you plan to attend by writing your info on the sign-up sheet on the Fellowship board. We will be outdoors, weather permitting. There will be some seating available, but feel free to bring a lawn chair. For questions or any last-minute additions or cancellations please contact Kelly Dueck at 403-389-7702 or kel.frog@shaw.ca.

CALL FOR COUNTERS: We need volunteers to join our counters team. Contact Hans Dueck at hansdueck@hotmail.com or 403-714-4802 for details.

THE LUNCH BUNCH will meet at Chianti's in Crowfoot on Tuesday, May 26 at 12:15 pm. Sign up on the list provided outside the fellowship hall. Bring a friend if you like. (If you need to cancel after signing up, please let Betty Ann know.)



BOTTLES FOR CHANGE: Mainsprings Pregnancy and Family Support (previously the Calgary Pregnancy Care Center) is holding their annual baby bottle campaign. By filling a bottle, you provide support and bring hope to young families facing challenges in our community. Pick up a bottle on Mother's Day (May 10), fill with cash/ cheque and return on Father's Day (June 21). You can also donate online via e-transfer accounting@mainsprings.com or <https://secure.qgiv.com/for/mainsprings/>



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. 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.

BILL C9: The pause is over and time is short. **Please pray** that as the senate committee now begins to hear witnesses speaking on Bill C-9 this week, that senators' hearts would be moved to either remove the amendment that seeks to cancel the protection of people of faith speaking and teaching their beliefs without fear of criminal charges **OR** that this bill will not pass the third and final vote in the senate. As the bill reads at present, pastors, church workers, and anyone who teaches or reads aloud various passages from the Bible would potentially be at risk. Please pray that freedom of speech and freedom of religion is retained in our country. If you feel so moved, consider contacting those on the senate committee and in the senate as a whole, in various ways as suggested at 4mycanada.ca or stopc9.ca.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! The Sunday School is once more doing a Servant Event for their end of year project, June 21, 2026. We are collecting the following items to create "Dinner in a Bag" to give away. Please drop any of the following items in the box below the bulletin board beside Deaconess Miriam's office by June 14, 2026. Garlic & Herb biscuit mix (Red Lobster Cheddar Bay mix is great too); large cans of chicken; tins of peas & carrots; tins of diced potatoes; cans of Evaporated milk; cans of Cream of Chicken soup. Thank you for your support of the Sunday School.

VOLUNTEER JOB BOARD: We have installed a volunteer job board in the fellowship hall. If you need any volunteers or want to volunteer to help in the church, please post it on the board. Most of the time, volunteer commitments will be short term, and the job board should help connect people who need something done with those who want to help out in the church.



The Holy Spirit
has come to
live and work
in us



CONVERSATIONS

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

1. Share an experience you have had with wind or with fire.
2. When God gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to the first Christians on the day of Pentecost, a strong wind came from heaven and tongues of fire came to rest on them (Acts 2:1-21). How were the believers changed?



BIBLE READINGS

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

S	Acts 2:1-21	The Holy Spirit comes
M	Joel 2:18-29	God will pour out his Spirit
T	Ezekiel 39:7-8,21-29	The Spirit is promised
W	Acts 4:5-21	Peter and John give witness
T	Acts 4:23-31	The believers pray for boldness
F	1 Corinthians 12:3b-13	Unity and Diversity in the body
S	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	Wonder at God's creation

VERSE OF THE WEEK

But everyone who calls on the name
of the Lord will be saved.

ACTS 2:21



CREATIVE RESPONSE

1 Corinthians 12:4-11 tells us that the Holy Spirit gives special gifts to all believers to use in serving him.

For each member of your household, draw a large dove figure on white card and cut it out. In your home devotion times this week, take a few minutes to talk about the gifts you see in each other.

Write these gifts onto the doves. Display them on your bedroom doors. Say prayers of thanks to God for the gifts he has given to each member of your household. As an additional activity, decorate your home with flames cut from red, yellow and orange paper, or with streamers of these colours.



MEALTIME PRAYER

Come, Spirit of God and be our guest, our table to grace and our food to bless.
Amen.



PRAYER

Spirit of God, please work in us today. Please use our gifts to bless others. Amen.



ACTION RESPONSE

In 1 Corinthians 12:7 we learn that the Holy Spirit gives us gifts to use to help all people.

Have a discussion about how members of your household are using their God-given gifts for the sake of others.



BLESSING

May the Lord Jesus give you the Spirit of peace and joy.