

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”



Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

August 9, 2026

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

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A Prayer Upon Entering: In the storms of life, O Lord, may we come to You and take Your hand, and let You guide us to safety. Free us from the fears that would paralyze us and stop us from seeking help from You. In all situations, may we always seek Your face.
O Christ, ever near, draw near to help.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE:As Projected
HYMNS: Ancient Words; Psalm 46 (Lord of Hosts); Your Love Never Fails; Lord from Sorrows Deep I Call (Psalm 42); My Lighthouse
FIRST LESSON:..... Job 38:4-18
EPISTLE LESSON:.....Romans 10:5-17
GOSPEL LESSON:.....Matthew 14:22-33
SERMON:.....Can I Walk on Water? Matthew 14:22-33

SUMMER IS A TIME FOR REST AND REFRESHMENT, vacations and leisure activities. It is spiritually refreshing to gather together with God’s people and to hear and reflect on God’s Word, and the promises and strength that we find there. One of our hymns (The Lutheran Hymnal # 9, v. 3) calls Sunday “a day of resurrection from earth to things above.” Indeed, as we worship God in the company of our brothers and sisters in Christ, our thoughts turn from the regular, worldly thoughts to thoughts of God and things spiritual. May this time spent in God’s house today refresh your spirit and equip you to live purposefully as God’s child in the days to come. If you are visiting with us today, we are certainly glad to have you join us! Please fill out a visitor card from your pew and be sure to come and worship with us again soon.

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.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

MUSIC	Contemporary Musicians
USHERS	Brian Vincent; Tim Roth
LECTOR	Ralf Hinterleitner
GREETERS	Micheal Vivek
COUNTERS	Ralf Hinterleitner

THIS WEEK AT FLC

Today	9:00 am	Adult Study
	10:15 am	Worship
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Ladies' Walk & Devotion
Sunday	9:00 am	Adult Study
	10:15 am	Worship with Communion

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

In Hospital/ Hospice:

Homebound:

For Special Intercession:

Family Focus:

LOST PHONE – Your Help Would Be Appreciated: A member of our community has unfortunately lost their phone and is hoping it may find its way back to them. They lost their phone on the church property during the week of VBS and are hopeful that someone picked it up and still has it. Please see Pastor Glenn if you have any information to share. Your honesty and kindness would be deeply appreciated. Thank you for looking out for one another and helping make our community a caring and supportive place.

LAST WEEK AT FLC*Includes online participation*

Week of:	Worship	Education Hour
August 2, 2026	161	18

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS

Weekly Offering Needs	\$7,596.15	Our Budget Goal
Envelope Gifts Received Last Week	\$8,507.00	\$395,000.00
Envelope Gifts Received to Date	\$219,093.37	+/- YTD
Total Offerings Needed to Date	\$227,884.62	-\$8,791.25

Non-Budget/Miscellaneous Gifts: Plate offerings \$30.00; Visitor offerings \$685.00; CLWR \$80.00; Concordia Seminary \$80.00; LWML-C Mites \$25.00; Mustard Seed \$1,225.00; Lutherans for Life \$20.00; Board of Fellowship \$350.00.

MISSION OF THE MONTH
THE MUSTARD SEED

The Mustard Seed Calgary offers programs and services to help homeless men and women rebuild their lives. In the past, we have had a team serve dinner. Please see the board of Human Care Ministries in the narthex, or talk to Christine Heumann about how to give items and support.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: (August 16), "**Look at Me**". Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#). Archives August—God hears our cry for justice, not as an indifferent judge, but as our merciful heavenly Father. **Luke 18:1-8**. 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.

OROMO DONATION: It was confirmed last week that we had a quorum at the special voters meeting on July 26. The resolution to officially approve the donation to the Oromo church was therefore approved by the voters at this meeting.

NEW FLOWER GUILD MEMBER: With joy and gratitude, the FLC Flower Guild welcomes McKenna Bablitz, who has prayerfully decided to join the guild. We request the congregation to pray for, support and encourage McKenna as she serves the Lord with her gifts and talents.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD AT FLC IS UNDER WAY! OCC is an outreach ministry of Samaritan's Purse. Shoe boxes are filled with hygiene items, school supplies, toys, and a “wow” item for children living in poverty, war zones or experiencing the fallout from natural disasters. Boxes sent from Canada are destined for Costa Rica, Nicaragua, El Salvador, The Gambia, Cape Verde, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Philippines and Ukraine. The gospel message is also shared. Boxes, brochures/labels, and item lists for OCC are on the table by Deaconess Miriam's office. There will be a bin under the table for any extra items. Please pray over your box, that it will go to the child God intended it; to go to.

Please return your boxes to FLC no later than November 22. Talk to Elke Bittmann at church or email her at for further information.

GREETERS NEEDED: Welcome greeters will help visitors with any questions they may have, direct them to a seat in the sanctuary, and tell them about fellowship coffee after service. If possible, they will also introduce them to other members to make them feel welcome in our church. **Please contact Elke Bittmann if you have an interest in being a welcome greeter.**

THANK YOU The LAMP: team that stayed overnight at FLC last weekend would like to thank our congregation for your hospitality and generosity when they were stranded in Canada on the way home to California.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED: God has always blessed us with faithful Sunday School teachers. We are looking for some new teachers for the fall. If you love children and love God's Word and are interested in combining those two in a teaching role, please speak with Deaconess Miriam to learn more about the role.



This week, we pray for **Rev. Cesar Augusto Galeano** who serves as pastor for the Church Luterna Jesus Our Savior in Santa Patricia, Nicaragua.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, as Your Son sent forth His Church to make disciples in all nations, we lift up before You, Pastor Galeano, 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.

KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

P: LET US PRAY TO THE LORD



What is the "Prayer of the Church"?

The Prayer of the Church, or the "general prayer" as it's sometimes called, is the part in the service where the pastor leads us through a series of petitions, or prayers, with responses from the congregation. For example, after each petition the pastor may say: "Let us pray to the Lord," and the congregation may respond with "Lord, have mercy." See if you can find the Prayer of the Church in your hymnal. Try to find the other response that the pastor and congregation might say.

R: LORD, HAVE MERCY



Why do we do this in the Divine Service?

Do you know anyone who needs praying for? Wouldn't you like to have the rest of the congregation praying for that person too? During the Prayer of the Church, we pray for all of the people of our congregation, particularly those who are sick and shut-in. We also pray for our missionaries, for our government, for all believers and many others. No wonder it's called the Prayer of the Church!



Parents: Before the Divine Service, remind your children to pay close attention to the words of the prayers. Encourage them to join in the responses with the rest of the congregation. Try using these responses in your prayers at home.





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PROPER 14

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Jesus has the
power to help
and to save



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Sunday between
July 31 and August 6



CONVERSATIONS

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

1. Matthew 14:29-30 tells us that Peter stepped out of a boat to walk on water, but soon became scared because of the wind and waves. What are some 'winds' or 'waves' in your life at the moment?
2. How does Jesus help us when we are in trouble?



BIBLE READINGS

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

S	Matthew 14:22-33	Jesus walks on water
M	Job 38:1-11	God halts the waves
T	Psalm 107:23-32	He stilled the storm
W	Matthew 8:23-27	Jesus stills the storm
T	Genesis 27:1-28	Jacob's blessing
F	Romans 10:5-15	Declare the word
S	Psalm 85:8-13	I will listen to the Lord

VERSE OF THE WEEK

But Jesus quickly spoke to
them, "Have courage! It is I.
Do not be afraid."

MATTHEW 14:27





CREATIVE RESPONSE

Jesus came to the disciples in the middle of the night and calmed their fears. Bedtimes are special opportunities for household members to talk, listen, share and pray with one another.

This week make an effort to engage with one another around bedtimes. Pray that Jesus will come and remain with you during the night, and calm any 'storms' that those in your household may be experiencing.

Recite together the words of Psalm 4:8 –

"I can lie down and sleep soundly because you, Lord, will keep me safe."



ACTION RESPONSE

Romans 10:15 says; "the feet of those who bring the Good News are beautiful".

Do you know a Christian serving as a missionary overseas or in another part of your country? Take a deeper look at the work of different missionaries in Australia together this week. Commit to praying for them over the coming weeks.

You can find a prayer calendar on the LCA International Mission page.
<http://www.lcamission.org.au/>



MEALTIME PRAYER

Thank you for this food and your care today; lead us, Jesus, in your way. Amen.



PRAYER

Jesus you are truly the Son of God. Please take us by the hand and rescue us from trouble. Amen.



BLESSING

May the Lord Jesus take hold of you when you are scared. May he give you faith to trust in him.