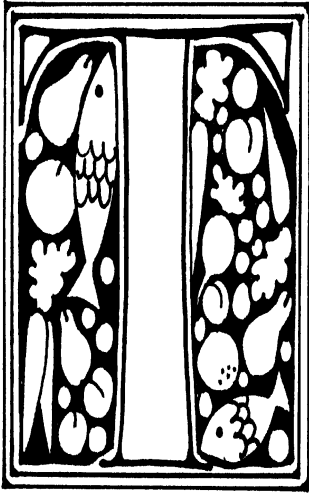


# Foothills Lutheran Church

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



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S E R V I C E

*Thanksgiving Sunday*

*October 8, 2017*

Education Hour: ..... 9:00 am

Morning Worship with Communion: (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>) ..... 10:15 am

Wednesday Evening Worship: ..... 6:30 pm

**A Prayer Upon Entering:** From our inmost being, we praise you, O God. May we forget not all your benefits to us. May we see your abundant, steadfast love at work in our lives. And may we rejoice in all the good things you do to satisfy our desires, renew our strength, and remove our sins. For your care is everywhere and your kingdom encompasses all.

***OUR WORSHIP TODAY***

- ORDER OF SERVICE:** .....As Projected
- HYMNS:** .....902; 783; 811; 894; 794
- FIRST LESSON:** Isaiah 5:1-7..... Pg. 724
- SECOND LESSON:** Philippians 3:4b-14..... Pg. 1249
- GOSPEL LESSON:** Matthew 21:33-46..... Pg.1050
- SERMON:** Called to Thanksgiving – Philippians 4:6-9

**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 in the Narthex. 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 week at our Wednesday service. 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 Wednesday's service.

**THE NURSERY** is available for times that children are restless, and is equipped with a sound system to enable parents to continue worshipping.

**LARGE PRINT HYMNS AND SERVICE** are available for your use. Please pick one up from the tables at the back of the sanctuary, or ask an usher for a copy.

**CHILDREN'S BULLETINS**, crayons, scrap paper and busy bags are available on the bookshelves by the sanctuary doors for children to use during worship.

**JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND CONVERSATION** following our worship this morning. Take a few moments to catch up with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

**LAST WEEK AT FLC**

<b>Week of:</b>	<b>Sunday w/Communion</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Education Hour</b>
October 1	215/168	13	85

**SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:**

Sanctuary Greeters ..... Eldon & Marian Ohlinger; Tim & Tracy Roth  
 Narthex Greeters ..... Dave & Belinda Perrin; Don & Barb Oatway  
 Acolyte ..... ushers  
 Lector ..... Pastor Bode  
 Counter.....Gary Ring  
 Coffee Team..... Mark Kihn; Art Hanger; Ron & Diane Voss;  
 ..... Liane Voss-Roper

**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

**In Hospital:** No one at the moment. *Praise the Lord!*

**Homebound:**

**For Special Intercession:**

**For Our Missions:** Thank God for the parent volunteers who take turns being in our classroom every day to be a blessing to the children.

**Family Focus:**

**TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL** “The Wisdom of Solomon” serves as the focus of the Sunday School lesson for today. Solomon, though wise, needed what we and all sinners need: Christ. Wisdom Himself, and the forgiveness He brings. Consider discussing, “*Tell me an example of Solomon’s wisdom. How has God shown you His wisdom?*”

**PRESCHOOL CELEBRATION AND TACO-IN-A-BAG FUNDRAISER:**

After worship on October 15, join the youth for lunch in the Fellowship Hall! The popular taco-in-a-bag fundraiser is returning, and for a donation of \$8, you can enjoy a bagged taco, a drink, and a dessert square. Funds raised will go toward a special project to celebrate the Preschool’s 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The coffee team will still be providing the usual refreshments, too!

**NAME TAGS:** Are you in need of a name tag? If so, please let us know either by contacting the office at [office@foothillslutheran.com](mailto:office@foothillslutheran.com) or calling 403-284-1342. All are encouraged to wear their name tag Sunday mornings.

## This Week at FLC

<b>Today:</b>		<b>Thanksgiving Sunday</b>
	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Worship
<b>Monday</b>		Office Closed
<b>Tuesday:</b>	10:00 am	LifeLight – 1, 2, 3 John
	7:00 pm	LifeLight - Romans
<b>Wednesday:</b>	1:30 pm	Silver Saints Open House Tea
	6:30 pm	Worship with Communion
	7:30 pm	Choir
<b>Thursday:</b>		Pastor Bode and Deaconess Miriam depart for Synodical Convention (Oct 13-16)
<b>Friday:</b>	5:30 pm	Youth Corn Maze
<b>Sunday:</b>	9:00 am	Education Hour
	10:15 am	Worship with Communion
	11:45 am	Taco-In-A-Bag Fundraiser

**FROM DR. MARTIN: Matt. 21:33–46** “When the world hears, then, that its highest gifts are disapproved by the Gospel and then only this King is commended, it is not only offended, but even prepares weapons and strives with all its might to vindicate its own gifts against this affront. This is the occasion for the bitterest conflicts; thus the world and this King attack each other with hostile hearts, with this result, about which Psalm 118:22 prophesies: ‘The Stone which the builders rejected has become the chief Cornerstone.’” LW 12:62 (56 vols.; St. Louis: Concordia Publishing House and Philadelphia Fortress Press, 1955–1986).

### **MISSION OF THE MONTH:** *Cameroon Mission Trip*

We have already announced the formation of a mission team to travel to Cameroon in January to support the work of Pastor Mike and Kara Kuhn with Lutheran Bible Translators. We rejoice that Deaconess Miriam has agreed to go on the trip, and that the Elders are supporting this effort to assist the church at large. Your gifts will help defer the personal costs of airfare and accommodations for Deaconess and will support the team as a whole. Keep this effort in prayer, and rejoice in the opportunities this gives, both to support *our* missionaries in the field, and to help share that good news of Jesus Christ with the people of Cameroon.

**LUTHERAN HOSPITAL MINISTRIES SOUTHERN ALBERTA:** If you wish a copy of the latest newsletter please let us know and an electronic version can be sent to you. There is a budget meeting on October 21<sup>st</sup> and if you are interested in attending this important meeting please let the Pastor know.

**TIME AWAY FROM THE OFFICE:** Pastor Eric and Kayla are away on vacation returning October 12<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Bode and Deaconess Miriam will be attending the Synodical Convention in Kitchener. Deaconess will be out of the office October 11<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> and Pastor Bode will be away October 12<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>.

**THE 11<sup>TH</sup> CONVENTION OF LUTHERAN CHURCH–CANADA** will be held October, 13-16, 2017 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Kitchener, Ontario. The theme for the convention and for the next three years is **Christ Alone, Christ Forever**. A major part of the convention will be a discussion on the restructuring of synod. Please keep the delegates representing our churches in your prayers—both for safe travel, and for wisdom and guidance in all that we do to walk together, in service to the Lord and to one another. May He bless our church, in all we do in His name.

Our Calgary circuit representatives are Robert Felstead (Shepherd of the Valley, Canmore); Larry Walters (Shepherd of the Hills, Airdrie), Pastor David Dressler (Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd); Pastor Bode. Deaconess Miriam is an advisory delegate, representing the deacons of the church.

**OUR FRONT TO BACK BIBLE STUDY** is a great way to join others in reading through the Bible. Our programme outline gives us a two year cycle, and we've just started again. We invite you to join us Thursdays at 7:00 pm as we share our questions and insights from God's holy Word. We meet at the Bodes' home. For more information, or to get a reading guide, please speak to Pastor Bode. **Please Note: There is no class this Thursday, as pastor is at the LCC Convention.**

**THE ANNUAL YOUTH RETREAT** is at Foothills on November 3-5, and the theme is TRANSFORMED, based on Romans 12:2. We're looking for youth to register (by October 15) and people to volunteer in the kitchen. Visit [www.lutheranyouthretreat.ca](http://www.lutheranyouthretreat.ca) for more information, or talk to a youth leader (Pastor Eric, Kayla, Michelle, or Trevor).



**YOUTH CORN MAZE:** On October 13, meet at the church to leave for Cobb's at 5:30pm. Bring a flashlight, warm clothes, money for a snack and \$12.50 for admission—and your friends. We'll then come back to the church to prep for the **Taco-in-a-Bag Fundraiser**. Pickup is at the church at 10pm. RSVP to Michelle or Pastor Eric before the 12<sup>th</sup> so we can make sure we have enough drivers.

**OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH:** To show our appreciation for Pastor Bode, Pastor Eric and Deaconess Miriam, there will be a PIE fellowship event on October 22nd. If you are interested in providing a pie for this event, please see the sign-up sheet on the Fellowship Board or contact Heather Sommers.

**MISSING A BOWL OR SERVING PLATE?** All the miscellaneous homeless bowls, containers and plates brought by members will be on display in the Narthex. Please take your item home or it will be donated to the kitchen or a charity. Thank you.

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR SUNDAY**, October 15<sup>th</sup>: (1 Corinthians 1:26-31) “Luther the Man: Called by God to Boast in Him” Although Martin Luther is widely regarded as one of the most influential people of the last 500 years, he knew he was no big deal, compared to Christ. Hear this inspirational message on CHR 1140/am at 8:00 am Sunday mornings. Streaming audio and pod-casts at [www.lutheranhour.ca](http://www.lutheranhour.ca)

**OUR CONGREGATION WILL HOST THE CIRCUIT REFORMATION SERVICE**, on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm, with Rev. Robert Bugbee as our guest preacher. We will also have a mass choir from our circuit congregations. The offering for this service will support the work of Lutheran Hour Ministries. Join us for this special service, as we celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation, as we rejoice in *Christ Alone, Christ Forever*.

**REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP FUND** is at \$29,500+. With hearts full of thankfulness for all that God has given us, we have the chance to meet the goal of \$30,000 to sponsor a family of 4 by October 31<sup>st</sup>. Today, we ask that you donate a loonie or toonie - that's all!. Baskets are placed at the back of the Sanctuary. Of course if you wish to receive a tax receipt for a larger donation, please use a Visitors' envelope and clearly indicate “Refugee Sponsorship” along with your name. Blessings to all who have already donated to this fund.



**IT IS THANKSGIVING DAY. FOR WHAT ARE WE THANKFUL?** Health, loved ones, shelter, food, and the nice things of life. Not only these, but more—infinitely more. Take them all away, and we still have

the grace of God which is with us in want as well as in plenty. He comes to us when we have nothing, and gives us the gift of His perfect righteousness. God is the source of every good and perfect gift. As you celebrate this weekend, give that extra word of thanks to Him, for all His goodness!

**PASTOR BODE IS PLANNING ANOTHER “FUNERAL PLANNING WORKSHOP”** which will give us an opportunity to discuss such questions as, “What is a funeral?” “Does it matter whether I am cremated or buried?” “What do we need to do when someone dies?” We will also discuss how your funeral can be a testimony of faith. We're looking at a November date. Please let Pastor Bode know if you are interested in this event.



**SUPPORT OUR CAMPUS MINISTRY!** We praise God for the work Pastor Eric is engaged in at the U of C campus! This is a mission we, the church, can help with. Here's how:

- We can **pray** for the students and for Pastor Eric. For the next 8 weeks Pastor Eric is leading Bible studies each Thursday at the campus. Pray for the Holy Spirit to fill the students and strengthen them in the Word.
- We can **prepare** a light lunch for the students (approx. 15-20 students) and drop it off at FLC. This could be sandwiches, fruit or muffins.
- We can **volunteer** to help cook a dinner for the students Friday, October 20th. We will be hosting a dinner for up to 30 students in our Fellowship Hall. If you are moved to help with a lunch or the dinner, please contact Stacey Bablitz at sbablitz@shaw.ca or call 403-686-7112.

**PRESCHOOL CELEBRATION & TACO-IN-A-BAG - OCT 15<sup>TH</sup>** : Join us to celebrate our preschool's 15th anniversary immediately following the service. Come and learn about what our preschool has been up to, and join in on our taco-in-a-bag fundraiser (hosted by the youth). The funds raised will go towards a special gift for the preschool to help them share the Gospel.

**MEALS FOR MEMBERS - HELPING HANDS - OCT 21<sup>ST</sup>**: Thank you to everyone who has signed up for this event! It is shaping up to be a great day. We could still use 2 or 3 more people to help in the kitchen, and there are a couple of grocery items still needed. **Reminders:**

- if you sign up to purchase groceries, please record your name beside the item on the bulletin board master list, then use the paper slips provided for you to record your decision and the details, i.e. Size, Amount, Where to Purchase;
- do not bring the perishable food until the Wednesday before;
- please place the labels provided on the items you bring, especially if they are perishable and are placed in the fridge (lest they get used for other purposes);
- bring your favorite potato peeler if helping in the kitchen 😊.

2 Corinthians 9:12: *This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God.*

# Vestments

## Q: What do we call the clothes the Pastor wears?

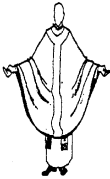
**A:** The pastor wears different clothing we know as *Vestments*. There are a variety of different vestments, and they may have specific liturgical functions. They do set the pastor apart from the congregation, but they actually assist the congregation in placing less emphasis on the person of the pastor and his personal style, and more on the office of the pastor. Clergy vestments that we typically see are:



Alb & Stole

**Alb:** A white, ankle-length garment which is the oldest Christian vestment. The basic eucharistic (communion) vestment, the whiteness symbolizes the purity of Christ.

**Stole:** A Sacramental vestment, stoles are long, narrow bands in the colour or the liturgical day/season. These are worn only by ordained clergy as a sign of their ordination, and symbolizes the yoke of obedience to Christ.



Chasuble

**Chasuble:** While our pastor doesn't wear a chasuble, it is a vestment worn by the celebrant of Holy Communion. A very full vestment in the colour of the liturgical day/season, it is worn like a poncho over the alb. The chasuble symbolizes charity and the seamless robe of Christ which covers the sin of all the world.

Again, in wearing vestments, the pastor covers his own sinfulness and personality, to stand as the servant of the Lord, ministering to God's people. We sometimes think that these vestments make the pastor stand out, but they don't make the pastor special, but rather they remind God's people that the message of forgiveness and life which the pastor brings is special, coming from the Lord, who uses pastors to bring His gifts to His people.

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