NOVEMBER 8, 2026

FOOTHILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH



TEACHING GENERATIONS TO GLORIFY GOD BY REACHING THE LOST AND TRANSFORMING THE FOUND

- Soli Deo Gloria -

Announcements

At Foothills, there is something for everybody.
Not everybody has to do everything,
but everybody gets to do something.

Today:

- 9:00 Sunday School for all ages.
- 10:30 Worship in the sanctuary.

This Week:

Monday:

- 6:00 pm, "Oliver! The Musical" Rehearsals. See Ella H. for more information.
- 6:00 pm, Mercy Ministry Team Meeting in the Fireside Room. See Daniel B. with any questions.

Wednesday:

- 6:20 am, Men's Prayer-time, at Loftus Dental.
- 5:30 pm, Kids' Quest and Middle School Youth, for grades pre-k—8th. Meal provided.
- 6:15 pm, High School Youth Group, grades 9-12th, at the Community Center. Meal provided.
- 6:30 pm, "Ecclesiastes" study during Kids' Quest. A nursery for ages 0-3 is available during this time.

Thursday:

- 6:00 pm, "Oliver! The Musical" Rehearsals. See Ella H. for more information.

Saturday:

- 7:00 am, Men's Prayer-time. Meal provided.

Mark Your Calendar:

- 6:00 pm, November 15th, "Ecclesiastes" Small Groups. We have three meeting places to choose from based on your location: Spearfish, at the Church, or in Piedmont. See a pastor for more information.
- November 22nd, there will be no morning refreshments; please plan your family's breakfast accordingly.
- November 22nd, no Children's Church. Clipboards are available to assist in taking notes.
- November 22nd, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper.
- Following worship, November 22nd, Thanksgiving Meal and Fellowship.
- November 25th, there will be no Wednesday Evening Activities.
- November 29th, there will be no Sunday School.
- 11:00 am-1:00 pm, December 5th, Christmas Women's Fellowship. Soup lunch, Box Talk/Devotional, ceramic ornament painting, and other surprises! Make plans to attend this wonderful annual event! RSVPs will be needed to plan for food and craft items. Contact Carey for more information.
- 6:00 pm, December 6th, Cookies and Carols at Rally Point. See Jay H. if you are able to help.

Other Announcements:

- If you would like to add any announcements to the page, please submit the information to the church office by 9:00 am Wednesday.
- FCC has over 100 prayer warriors who would be honored to place your prayer request before the throne of God. If you have a prayer request that you'd like sent out on the prayer chain, please text or call Debbie S..

Order of the Worship of God

*Hearing Assistance is available. See Sound Booth to connect.

We Gather Together to Worship our God

Worship begins by God calling and welcoming us into his presence for covenant renewal. Everything we say and do in worship is in response to God's revealing himself to us through his word and his Spirit among us. We worship not in our own strength, but in the name of Christ, whose worship of the Father alone is perfect. We call upon the name of the Lord to worship him in spirit and in truth.

Prelude: Eternal Father, Strong to Save/ The Navy Hymn—John B. Dykes

Gathering Hymn: God is For Us

Greeting and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship: Psalm 96

Leader: Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

All: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples! For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.

Leader: For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary. Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!

All: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts! Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Praise: Red Hymnal #441 Jesus Shall Reign

We Confess Our Faith

We express together the truths of our faith that we hold fast to.

Heidelberg Catechism Question 1

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong— body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

We Confess Our Sin

Even though we're sinful, we are called to boldly approach the Holy God in Christ, confident of his promise to forgive all who confess sin and turn to him for mercy. With our confession barely off our lips, God proclaims his forgiving grace in Christ. With hearts lifted up in wonder, we raise our voices in song to our risen King.

Call to Confession: 2 Chronicles 7:14

> Leader: If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

> **All: Eternal God, our Judge and Redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from You, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves and apart from You. We have turned from our neighbors and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In Your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose Your will and obey Your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 103:8-12

> Leader: The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

Hymn of Assurance: Red Hymnal #500 Rock of Ages

We Give Thanks To The Lord

In response to God's merciful generosity found in Christ, we give our tithes and offerings to the Lord to be distributed for his work and glory; we are dependent on God for all we have and are, and we respond in gratitude.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: Patriotic Medley (Battle Cry of Freedom with Battle Hymn of the Republic) Julia Ward Howe

She was a leader in women's rights and an ardent foe of slavery. During the darkest days of the Civil War, Julia heard soldiers singing a tribute to John Brown, who had been hanged in 1859 for attempting to lead an insurrection of slaves at Harper's Ferry. "John Brown's body lies a-moldering in the grave."

Julia's pastor asked her to rewrite the song with new and better verses. "I went to bed and laid quite still until the last verse was completed. Having completed this, I lay down but not before feeling that something of importance had happened to me." Julia sold her song to The Atlantic Monthly for five dollars.

Doxology

We Hear God Speak

We seek to be fed a balanced diet of the whole counsel of God. We respond to the Word with prayers, not only for ourselves, but for all peoples, and turn our hearts to hear the Word preached.

Small Talk

(At this time, a nursery is available for ages 0-3, and Children's Church for ages 4-8.)

The Lord's Prayer & Prayer of God's People

Tenants Who Think They Are Owners Luke 20: 9 – 18

Hymn of Response: Red Hymnal #585 Take My Life and Let It Be

We Are Dismissed with God's Blessing

We are ever dependent on God's blessing and help to live faithfully for the glory of Christ and the good of our neighbor. We are sent forth with God's blessing to labor in God's mission in the week ahead.

Benediction

Sending Hymn: Red Hymnal #386 God Be With You Till We Meet Again (verse 1)

Postlude

~ FAMILY DISCUSSION QUESTIONS~

1. Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1 confesses, "I am not my own, but belong—body and soul—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ," while modern culture echoes Virginia Satir's creed: "I own me, and therefore I can engineer me." In what areas of your daily life, Monday through Saturday, are you most tempted to live out Satir's creed rather than Heidelberg's confession? What emotional toll does that take on you?
2. The vineyard was cleared, planted, and prepared entirely by the owner before the tenants ever set foot on the soil. How does recognizing that your existence, gifts, and opportunities are prior gifts of God's initiative free you from the anxiety of having to build your own worth from scratch?
3. The sermon noted that our children, careers, finances, intellect, and bodies are not our property, but gracious entrustments to steward for the King. Which of these areas do you find hardest to hold with open hands, and what makes surrender in that specific area feel risky?
4. The tenants believed that eliminating the heir would secure the inheritance for themselves. In what subtle ways do we buy into the lie that sidelining God's authority over our decisions will make us freer, more secure, or more satisfied?
5. The tenants mistreated every messenger sent by the owner. The sermon described four types of messengers God sends us today: imperfect parents, church leaders, faithful friends, and providential hardships (illness, disruptions, delays). Which of these messengers are you most tempted to "beat up," criticize, or dismiss to protect your illusion of control?
6. Defensiveness or anger often flares up when our autonomy is challenged. Can you identify a recent moment when you felt "self-protective fury"? What does that reaction reveal about a lingering distrust of God's goodness?
7. Jesus was cast outside the city gates of Jerusalem to absorb the judgment deserved by rebellious tenants. How does meditating on His voluntary surrender in your place dismantle the suspicion that God is an exacting, grasping landlord who wants to exploit you?
8. In ancient architecture, the cornerstone bore the weight of the entire structure. What does it look like practically for you to rest the total weight of your anxieties, family concerns, and future plans on Jesus, rather than trying to hold everything in your own grip?
9. The sermon defined biblical repentance not as self-flagellation or beating yourself up in shame, but as the quiet, joyful relief of realizing: "I am not okay on my own, and my life gets to come under the good ownership of Christ." How does this understanding change the way you confess your failures and receive correction?


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