NOVEMBER 22, 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.
- Today and November 29th, no Children's Church. Clipboards are available to assist in taking notes.
- We will celebrate the Lord's Supper.
- Following worship, Thanksgiving Meal and Fellowship.

This Week:

Monday:

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

Wednesday:

- 6:20 am, Men's Prayer-time, at Loftus Dental.
- Wednesday Evening Activities resume next Wednesday, December 2nd.

Saturday:

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

Mark Your Calendar:

- November 29th, there will be no Sunday School.
- 6:00 pm, November 29th, "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.
- 7:00 pm, December 3rd, we will begin offering a new Evangelism Training in the Fireside Room. If you are interested in learning more about sharing your faith with others, we would love for you to join us. Meeting dates are December 3rd, December 10th, December 17th, January 7th, and January 14th. Please contact Steve A. if you plan on attending or if you have any questions.
- 11:00 am-1:00 pm, December 5th, Christmas Women's Fellowship. Soup lunch, Box Talk/Devotional, ceramic ornament painting, cookie exchange, 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: All Creatures of Our God and King (in the style of Haydn) Geistliche Kirchengesang

Gathering Hymn: Red Hymnal #363 We Gather Together

Greeting and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship: Psalm 136:1,3,23,26

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

All: For His steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord of lords.

All: For His steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: It is He who remembered us in our low estate, for His steadfast love endures forever.

All: Give thanks to the God of heaven. For His steadfast love endures forever.

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Praise: Red Hymnal #98 Now Thank We All Our God

We Confess Our Faith

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

The Apostles' Creed

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: Philippians 4:4-6

> Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

> **All: God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ You came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our doubt and renew our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of Your grace and live in the truth of Christ the Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon: John 7:37-38; 8:12

> Leader: On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’” Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

Hymn of Assurance: Red Hymnal #693 Blessed Assurance

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)

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

Are You Satisfied with Just Whiffs of Joy? Luke 20: 27 - 40

Hymn of Response: Black Hymnal #471 There is One Gospel

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper

We share in the bread of fellowship because Christ's body has been broken for us and the cup is the new covenant in Christ's blood. As we receive and partake of these covenantal signs and seals, we are renewed in covenant with God and with one another, proclaiming the Lord's death until he returns. Foothills Community Church welcomes all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sin and who are trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation to receive Communion with us. If you are not able to take Communion, we invite you to use this time to pray before God.

The Bread (gluten-free)
The Cup (The outer ring contains wine while the inner rings contain grape juice)

Hymn of Response: Keep the Feast

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: 'Tis a Gift To Be Simple/Shaker Melody

They called themselves the *United Society of Believers in Christ's Second Appearing*, but because of their ecstatic dancing, the world called them Shakers. They are the most enduring religious experiment in American history. They believed in pacifism and feminism, freedom from prejudice, natural health and hygiene, and for more than 200 years insisted that their followers should strive for simplicity and perfection in everything that they did. The Shakers put their "hands to work and their hearts to God," creating an exquisite legacy of fine furniture, glorious architecture, and beautiful music.

Doxology

Hymn of Thanksgiving: (Psalm 92) It is Good to Give Thanks

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 #735 Gloria Patri

Postlude

Special Music- FCC Youth

~ FAMILY DISCUSSION QUESTIONS~

1. John Piper posed the piercing question: If you could have heaven with all of your favorite people, physical pleasures, and zero suffering, but Jesus were not there—would you still be satisfied? How did your gut react to that question when you heard it? What does our honest reaction reveal about what we naturally prize most about eternity?
2. In Luke 20:27–33, the Sadducees concocted an absurd scenario about seven brothers and one widow under Levirate marriage law. What were they assuming about the nature of the afterlife? In what ways do modern Christians make the exact same mistake by assuming eternity is merely an upgraded version of our earthly lives?
3. Why is it so significant that Jesus quoted Exodus 3:6 (“I am the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob”) rather than saying God was their God? How does the truth that “all live to Him” change the way you think about Christian loved ones who have died?
4. The sermon compared earthly joys—like marriage, family, and holiday meals—to the rich aroma drifting from a Thanksgiving kitchen. How have you caught yourself trying to "survive on the aroma"—demanding that a temporal relationship or experience give you ultimate satisfaction?
5. The sermon warned that when we expect a spouse, child, or family to validate our worth and provide our ultimate emotional security, we place a crushing burden on them. Have you ever felt the weight of being someone else’s functional savior? How does expecting our family to make us completely happy produce holiday anxiety, anger, or resentment?
6. Jesus spoke of those who are “considered worthy to attain to that age.” Why is it impossible for any of us to be counted worthy based on our own performance or relational fidelity? How does Christ’s death for our sins and resurrection for our justification provide the only worthiness that stands before God?
7. The seven mortal brothers in the Sadducees' story all failed to conquer death, leaving a destitute widow behind. Contrast that with Jesus. How does knowing that Jesus is the deathless Bridegroom who gave His life for His bride reorder your fear of loneliness or loss?
8. Thanksgiving can be a painful week for those staring at an empty chair due to death, divorce, or estrangement. How does the promise of bodily resurrection and adoption as “sons of the resurrection” bring comfort without minimizing real grief?
9. In view of God’s grace, we are freed from possessive anxiety to enjoy our families with open-handed thanksgiving. Practically speaking, what does it look like this Thursday to love an irritating relative, an imperfect spouse, or a struggling child without needing them to be your god?
10. Revelation 19:6–9 describes our ultimate destination as the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. When you take the bread and cup at the Lord's Table, how does this meal act as a physical guarantee that the True Feast is waiting for you? How does that assurance fuel your gratitude this week?


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