NOVEMBER 15, 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.
- 6:00 pm, "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.

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.
- 5:30 pm, Kids' Quest and Middle School Youth, for grades pre-k—8th. Meal provided; this week: macaroni & cheese, hotdogs, fruit.
- 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:

- November 22nd, there will be no morning refreshments; please plan your family's breakfast accordingly.
- November 22nd and November 29th, 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, 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: I Need Thee Every Hour/ Robert Lowry with Samuel B. on Violin

Gathering Hymn: Red Hymnal #164 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Greeting and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship: Psalm 67:3-4; Luke 12:32

> Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
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> **All: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy!**
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> Leader: Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.
>
> **All: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy. Let the people's praise you, O God, let all the peoples praise you!**

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Praise: Come Ye Sinners

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 2:5-12

> Leader: Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

> **All: God of mercy, You sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from You and turned aside from Your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored Your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon: Ezekiel 34:11,16

> Leader: For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

Hymn of Assurance: God Be Merciful to Me (Psalm 51)

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: Rock of Ages/Augustus M. Toplady (1740-1778) with Samuel B. on Violin

Toplady was interested in the Lord at a very young age. By age 12, he was preaching sermons to whomever would listen. At 14, he began writing hymns. At 16, he was soundly converted to Christ while attending a service in a barn. And at 22, he was ordained an Anglican priest.

Rock of ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee
Let the water and the blood,
From Thy wounded side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure, save from wrath and make me pure.

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

Citizens of Heaven, Servants on Earth: Living Under Christ's Absolute Authority Luke 20:17–26

Hymn of Response: Red Hymnal #439 Christ Shall Have Dominion

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 #640 My Tribute

Postlude

~ FAMILY DISCUSSION QUESTIONS~

1. (Luke 20:24–25; Genesis 1:26–27): Jesus noted that Caesar's likeness was on the coin, but humanity is made in the image of God. What is the fundamental difference between giving the state its temporal taxes and giving God our total heart allegiance?
2. The 2nd-century Epistle to Diognetus described early believers as obeying civil laws while their hearts belonged to heaven. How does their quiet, courageous example challenge the two common modern ditches: partisan culture-warring on one hand, or cynical isolation on the other?
3. Scripture highlights believers who served high in pagan administrations—such as Joseph in Egypt, Nehemiah in Persia, and Daniel in Babylon. How does God's sovereignty over secular institutions encourage you in your workplace, neighborhood, and community today?
4. The religious leaders produced Caesar's idolatrous coin right inside the holy temple courts. In what subtle ways do we happily enjoy the economic benefits and protections of our civil society while resisting God's sovereign claims on our lives?
5. Beneath political rage, panic, or complacency often lies the Root Idol of Control (craving personal sovereignty). When an election or policy doesn't go your way, what presenting emotions surface in your heart, and what do they reveal about who you are trusting?
6. How has the battle for political power damaged family relationships, friendships, and church unity in our culture? How can our conversations around dinner tables and on social media begin to sound like ambassadors of an unshakeable kingdom?
7. Jesus was condemned on the false charge of forbidding tribute to Caesar and was traded for Barabbas—a violent anti-Roman insurrectionist. How does knowing that Jesus took the place of an actual political rebel bring comfort to your own struggles with self-rule?
8. Standing before Pilate, Jesus declared, "You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above." How does Christ's conscious submission to a corrupt trial assure you that God's redemptive plan is never derailed by earthly rulers?
9. How does resting in Christ's finished work transform ordinary civic responsibilities—such as paying taxes honestly, voting thoughtfully, obeying public laws, and praying for leaders—from legalistic burdens into opportunities to display quiet trust in God's providence?
10. When human authority commands what God explicitly forbids, believers are called to "obey God rather than men." What does Christlike, peaceful, and non-violent civil disobedience look like in contrast to worldly defiance or retaliation?


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