

# Black Forest Lutheran Church

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## GATHERING

### Prelude and Announcements

\*Gathering Hymn *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty*

1. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
2. Holy, holy, holy, though the darkness hide thee  
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see  
Only thou art holy, there is none beside thee  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity!
3. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

**Kyrie** **P:** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**  
**P:** For the peace from above, and for our salvation,  
let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**  
**P:** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the  
church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.  
**C: Lord, have mercy.**  
**P:** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and  
praise, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**  
**P:** Help, save comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **C: Amen**

### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning now and forever. Amen.

## WORD

**Children's Sermon** *Children please stay with parents.* Jacob Oglesby  
**First Reading** Isaiah 6:1-8  
**Second Reading** Romans 8:12-17  
**\*Gospel Acclamation** *Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

\*Congregation please stand.

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**Gospel** John 3:1-17  
**Sermon** Response: **Thanks be to God**  
*Born of the Spirit* Pastor Ken

\***Hymn of the Day** *Come, Join the Dance of Trinity*

1. Come, join the dance of Trinity, before all worlds begun  
the interweaving of the Three, the Father, Spirit, Son.  
The universe of space and time did not arise by chance,  
but as the Three, in love and hope, made room within their dance.
2. Come, see the face of Trinity, new-born in Bethlehem;  
then bloodied by a crown of thorns outside Jerusalem.  
The dance of Trinity is meant for human flesh and bone;  
when fear confines the dance in death, God rolls away the stone.
3. Come, speak aloud of Trinity, as wind and tongues of flame  
set people free at Pentecost to tell the Savior's name.  
We know the yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth;  
go tell the world of weight and woe that we are free to move!

### Reception of New Members/Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.  
Amen.

**Prayers of Intercession** Response: **Hear our prayer**  
**Sharing of the Peace**

## MEAL

### Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray.  
P: Merciful Father,  
**C: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us-  
ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love.  
Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### \*Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.  
**C: And also with you.**  
P: Lift up your hearts.  
**C: We lift them to the Lord.**  
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full  
of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!**

### Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the  
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

**Distribution Hymns** *See communion instructions.*

**Insert**

\***Prayer after Communion  
Benediction**

\***Sending Song** *Here I am, Lord*

1. "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"

**Refrain:** Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

2. "I, the Lord of snow and rain. I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?" Refrain
3. "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?" Refrain

**Dismissal** Response: **Thanks be to God**  
**Postlude**

**Holy Communion Instructions-** Come down the center aisle and receive the bread  
with open hands. Then an assisting minister will place a prefilled glass (wine or  
grape juice) on the altar rail in front of you.

**Offering-**the offering box is located by the Baptismal font.

**Visitors-**If you are a visitor, please sign the visitor sheet at the table at the entrance,  
tear off and place in basket. Thank you and welcome!

*Flowers are given today in Remembrance of  
Bob Winford's sister's birthday, Gwendolyn Morgan, and to  
Honor our Military this Memorial Day.*

**First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8**

<sup>6</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

<sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out."

<sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

**Second Reading: Romans 8:12-17**

<sup>12</sup>So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh <sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

**Gospel: John 3:1-17**

<sup>3</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God."

<sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit.

<sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

<sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?"

<sup>11</sup>"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.



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