

# THE SCRIBE



From Pastor Ken

August 2022

## Summer Worship Schedule

One Service – 9:00am

If you are on vacation sometime this summer and cannot worship, read from the Gospel of St. Luke listed below. Know that we'll all be hearing what Jesus is doing and saying to us all.

August

7	Real Treasure	Luke 12:32	In
14	Didi Panzo	Luke 12:49	Out
21	Jesus Heals	Luke 13:10	In
28	Trust Him	Luke 14:12	Out (Church picnic)

## North American Lutheran Church Convocation

Friday, August 5 - 4:00-7:00pm

Our NALC will meet online for its convocation Friday, August 5 and you can tune in. It's online from 4:00-7:00pm. Hear and see what God is doing across our continent and across the world. Sign up at [thenalc.org](http://thenalc.org).

The Mission Video Report will be particularly interesting. It will feature several BFLC members and include Didi Panzo and ministries such as the Spiritual Orphans Network.

## Didi

August 14

Didi and Serafina Panzo will be with us Sunday, August 14. The Panzos are our missionaries serving in the Congo of Africa, working with those experiencing domestic violence and abuse. Didi also teaches at the Lutheran Seminary in the region.

## The Future of Space Travel

Sunday, August 21

Bob Uzman, BFLC Council Member and contemporary worship guitar player, is working closely with Space X. He will give a slideshow presentation focusing on the next 10 years of space exploration. Join him in the fellowship hall after worship.

## Congregational Picnic

Sunday, August 28

Come and enjoy our annual congregational picnic, Sunday, August 28 after worship service. See page 2 for additional information.

## Announcements

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- **Office Closures.** The office closes at Noon on Fridays in August.
- **Demonstration at Black Forest Festival.** Lavonne Hidy will be in the “Fabric Arts” tent at the Black Forest Festival on Saturday, August 13. She will be demonstrating her technique with wool braided rugs. She will be offering two classes: 9:00a and 2:00p. There will also be a spinner and weaver on hand.



### Lemonade and Gingersnap Sunday!

The Social Ministry Committee will host its annual Lemonade and Gingersnap Sunday following outdoor worship on Sunday, August 14. This year we will send our free will donations to the “Tunnel 2Tower” Foundation. The gingersnaps are made by members of the Committee. The lemonade will be refreshing!



- **Joining Jesus Community Update.** On Sunday, August 7 after the indoor worship, please join us in the Fellowship Hall if:
  - You have been trying to join Jesus on his mission and have a story to share or question to ask about recognizing and responding to Jesus' activity in the lives of people around you every day.
  - You have been hearing this phrase a lot lately in church and are curious to find out something more.
  - You think you might like to just listen in for a few minutes.
- **Young Adult BBQ.** We would like to invite you to a Young Adult BBQ on Wednesday, August 17 at 6:30p! This will be held at Carson & Kirsten Bush's home at 7821 Berwyn Loop, Peyton, CO 80831. We will provide the meat - we are asking you to bring a side to share! There will be yard games, meet and greets and a short devo by Jacob. It will be a time of good food and summer fun, come check it out. Please let us know if you can make it by either contacting Lisa or Jacob or on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.
- **Outdoor Kid's Movie Night!** Let's experience an outdoor movie together at BFLC on Friday, August 19 @ 8:00p. We will be watching **Wall-E** on the big screen. We will provide the popcorn and bottled water. Feel free to bring your own snacks. Bring a blanket and a friend! See you there! Sign up!
- **Senior Social.** Please join us every 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month from 1:00p-4:00p to socialize, play dominoes, or do crafts. Individuals bring their own crafts to work on. Others use the opportunity to just sit and talk. Our July event is scheduled for Wednesday, August 24 @ 1:00p. Contact: Lavonne Hidy.
- **Men's Support Group.** Thursday, August 25 @ 6:30p. In our every changing and trying world men need to know that it is okay to struggle, to be challenged, and to ask for help. Mike Regennitter and Jacob Oglesby invite men that may be struggling or may just need an encouraging word to join them in a conversation to discover that they are not alone. There seem to be few safe spaces for men to be real and authentic with one another, this is one of those spaces. We will have conversation, and those willing can share their thoughts and stories. We will be given tools for how not to just survive, but to thrive. Come check it out, you won't regret it.
- **BFLC Annual Congregation Picnic.** This year's annual congregational picnic will be held after outdoor worship services on Sunday, August 28! The meal will be provided this year in order to say THANK YOU and show our appreciation to our many faithful VOLUNTEERS! Please plan to join us for an hour or two of visiting, laughing, and sharing a meal. Games will be provided for children and youth. Hope to see you there!
- **Mom's Group.** Tuesday, August 30 @ 4:00p. Moms, if you need some “me” time, come and check out the Mom's Group. We do a Bible Study, crafts, chat about life and be supportive of one another. The kids also have a great time! Contact: Karina Isley.

## New!



We have introduced a new communication tool that you can use if you would like to sell something, looking to rent or lease property, have something specific that you may need, need help with a task or project, and so much more. When posting please include name, phone number, date posted, and any relevant information. Signup board is located on the wall by the elevator. Any questions contact Lisa.

## ***Mark your calendars!***

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### **Bible Studies**

- Women's Bible Study - Mondays @ 1:00p starting September 12 with Chris Cooper. Course study will be provided later.
- All Invited Bible Study - Wednesdays @ 6:30p starting September 28 with Paige Summerfield. Course study will be provided later.

**BFLC Women's Ministry.** We are so excited to be expanding our fall **REVIVE!** event to a full day retreat format at BFLC on Saturday, September 17 from 9:00-3:00pm! That means more time to learn, more time to move our bodies and more time to enrich our relationships with the Lord and with each other! Oh yes, and more food and fellowship! Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Our guest speaker is Reverend Lynn Cerullo, a national, inter-denominational speaker on leadership, Christian living, relationships, theology and worship. \$25 per person includes breakfast, lunch and goodies. Register here: <https://www.eventcreate.com/e/fall-revive-retreat> or let Lisa know via her email at [BFLC@bflchurch.org](mailto:BFLC@bflchurch.org). Payment can be made via Venmo to @kirstenmbush or send to the church office. Be sure to mention the REVIVE! event. We hope you'll join us!

## ***Ready...Set...Play!***

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The BFLC Council recently approved the Property Committee's recommendation to replace the existing playground equipment, as its condition has become a safety concern. The work will begin this fall with the removal of the existing equipment, leveling and expanding the current play area and installation of additional fencing. In early 2023, the committee will partner with "Star Playgrounds" to select new play system components, finalize new surface material, and arrange for delivery and installation.

With this approval, we are initiating a formal fundraising campaign, with a target goal of \$40K. Yes, commercial play systems that meet safety standards are much more expensive than residential systems. The fundraising is already off to a great start. We've received just over \$11K to-date through funds made available following the anniversary dinner, proceeds from the Montie's yard sale, and several private donations in support of this project. Additional donations can now be made by noting "playground" in the memo section of your check.

Be on the look-out for more information on the project itself, the schedule of activities and ways you can contribute. If you have immediate questions, please contact Jennifer Reily.

## ***Prayer Time***

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Mornings when I come to work, I take a few minutes to go in the sanctuary and pray. I remind you that the sanctuary is available most days during the week for you to come in and pray. We will have prayer cards available also. Lisa

## ***Join a Life Group!***

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We have new opportunities for people to join existing and new Life Groups. Get together with 8-12 fellow Christians, perhaps bring a friend, and prepare to make new friends or deepen relationships with existing ones. Once a month we pray, eat, and have a bible study. If you are considering joining a Life Group, please contact Lisa in the office.

## ***Volunteers needed for Wiggle Worship!***

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We have begun the process of planning for fall Wiggle worship and hope to gather a list of youth volunteers that would like to help, starting in September. Ages for volunteers start at about 12. If you are interested in helping or have any questions, please drop a text/email to Amy Churchill.



La Puente is Spanish for “*The Bridge*” and that is exactly their goal! To “bridge” the gap between hopelessness and hopefulness. La Puente is based in Alamosa and is their community’s response to address the effects of poverty by providing a safety net of services, where individuals and families get what they need to stabilize, heal, strengthen, and ultimately thrive. BFLC has supported these efforts for many years with outreach in numerous ways, such as our quilters providing hand -made blankets during cold months, individuals donating warm clothing, coats, bedding, household items, and tools, and Social Ministry’s project of providing hygiene bags twice each year.

Each time hygiene bags are delivered; it is clear what a true blessing these are to people in need in the San Luis Valley! The generosity of this congregation continues to amaze and overwhelm, and we thank you! It is time again in September to prepare the hygiene bags which will be delivered to Alamosa in the Fall. There will be a list of necessary items placed in a small bag on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Please take one home. This is a list of suggestions for what is needed and any items on the list are appreciated in any amounts. Bath towels may be used but clean. La Puente is always appreciative of any clean bras, socks, new underwear, bandanas, stocking caps, warm head bands, warm shirts, blankets, etc. Items needed that you may not think of donating are those used in a simple sewing kit (needles, safety pins, buttons, small spools of thread).

Additional items specifically requested this year are long underwear for adult men or women and warm, insulated winter gloves (not mittens so they may work). Items may be place in the cart in Fellowship Hall and marked “La Puente”.

Thank you so very much for continuing to provide for our neighbors in need! “LOVE GOD, LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR!”

Your Social Ministry Committee

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**AARP 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration!** It seems the years of 2021 and 2022 are producing lots of memorable anniversaries in our Black Forest area. The Black Forest Log School is celebrating it Centennial year by sponsoring a fund-raising Quilt Show in September. Our Black Forest Lutheran Church celebrated its first 50 years on April 24, 2022. AARP Chapter #1100 will observe its’ 50<sup>th</sup> year with an afternoon program entitled “A Time to Reminisce”. This gathering will be held on Wednesday, August 10 @ 1:00p in the church fellowship hall. Members of BFLC and friends of the chapter are invited to this celebration. Special refreshments will be served in memory of the following founding members:

- Edith D. Wolford, local educator and school principal
- Father Thomas Hanlon, Our Lady of Pines Catholic Church
- Pastor Nick Natelli of the Black Forest Community Church

A medley of patriotic songs will be performed by the Forest Chorus and numerous awards will be presented to members. There will be a display of scrapbooks and mementos of the past 50 years.

Again, come and enjoy the afternoon and reminisce with the AARP members. For further information, contact Stan Beckner or Lavonne Hidy.



***Mission Trip coming in the Summer of 2023!***

***Be watching for details to come!***

***Contact: Jacob Oglesby***

## Thank you!

- ✚ From Pikes Peak Habitat for Humanity: "Thank you for your support of Habitat for Humanity. Our homeowners tell us that being able to own their own home changes their lives forever. Beyond the structure they gain security, membership in a community, and pride. Thank you for supporting our mission."
- ✚ From Holy Land Christian Ecumenical Foundation, Inc.: "We wish to extend our deepest gratitude for your donation of \$129 to the HCEF programs."
- ✚ From Rainbow Trail: "Thank you so much for your recent gift of \$129 to Rainbow Trail's Annual Fund."



BFLC celebrated the birthday of our nation and the birthdays of BFLC members with birthday cakes. We asked everyone to give a gift-coin for every birthday they have celebrated.

There were so many coins, five counters were needed!  
At the event **\$686.65** was donated for Rocky Mountain Fisher House.



## Baby Corner!



Bill & Kris Partridge are happy to announce the birth of their granddaughter!  
Congratulations Jake & Beth Partridge on the new addition to their family!



Welcome "Arabella Grace Partridge"  
Born 7/4/22 - 7 lbs - 12 oz.

## Celebrate!



Brian Evans	8/1	Carlene Peters	8/16	Shawn & TerryL Jensen	8/1
David Hopp	8/1	Carolyn States	8/16	Tim & Christine Bury	8/1
Dan Johnson	8/1	Susan Rummell	8/17	Dave & Jenn Reily	8/2
Julie Kieffer	8/2	Susan Stewart	8/17	Joe & Mary Anne Ricci	8/4
John Spadaro	8/3	Miranda Beckman	8/18	Bob & Jane Ucman	8/6
Karen Moreau	8/5	Pam Wagner	8/18	Duane & Pam Wagner	8/7
Paige Summerfield	8/5	Sue Clark	8/19	Bob & Jan Veuthey	8/8
Rachael Thielmann	8/5	Gianna Spadaro	8/19	John & Dinah Kress	8/9
Emma Webb	8/6	Kendal Nussbaum	8/21	Del & Maureen Lang	8/13
Justin Olson	8/7	Nolan Nussbaum	8/21	Bill & Jo Dieckhoff	8/14
Holly Hanson	8/8	Peyton Nussbaum	8/21	Mike & Lisa Regennitter	8/14
Michael Hite	8/8	Eugene Cullen	8/22	Dean & Andrea Syverson	8/15
John Kosman	8/8	Justin Sadowski	8/25	James & Jeanne Leitte	8/20
Dinah Kress	8/10	Shawn Jensen	8/27	Jon & Connie Stevenson	8/23
Dave Reily	8/10	Greg Kleine	8/28	Brad & Tammy Smith	8/24
Alex Lacomia	8/11	Bill Sieg	8/28	Ken & Katie Callantine	8/25
Melanie Hohag	8/12	Rosalind Williams	8/28	Kent & Debbie Stalnaker	8/25
Michele Robinson	8/13	John Lacomia	8/30	Don & Sue Vigil	8/31
Ginny Johnson	8/16	Richard Hopp	8/31		
John Kress	8/16				

Hello all,

Throughout the month of July, we have been so blessed with great weather and great times together. From confirmation camp late last month to bingo night (where kids always seem to win!) and everything in between we are so excited to be able to share food and fellowship with one another.

As we prepare to usher in a new School year there are several fun activities and events that we have lined up for you and your family. I am also excited that I get to spend the week at Rainbow Trail with some of our students the first week in August. These are always such amazing times and I have seen firsthand the kind of life change that comes from these weeks. As always, your prayers are appreciated.

### **Young Adult**

Our young adult group is also meeting regularly. If you are post college to around mid-30's and you have not yet been connected let either me or Lisa know. We would love to get you plugged in to some fun stuff we have going on. This is not a closed church group - if you have friends or family that fit in this category that you would like to see more involved in the church world we would love to reach out. Just let us know!

### **Young Adult BBQ**

The Bushes and I continue to offer young adult engagement opportunities at least once a month at their house. Our next event is scheduled for Wednesday, August 17 @ 6:30p. Meat is provided; bring a side dish to share. See page 2 for additional information.

### **Movie Night**

Our next movie night will be Friday, August 19th beginning at 8:00p. We will provide the popcorn and bottled water; you bring the fun (and any other fun snacks that you might have). We left it to a vote, and we will be watching Wall-E on the big screen. Bring your family and invite a friend.

### **Men's Support Group**

Finally, we have our Men's Support Group which meets the fourth Thursday of every month at 6:30p. In our changing and trying world men need to know that it is okay to struggle, to be challenged, and to ask for help. Mike Regennitter and Jacob Oglesby invite men that may be struggling or maybe just need an encouraging word to join them in a conversation to discover that they are not alone. There seem to be few safe spaces for men to be real and authentic with one another, this is one of those spaces. We will have conversation, those who are willing can share their thoughts and stories, and we will be given tools for how not to just survive, but to thrive.

For His glory,

Jacob Oglesby



One thing we can do as a church body is pray for Zach and Cameron Regennitter weekly, as their duties and time spent at RTALC is hard work. We trust that the Spirit will use them as they serve.  
Please consider sending supportive letters and care packages as well.



# August



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 9:00a Quilters 9:30 Staff Mtg.	5 NALC Convocation	6 7:00a Men's Bible Study 11:00a Outdoor Wedding
7 9:00a Worship (Inside)	8	9	10 1:00p AARP 50th Anniversary Event 7:00 Cont. Worship Practice	11 9:00a Quilters 9:30 Staff Mtg. 7:00p Worship Committee Mtg.	12 12:00p Exec. Mtg.	13 <i>Black Forest Festival</i>
14 9:00a Worship (Outside) 10:30 Lemonade and Gingersnaps	15	16 10:00a Property Committee Mtg. 10:00 Finance Committee Mtg.	17 6:30p Young Adult BBQ	18 9:00a Quilters 9:30 Staff Mtg. 1:00p MEFC Mtg. 7:00 Council	19 8:00p Kid's Movie Night	20 7:00a Men's Bible Study
21 9:00a Worship (Inside) 10:30 Space Presentation	22	23	24 1:00p Senior Social 7:00 Cont. Worship Practice	25 9:00a Quilters 9:30 Staff Mtg. 6:30p Men's Support Group	26	27
28 9:00a Worship (Outside) <i>BFLC Annual Picnic</i>	29	30 4:00p Mom's Group	31			



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**OUR STAFF**

Pastor – Ken Hohag  
Youth/Family Ministries Director – Jacob Oglesby  
Director of Ministries – Lisa Regennitter  
Administrative Assistant – Michelle Madison  
Organist – Barbara Gurnett  
Choir Director – Melanie Hohag  
Handbell Choir Director – Bill Fitzpatrick  
Keyboard – Landra Decker/Alexandra Cullen  
Ministers – All Members

**OUR MISSION**

Black Forest Lutheran Church glorifies God through worship, prayer, education, and service as ambassadors of Christ.

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**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**

*Weekday Hours (through August)*  
9:00am-2:00pm Tuesday-Thursday  
9:00am– 12:00pm Friday  
Sunday Worship 9:00am

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