

2022/2023 Sunday School Semester

Kick-off for the 2022/2023 Sunday School semester is just around the corner. To celebrate, Black Forest Lutheran Church has a tradition of giving each 3rd grader a Bible to encourage you to read it together on a regular basis – a promise you made at his/her baptism. We are extending the age group for this from 3rd to 5th grade. We will be handing them out at both the first and second services on September 25. We hope you and your 3rd through 5th grader will be present to receive this gift. Contact: Jacob Oglesby @ 719-822-4610

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR - September 4 – September 11

Today	9:00a	Worship (Outside)
Monday	Labor Day	
Tuesday	4:00p	Mom’s Group
Wednesday	6:30p 7:00	Finance Class Confirmation Information Mtg. Choir Practice
Thursday	9:00a 9:30	Quilters Staff Mtg.
Friday	9:00a 12:00p	Christmas Tea Mtg. Executive Mtg.
Sunday	8:00/10:30a 9:30	Worship Sunday School Class New Member Class Joining Jesus Class

Attendance
8/28
9:00a – 157

If anyone is interested, please feel free to take home a geranium flower plant. They are located under the sign at the entrance!

Happenings next week!

**Returning to two services next Sunday!
8:00a & 10:30a**

Fellowship Hall Worship

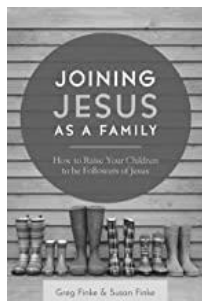
In 2020, we opened up extra worship space in the fellowship hall due to Covid. Now that we are at full capacity in the sanctuary, our need for overflow space has diminished. We will continue to offer worship in the fellowship hall only during the 8:00a service for those who are Covid-conscious.

- **New Member Classes.** Sundays @ 9:30a. Meet upstairs in Room #21.
- **Sunday School Classes.** Sunday school meets each Sunday for children 3 years to 5th grade in the classrooms off of the fellowship hall, 7th through 12th graders meet in Jacob’s office, off of the kitchen.
- **Joining Jesus As A Family.** Please see the following page for more information. We will meet in the sanctuary @ 9:30a.
- **Confirmation Classes.** Starting September 14 @ 6:30p. 8th grade and up.
 - Parent & Student Confirmation Orientation
Wednesday, September 7 @ 7:00p
Contact: Jacob Oglesby @ 719-822-4610
- **Financial Peace University Class –** Starting Wednesday @ 6:30p. This is a nine-lesson course, teaching you a step-by-step plan to win with money and gives you all the tools you need to work it. You must purchase an annual membership (\$99.99) which includes: 9 Lessons (8h 41m), Premium Version of Every Dollar for Budgeting, Debt and Savings Tracker, Free Group Coaching and more On-Demand courses. If interested, please contact Gerry Hinderberger or type **fpu.com/1153250** into the internet address bar to find the class. Signup sheet on the bulletin board. Scholarships possible.
- **Choir.** We are inviting you to join us! We sing approximately twice a month at alternating worship times. If you are interested, please come to practice Wednesdays @ 7:00p. See Melanie Hohag for more details.
- **Christmas Tea Meeting.** If you would like to be a part of this, join Paige Summerfield on Friday, September 9 @ 9:00a for a committee meeting.

**Adult Class Starting on Sunday, September 11
9:30-10:15 AM in the sanctuary**

"You can't go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending"

--Unknown



If you were raised in a Christian home, what kind of Jesus-followers were your parents? Apathetic? Duty-driven? Harsh and over-bearing? Fruitful and fulfilled? Something else?

Have there been other Christians who influenced your life? If you weren't raised in a Christian home, what did your parents think about Christians?

How did these examples affect the kind of Jesus-follower you are today? Join us in reading a great book about how Jesus makes disciples and how we can join him in that mission.

Please join us!

- **Women's Bible Study** - September 12 @ 1:00p with Chris Cooper. Course study will be one more chapter of "Women of the New Testament".
- **Handbell Practice.** Handbells would love for you to join them! Every Tuesday @ 7:00p starting September 20. Contact Bill Fitzpatrick.
- **Craft Day at BFLC.** Please join us for craft day on Saturday, September 24 @ 2:00pm. Mary Madison (Michelle's mom) will be conducting a "CD Weaving Project". All ages welcome! Signup on bulletin board. Contact: Michelle Madison.
- **Everyone's Bible Study** - Wednesdays @ 6:30p starting September 28 with John & Paige Summerfield. Course study will be "The Chosen". All are welcome! Meet in the church basement. Details in the Scribe.



Playground Update

- **Monday, Sept 5:** Final date when the existing playground is available for use.
- **Tuesday, Sept 6:** Playground will be closed for use; area will be taped/fenced off.
- **Friday, Sept 9:** First phase of demolition begins.

**BFLC Women's Ministry
Fall Revive Event
Saturday, September 17 from 9:00a – 3:00p at BFLC**

As we continue to make these Revive events as impactful as possible, we are asking for your help as well. As part of our mission to join Jesus in the work that He is doing we would like each of you to invite at least one friend, family member, neighbor, or co-worker.

Are conflicts weighing you down? Does it seem like communication with friends and family has gotten more challenging? Are you unsure how to get relationships back on track? If so, you're not alone.

Come join us for a day to refresh, rejuvenate and revive your MIND, BODY and SPIRIT! Our full-day event will be packed with food, fun, art and music, all while connecting with community. All women over the age of 18 are welcome to join us!

Our guest speaker, Rev. Lynn Cerullo, is the Co-Founder of Healing Streams Christian Ministries in Colorado Springs. Lynn will bring insight into how we can resolve conflicts while navigating issues that can separate us.

\$25 per person. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

RSVP to Lisa @ bflc@bflchurch.org. Payment can be made via Venmo to @kirstenmbush or send to the church office. Memo: Revive.



Volunteers Needed

- **Fellowship Hour.** We are looking at starting up again Fellowship between services. BFLC loves this time together, but this popular time requires volunteers! We need people to sign up for set-up for coffee and donuts and clean-up starting **September 11**. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the kitchen. Any help is appreciated!
- **Sunday Volunteers.** BFLC Sunday Worship is successful with the help of many volunteers. Many of these opportunities to serve don't entail a huge commitment and are a great way to connect with other members of our congregation. These include assisting ministers, ushers, greeters, readers, recorders and uploaders. If you would like to help out or have questions about any of these opportunities for our 8:00a and/or 10:30a services, please contact Lisa.
- **Nursery.** We are in need of some volunteers to serve in the area of our children's ministry, specifically that of the nursery. This ministry allows children to be cared for in a fun and safe environment and gives parents an opportunity to worship freely as well. This is a paid position. We need at least one adult and one student (9th grade and up) per Sunday. If you are interested, please contact Lisa Regennitter.