

Black Forest Lutheran Church

12455 Black Forest Rd., Colorado Springs, CO 80908

Church office - 495-2221 Tues. - Fri. 9:00a-2:00p

Ken Hohag, Pastor

3rd Sunday of Advent / Sunday, December 11, 2022

The order of worship is in the **red** hymnal. **Hymns** are in the back of the hymnal.
Liturgy is in the front listed as p.

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GATHERING

Prelude and Announcements
Brief Order of Confession p. 94
*Gathering Song *Hark, the Glad Sound!* **red 239**
Greeting/Kyrie p. 138
Prayer of the Day
Almighty God, you once called John the Baptist to give witness to the coming of your Son and to prepare his way. Grant us, your people, the wisdom to see your purpose today and the openness to hear your will, that we may witness to Christ's coming and so prepare his way; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

Children's Sermon Pastor Ken
Advent Candle Lighting
*Oh come, Oh come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here, until the Son of God appear, Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.*
First Reading Isaiah 35:1-10
Second Reading James 5:7-10
Gospel Acclamation p. 142
Gospel Matthew 11:2-11
Response: **Thanks be to God**
Sermon *Even the Strong Have Doubts* Pastor Ken
*Hymn of the Day *Comfort, Comfort Now My People* **red 256**
Apostles' Creed p. 105
Prayers of Intercession Response: **Hear our Prayer**
Sharing of the Peace

MEAL

Offering *The King Shall Come* **red 260**
*Offering Prayer
God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
Great Thanksgiving p. 144
Lord's Prayer p. 145
Lamb of God p. 146
Distribution Hymns **red 258 (alt tune), 262, 611, 613**
*Prayer after Communion

*Congregation please stand

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SENDING

Benediction
Sending Song *Prepare the Royal Highway* **red 264**
Dismissal
Postlude

**Our mission is to glorify God through
worship, prayer, education, and service as
ambassadors of Christ.**

Visitors and Members—Please sign our blue Friendship Book and pass it down the row. A nursery for infants & toddlers is through the narthex double doors. A nursing chair with a retractable privacy screen for mothers is available in the nursery.

Holy Communion Instructions—All baptized Christians are invited to the Lord's table. Grape juice is available in the pre-filled glasses for those who cannot drink wine. Gluten-free bread is also available.

Wiggle Worship at 10:30a—After the children's sermon, kiddos ages 3-7 can follow a teacher for wiggle worship. They will return to their parents during the offering to participate in communion with their families.

Please note – No Wiggle Worship December 18, December 25 and January 1.

	<u>Serving Today</u>	
	8:00	10:30
Acolytes	Brian Gould	Emma Beckman
Altar Guild	Vonda Dowdy	Kris Partridge
Assistants	Steve Marlow / John Kress	Jon & Lisa Fountain
Greeters	George & Chris Cooper	Mike & Jutta Romans
Nursery Attendants	Holly Hanson & Jenna Yonce	
Organ	Barb Gurnett	
Readers	Roxie Larson	Karen Gourley
Recorder	Amy White	
Sound	Jack Yonce	
Ushers	Jim & Deanna Hormann	Scott & Ann Buttermore
Wiggle Worshipers	Rosie Williams, Emma Webb & Emma Jackson	

*Flowers are given today in Celebration of Millie Fitzpatrick's Birthday and
In Memory of Keith & Robin Knutson's Wedding Anniversary.*