

# 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

First Sunday in Lent / Sunday, February 26, 2023

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 *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word* **red 517**  
Prayer of the Day

Lord God, our strength, the battle of good and evil rages within and around us, and our ancient foe tempts us with his deceits and empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your Word and, when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, 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  
First Reading Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7  
Second Reading Romans 5:12-19  
\*Gospel Acclamation *Turn my heart, O God, turn my heart, O God  
Take my pain and brokenness, shape my life for you,  
Come and turn my heart, O God.*  
Gospel Matthew 4:1-11  
Response: **Thanks be to God**  
Sermon *What is Free Will?* Pastor Ken  
\*Hymn of the Day *O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days* **red 319**  
Apostles' Creed p. 105  
Prayers of Intercession Response: **Hear our Prayer**  
Sharing of the Peace

## MEAL

Offering 8:00a *At the Table of the Lord* Choir  
10:30a *If You But Trust in God to Guide You* **red 769**  
\*Offering Prayer  
Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.  
Great Thanksgiving p. 144  
Lord's Prayer p. 145  
Lamb of God p. 146  
Distribution Hymns **red 472, 464, 685, 494**  
\*Prayer after Communion

\*Congregation please stand

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## SENDING

Benediction  
Sending Song *How Firm a Foundation* **red 796**  
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.

**Sunday School Classes.** For children 3 years to 5<sup>th</sup> grade in the classrooms off of the fellowship hall, 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders meet in office off of the kitchen.

	<u>Serving Today</u>	
	<b>8:00</b>	<b>10:30</b>
<b>Acolytes</b>	Alex Gould	Adam Weyer
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Vonda Dowdy	Shari Kraus
<b>Assistants</b>	John & Dinah Kress	Steve Gurnett/Jim Kent
<b>Choir Director</b>	Melanie Hohag	
<b>Greeters</b>	Wilda Nussbaum	Keith & Shari Kraus
<b>Nursery Attendant</b>	Shannon Kosman & Jenna Yonce	
<b>Organ</b>	Barb Gurnett	
<b>Piano</b>	Barb Gurnett	
<b>Readers</b>	Roxie Larson	Sunny Wilson
<b>Recorder</b>	Alex Gould	
<b>Sound</b>	Jack Yonce	Jack Yonce
<b>Uploader</b>	George Cooper	
<b>Ushers</b>	Greg Kleine/Karen Pforr	Duane & Pam Wagner
<b>Wiggle Worshipers</b>	Jessica Worrell, Emma Jackson, Landon Toelle	

*Flowers are given today by Steve & Nancy Lord in Celebration of their grandson's 13<sup>th</sup> Birthday.*