

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
 Fourth Sunday in Lent /March 19, 2023

The 8:00 Traditional Service is in the **red** hymnal in the first column and the 10:30 Contemporary Service is in the **black** book, Setting 4. Liturgy is listed as p.

| <u>GATHERING</u> | 8:00 red | 10:30 black |
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| Prelude and Announcements | | |
| *Brief Order of Confession | p. 94 | p. 3 |
| Gathering Song | 673 | 52 |
| Greeting/Kyrie | p. 138 | p. 3 |

Prayer of the Day
 Eternal Lord, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your Word and obey it, so that we become instruments of your redeeming love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

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| Children's Sermon | | Pastor Ken |
| First Reading | 1 Samuel 16:1, 6-13 | |
| Second Reading | Ephesians 5:8-14 | |
| *Gospel Acclamation | <i>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.</i> | |
| Gospel | John 9:1-41 | |
| Sermon | Response: Thanks be to God Blind, But Now I See | Pastor Ken |
| *Hymn of the Day | bulletin | bulletin |
| Apostles' Creed | p. 105 | p. 7 |
| Prayers of Intercession | Response: Hear our prayer | |
| Sharing of the Peace | | |

MEAL

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| Offering | <i>Amazing Grace</i> (Choir) | red 779 |
| *Offering Prayer | Merciful Father, 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. 144 | p. 9 |
| Lord's Prayer | p. 145 | p. 10 |
| Lamb of God | p. 146 | 11 |
| Distribution Hymns | 779, 481, 661, 472 | 77, 59, 13 |
| *Prayer after Communion | | |

*Congregation please stand

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SENDING

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| Benediction | | |
| Sending Song | 665 | 25 |
| Dismissal | Response: Thanks be to God | |
| 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 5th grade in the classrooms off of the fellowship hall, 6th through 12th graders meet in office off of the kitchen.

Open Our Eyes, Lord

Open our eyes, Lord; we want to see Jesus,
 To reach out and touch him and say that we love him.
 Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.
 Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

| | <u>Serving Today</u> | |
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| | 8:00 | 10:30 |
| Acolytes | Jenna Yonce | Aggie Weyer |
| Altar Guild | Sue Wetzel | Shari Kraus |
| Assistants | Jim Kent / Kathy Schwindt | Donna Reiner/Lisa Fountain |
| Choir Director | Melanie Hohag | |
| Greeters | George & Chris Cooper | Bill & Jo Dieckhoff |
| Nursery Attendants | Lydia Zelones & Amelia Makowsky | |
| Organ | Barb Gurnett | |
| Piano | Liz Wetherby | Alexandra Cullen |
| Readers | Roxie Larson | Karen Gourley |
| Recorder | Michelle Madison | |
| Sound | Jack Yonce | Samantha Summerfield |
| Upload | Patsy Wurster | |
| Ushers | Greg Kleine/Karen Pforr | Scott & Ann Buttermore |
| Wiggle Worshipers | Amy Churchill, Emma Webb & Landon Toelle | |

*Flowers are given today by Keith Knutson in Memory of
 Robin Knutson's Birthday.*

Holy Week and Easter

Palm Passion Sunday, April 2 @ 8:00a & 10:30a

We hear of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Later, the once joyful crowd turns angry and cries out for his death on a cross.

Maundy Thursday, April 6 @ 7:00p - Holy Communion

Maundy is Latin for mandate or command. Jesus washes the disciples' feet and gives a new command: to love one another as he loved us. Through his presence we become servants to each other. Our worship ends with the dramatic stripping of the altar, preparing us for the stark reality of Good Friday.

Good Friday, April 7 @ 7:00p

Called "good" because on this Friday the greatest gift was given: the life of our Lord for us. In the service of Tenebrae (darkness), readings are interspersed with music, so we hear the story of our Lord's passion in the gradual darkening of the sanctuary.

Easter Sunday, April 9

In the darkness of grief, Jesus' followers come to the tomb only to find the stone rolled away and to hear the news: "He is Risen!" Jesus' light scatters our darkness. His presence transforms life itself.

6:00a – Sunrise Service: Candlelight. Young adults, if you would like to participate in this, contact Lisa.

7:00 – Easter Breakfast in the fellowship hall. Sign-up on bulletin board to bring food and sign-up to help in the kitchen at 5:00a.

8:00 – Resurrection of Our Lord Worship

9:45 – Easter Egg Hunt. For kiddos up to 5th grade. Bring basket and meet in the fellowship hall. 6th grade and up meet Lisa at 9:15a in the fellowship hall to hide eggs.

10:30 – Resurrection of Our Lord Worship

BFLC Holy Week Invitation Cards

We invite you to "**give one – take one**"!

Invite a co-worker, friend, neighbor and many more!

Cards are on the table in the narthex.