

# 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

Second Sunday of Easter /April 16, 2023

The 8:00 Traditional Service and 10:30 Contemporary Service are in the **red** hymnal. Liturgy are listed as p.

<u>GATHERING</u>	<b>8:00 red</b>	<b>10:30 red</b>
Prelude and Announcements		
*Brief Order of Confession	p. 94	p. 94
Gathering Song	<b>377 v. 1, 3, 5</b>	<b>377 v. 1, 3, 5</b>
Greeting/Kyrie	p. 138	p. 138

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, we have celebrated with joy the festival of our Lord's resurrection. Graciously help us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, 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	Acts 2:14a, 2:22-32	
Second Reading	1 Peter 1:3-9	
Celtic Alleluia	<i>Al-le-lu-ia 4x</i>	
Gospel	John 20:19-31	

Response: **Thanks be to God**

That You May Believe Pastor Ken

Sermon		
*Hymn of the Day	<b>635</b>	<b>635</b>
Apostles' Creed	p. 105	p. 105
Prayers of Intercession	Response: <b>Hear our prayer</b>	
Sharing of the Peace		

## MEAL

Offering *Now the Green Blade Rises* insert

\*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. 144
Lord's Prayer	p. 145	p. 145
Lamb of God	p. 146	p. 146
Distribution Hymns	<b>483, 481, 472</b>	<b>483, 481, 472</b>

\*Prayer after Communion

\*Congregation please stand

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## SENDING

Benediction		
Sending Song	<b>364</b>	<b>364</b>
Dismissal	Response: <b>Thanks be to God</b>	
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>	Brian Gould	Adam Weyers
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Pat Holte	Sue Wetzel
<b>Assistants</b>	Don Crist/Amy Churchill	Donna Reiner and Francesca Wahlborg
<b>Greeters</b>	George & Chris Cooper	Bill & Jo Dieckhoff
<b>Nursery Attendants</b>	Jeannette Gould & Dylan Gould	
<b>Organ</b>	Barb Gurnett	
<b>Piano</b>		Alexandra Cullen
<b>Readers</b>	Todd Gould	Barbara Speir
<b>Recorder</b>	Dave Williams	
<b>Sound</b>	Landra Decker	Patrick Turechek
<b>Upload</b>	George Cooper	
<b>Ushers</b>	Jim & Deanna Hormann	Greg & Tracy Kleine
<b>Wiggle Worshipers</b>	Amy Churchill, Landon Toelle and Rilan Chiartano	

Flowers are given today in Celebration of Misty Hopp's Birthday.

### **First Reading - Acts 2:14a, 2:22-32**

**2** <sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>22</sup> 'You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— <sup>23</sup> this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. <sup>24</sup> But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. <sup>25</sup> For David says concerning him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; <sup>26</sup> therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. <sup>27</sup> For you will not abandon my soul to Hades or let your Holy One experience corruption. <sup>28</sup> You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence." <sup>29</sup> 'Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. <sup>30</sup> Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. <sup>31</sup> Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, "He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption." <sup>32</sup> This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

### **Second Reading - 1 Peter 1:3-9**

**1** <sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, <sup>7</sup> so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup> Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup> for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

### **Gospel - John 20:19-31**

**20** <sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' <sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' <sup>24</sup> But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' <sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' <sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' <sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' <sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.