

Black Forest Lutheran Church

12455 Black Forest Rd., Colorado Springs, CO 80908
Church Office - 495-2221 Tues. – Thur. 9:00-2:00p / Fri. 9:00-12:00p
Ken Hohag, Pastor
Andrew Koetsier, Youth and Family Director
Third Sunday After Pentecost / June 18, 2023

The order of worship is the white Setting 4 booklet in the **black** Worship book.
The hymns are listed as **black**, liturgy pages as p.

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GATHERING

Prelude and Announcements
*Brief Order of Confession p. 3
Gathering Song *Sing Out Earth and Skies* **black 52**
Greeting/Kyrie p. 3
Prayer of the Day
God, our maker and redeemer, you have made us a new company of priests to bear witness to the Gospel. Enable us to be faithful to our calling to make known your promises to all the world; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORD

Children's Sermon	VBS Kids	Andrew Koetsier
First Reading	Exodus 19:2-8a	
Second Reading	Romans 5:1-8	
Celtic Alleluia	<i>Al-le-lu-ia 4x</i>	
Gospel	Matthew 9:35-10:8	
	Response: Thanks be to God	
Sermon	Helping the Lost Sheep	Pastor Ken
*Hymn of the Day	<i>The Harvest is Plentiful</i>	black 32
Apostles' Creed		p. 7
Prayers of Intercession	Response: Hear our prayer	
Sharing of the Peace		

MEAL

Offering	<i>For God So Loved the World</i>	black 71
*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. 9
Lord's Prayer		p. 10
Lamb of God		66
Distribution Hymns		16, 68, 75, 58
<i>Steve Lord & Patsy Wurster are available for laying on hands and prayers for healing.</i>		
*Prayer after Communion		

*Congregation please stand.

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SENDING

Benediction		
Sending Song	<i>Lord I Lift Your Name on High</i>	black 82
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.

<u>Serving Today</u>	
	9:00a
Altar Guild	Francesca Wahlborg / Linda Johnson
Assistants	Karen Gourley / Laura Betts
Greeter	Chris Cooper
Nursery Attendants	Jenna Yonce / Emma Jackson
Piano	Landra Decker
Reader	Roxie Larson
Recorder	Mary Benson
Sound	Jack Yonce
Uploader	George Cooper
Ushers	Mike & Lisa Regennitter

Flowers are given today in Celebration of Mark & Michele Robinson's 45th Anniversary.

First Reading
Exodus 19:2-8a

19 ²They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. ³Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: ⁴You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. ⁵Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, ⁶but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.' ⁷So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. ⁸The people all answered as one: 'Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do.' Moses reported the words of the people to the Lord.

Second Reading
Romans 5:1-8

5 ¹Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. ⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

Gospel
Matthew 9:35-10:8

9 ³⁵Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; ³⁸therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'**10** Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. ²These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James, son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James, son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. ⁵These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near."⁸ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.