

Black Forest Lutheran Church

12455 Black Forest Rd., Colorado Springs, CO 80908

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

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Fifth Sunday in Lent / Sunday, March 17, 2024

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	10:30
	red	black

Prelude and Announcements		
*Brief Order of Confession	p. 94	p. 3
Gathering Song	604	69
Greeting/Kyrie	p. 138	p. 3

Prayer of the Day
 Almighty God, our redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope in the world. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of 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

Children's Sermon		Andrew Koetsier
First Reading	Jeremiah 31:31-34	
Second Reading	Hebrew 5:5-10	
*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 12:20-33	
	Response: Thanks be to God	
Sermon	Lifted Up	Pastor Ken
*Hymn of the Day	360	Bulletin
Apostles' Creed	p. 105	p. 7
Prayers of Intercession	Response: Hear our prayer	
Sharing of the Peace		

MEAL

Offering	336	53
*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	616, 685, 623, 481	7, 33, 46, 50

*Prayer after Communion
 *Congregation please stand

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SENDING

Benediction		
Sending Song	338	71
Dismissal	Response: Thanks be to God	
Postlude		

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 and changing table are 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 4-7 can follow a teacher for wiggle worship. They will return to their parents during the offering.

Sunday School Classes at 9:30a:

- Pre-K to 5th Grade meet in Room #12 (down hallway off of Fellowship Hall) for first part of class, 3rd to 5th grade will move to Room #22 (upstairs) for the second part of class.
- 6th to 12th Grade: Andrew's office, next to the kitchen.

Easter Activity Sign-Ups. There are several activities planned for Easter. See them all listed on the bulletin board and sign-up!

Hymn of the Day – 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.

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<u>Serving Today</u>		
	8:00	10:30
Acolytes	Hannah Joiner	Alysha Snyder
Altar Guild	Pat Holte	Kris Partridge
Assistants	Laura Betts/Jim Johnston	Jon & Lisa Fountain
Greeters	Tiffany Brooks	Mike & Jutta Romans
Nursery Attendants	Holly Hanson/Jenna Yonce	
Organ	Barb Gurnett	
Piano		Alexandra Cullen
Readers	Nancy Lord	Colin Schmeisser
Recorder	Dave Williams	
Sound	Jack Yonce	Cesar Shinall
Uploader	George Cooper	
Ushers	Jim & Deanna Hormann	Scott Buttermore/Dave Meyer
Wiggle Worshipers		Jessica Worrell/ Jason Yonce Emma Jackson

Flowers are given today by Roxie Larson in Memory of Paul Larson

First Reading
Jeremiah 31:31-34

31 ³¹ The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, ‘Know the Lord’, for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Second Reading
Hebrews 5:5-10

5 ⁵ So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, ‘You are my Son, today I have begotten you’; ⁶ as he says also in another place, ‘You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.’ ⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸ Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹ and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰ having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Gospel
John 12:20-33

12 ²⁰ Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹ They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, ‘Sir, we wish to see Jesus.’ ²² Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³ Jesus answered them, ‘The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴ Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵ Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶ Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. ²⁷ ‘Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—“Father, save me from this hour”? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify your name.’ Then a voice came from heaven, ‘I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.’ ²⁹ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, ‘An angel has spoken to him.’ ³⁰ Jesus answered, ‘This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹ Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.’ ³³ He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.