

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
Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost / August 13, 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
Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merit of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORD

Children's Sermon Andrew Koetsier
First Reading 1 Kings 19:9-18
Second Reading Romans 10:5-15
*Gospel Acclamation p. 6
Gospel Matthew 14:22-33
Response: **Thanks be to God**
Sermon Peter Walks on Water Pastor Ken
*Hymn of the Day *He Will Hold Me Fast* **black 81**
Apostles' Creed p. 7
Prayers of Intercession Response: **Hear our prayer**
Sharing of the Peace

MEAL

Offering *Be Not Afraid* **black 19**
*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 **11, 27, 59, Precious Lord (see insert), 26**
*Prayer after Communion

*Congregation please stand.

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SENDING

Benediction
Sending Song *I Will Call Upon the Lord*
Dismissal Response: **Thanks be to God**
Postlude

black 31

**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 inside 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	Kris Partridge / Mary Anne Ricci
Assistants	Steve Marlow / Karen Gourley
Greeter	Shari Kraus
Keyboard	Alexandra Cullen
Nursery Attendants	Jenna Yonce
Reader	Roxie Larson
Recorder	Mary Benson
Sound	Patrick Turechek
Uploader	Patrick Turechek
Ushers	Nate & Jessica Johnson

*Flowers are given today in Celebration of Carolyn States' 100th Birthday,
and Bill & Jo Dieckhoff's 63rd Wedding Anniversary.*

First Reading - 1 Kings 19:9-18

1 ⁹ At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' ¹⁰ He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' ¹¹ He said, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.' Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; ¹² and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. ¹³ When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' ¹⁴ He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' ¹⁵ Then the LORD said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶ Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. ¹⁷ Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. ¹⁸ Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.'

Second Reading - Romans 10:5-15

10 ⁵ Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' ⁶ But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷ or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹ because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹ The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³ For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' ¹⁴ But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵ And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

Gospel - Matthew 14:22-33

14 ²² Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. ²⁵ And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' ²⁸ Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' ²⁹ He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. ³⁰ But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' ³² When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'