

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

Andrew Koetsier, Youth and Family Director

Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost / Sunday, November 12, 2023

The order of worship is in the **red** hymnal. **Hymns** are in the back of the hymnal.
Liturgy is in the front listed as p.

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GATHERING

Prelude and Announcements
Brief Order of Confession p. 94
*Gathering Song *We Are Marching in the Light* **red 866**
Greeting/Kyrie p. 138
Prayer of the Day
Lord, when the day of wrath comes we have no hope except in your grace. Make us so to watch for the last days that the consummation of our hope may be the joy of the marriage feast of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORD

Children's Sermon Andrew Koetsier
First Reading Amos 5:18-24
Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Gospel Acclamation p. 142
Gospel Mathew 25:1-13
Response: **Thanks be to God**
Sermon Let Your Light Shine! Pastor Ken
*Hymn of the Day *Christ, Be Our Light v.1, 2, 5* **red 715**
Apostles' Creed p. 105
Prayers of Intercession Response: **Hear our Prayer**
Sharing of the Peace

MEAL

Offering 8:00 *Come and Feast* Choir
10:30 *For the Bread Which You Have Broken* **red 494**
*Offering Prayer
Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
Great Thanksgiving p. 144
Lord's Prayer p. 145
Lamb of God p. 146
Distribution Hymns **red 528, 715 v. 3-4, 593, 262**
*Prayer after Communion

*Congregation please stand

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SENDING

Benediction
Sending Song *Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers* **red 244**
Dismissal
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 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:

- 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.

	<u>Serving Today</u>	
	8:00	10:30
Acolytes	Jason Yonce	Emma Webb
Altar Guild	Mary Anne Ricci	Linda Johnson
Assistants	Amy Churchill/Steve Marlow	Karen Gourley/Bob Uzman
Choir Director	Melanie Hohag	
Greeters	Ray & Linda Sherrier	Shari Kraus
Nursery Attendants	Jenna Yonce & Alex Gould	
Organ/Piano	Barb Gurnett	
Readers	Nancy Lord	Sunny Wilson
Recorder	Dave Williams	
Sound	Nate Knapp	Patrick Turechek
Uploader	Patsy Wurster	
Ushers	Greg Kleine/Steve Gurnett	Cody & Amy Long
Wiggle Worshipers		Amy Churchill Landon Toelle Emma Webb Alex Lacomia

Flowers are given today in Memory of Melissa Wurster's Birthday.

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First Reading

Amos 5:18-24

5 ¹⁸ Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD! Why do you want the day of the LORD? It is darkness, not light; ¹⁹ as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear; or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake. ²⁰ Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? ²¹ I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. ²² Even though you offer me your burnt-offerings and grain-offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. ²³ Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. ²⁴ But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

4 ¹³ But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴ For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. ¹⁵ For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. ¹⁶ For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. ¹⁸ Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Gospel

Matthew 25:1-13

25 'Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ² Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³ When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; ⁴ but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵ As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. ⁶ But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." ⁷ Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸ The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." ⁹ But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." ¹⁰ And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. ¹¹ Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." ¹² But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." ¹³ Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.