April 30, 2023 • 10:30am Church For ALL

STOP

GOING TO

CHURCH.

BE THE CHURCH.







WELCOME to Elk River Lutheran Church

Welcome to Elk River Lutheran Church! Whether you are joining us in-person or online, we're glad you're here. Elk River Lutheran Church is a forward-thinking congregation made up of people of all ages. We are a pretty new church (formed in 2009), located in a remodeled bank building on the Mississippi River in downtown Elk River. Our mission is: *Trusting in God's grace, an accepting, joyful community, serving God and neighbor.*

We are a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and celebrate the work we're able to do together as a denomination (to learn more about the ELCA visit www.elca.org). We welcome all people and as a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation that welcome extends to the LGBTQ+ community.

Please fill out the enclosed Connection Form slip and drop it in an offering plate to receive more information about Elk River Lutheran or share prayer concerns.

THINGS TO KNOW FOR THE SERVICE TODAY:

- **Bathrooms**, complete with changing tables for little ones, are located in the Fellowship Hall in the corner opposite of the main entrance.
- We welcome **kids** with their wiggles and noises in worship. We are also aware that as a parent, time away from wiggles and noises can be a blessing too. You will find our staffed nursery (For children 5 and under) by the entrance in the far corner of the fellowship hall.

We hope and pray you have a wonderful worship experience here today. To learn more about the many opportunities to participate and volunteer with the ministries of ERLC, visit our website: https://www.elkriverlutheran.org

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

	Sunday, April 30	Next Sunday, May 7		
Greeters	Krista Schrock and Myles Wagner			
Ushers	Rick and Nancy Bock			
Scripture Reader	Asher Johnson			
Communion Steward				
Communion Servers	Sarah Chur and Grace Livingston			
Sunday Morning Communion Setup/ CleanUp				
Mid-Week Communion Fill	Lorie Schulstad-Werk			
PowerPoint Operator				
Soundboard Operator				
Switcher Operator	Nick Campbell	Nick Campbell		

If you would like to serve, Great! Please contact Taylor Quinn so we can get you filled in. If you cannot volunteer for the upcoming Sunday, please contact Taylor @ taylor@elkriverlutheran.org

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Gathering of God's People

Welcome

Sharing of the Peace

Gathering Song "I Belong"

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer of the Day

Kids Connect

Scripture Reading John 4:1-26

Sermon Pastor Anne Schaefer

Song of the Day "Vagabonds"

Sharing & Receiving the Gifts of God

Offering

Offertory Prayer

Confession and Forgiveness

Holy Communion

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Song "Honey in the Rock"

Communion Blessing

The Sending of God's People

Community Announcements

Sending Blessing

Sending Song "Blue Collar Praise"

Sending Dialog

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Praise the Lord (joys and answered prayers):

 Heartfelt Thanks to God and the congregation for healing prayers and support following my auto accident one year ago, April 17, 2022. I have been blessed. Karen Acers

In Sympathy

- Family and Friends of Dave Burandt, husband of Barbara Burandt
- Family and Friends of James Potvin, Dare Funeral Luncheon here Thursday, April 20

For Support

- Ron and Kathie Nielsen, parents of Pete Nielsen
- Ryan



SHARE YOUR PRAYER CONCERNS:

- Email linda@elkriverlutheran.org
- Fill out on your connection form
- Contact the church office at (763) 595-1216
- Fill out form on church website at elkriverlutheran.org

Generally, prayer requests will run for 3 weeks. If more time is needed, please call the church office

Health concerns

- Joey, son of Martha Hippe's friend, brain surgery on 4/28
- Kevin Nelson, recovering from open-heart surgery, brother of Karen Froelich
- Kevin Nelson's daughter (niece of Karen Froelich) born with an enlarged liver and is battling cancer
- Dale Kazeck, cancer, brother of Ruth Traaseth
- Tracy Herrlinger's Dad
- Julie Hendricks, daughter of Cedric and Marlys Olson, breast cancer
- Tom Anderson, brother-in-law of Tom and Lorie Werk, Lori's sister, shingles
- Sara Anderson, sister to Lorie Werk, Stage 1 lung cancer
- Janelle Hahn, breast cancer & surgery, daughter-in-law of Stan and Diane Hahn
- Curt Bergemann, in hospice
- · Carol Sindelir, Val Nelson's sister
- Ron Stricker, has completed 4 rounds of Chemo Therapy. CT scan is scheduled for May 1.
- Tom Lund, nephew of Deb Pouliot, stage 4 brain cancer
- · Mary Wells, pancreatic cancer
- Anne S. friend of Mike and Linda Quam, completed radiation, ongoing chemo for spread of brain & bone cancer
- Linda Campbell's sister Bonnie and her partner Richard who was diagnosed with cancer and receiving treatments for next 4-6 months
- Renee Anderson, bone cancer, Vicki Sackmeister's sister
- Art Johnson, pulmonary fibrosis
- Nancy Naig
- Yvonne Frandsen, cancer, aunt of Jennifer Stanlev
- Conni Natwick, complete healing from cancer, successful surgery and radiation therapy
- Steve Lindberg
- · Diane McGrath, pancreatic cancer
- Ken Bucher
- · Kris West, daughter of Bob and Sue Hagen
- Duane Jerde







Matching Gift Challenge

Easter - May 21

6 week appeal to collect funds to support LSSMN's work with refugees. Thanks to the generous commitment of one of our members, all gifts up to \$5000 will be matched dollar for dollar. We have a great opportunity to help some of our newest neighbors. Be the Church!



How to Give: In Memo or Give To Field: <u>Lutheran Social Services – Refugee Services</u>

Ways to Give



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Downtown Block Party Sunday, May 21 11:00am-1:00pm

Elk River Lutheran Church - 729 Main Street - Elk River



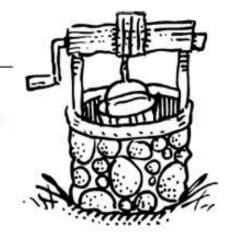
Joint Outdoor Worship Service at 9:30am to start the Celebration

The Thirst Quencher

Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."

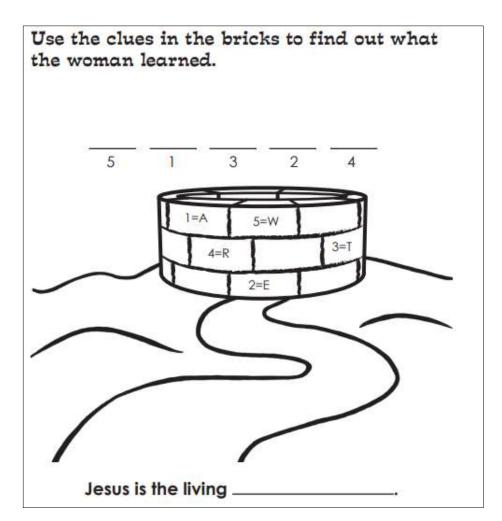
John 4:10 (NIV)

Based on John 4:5-13



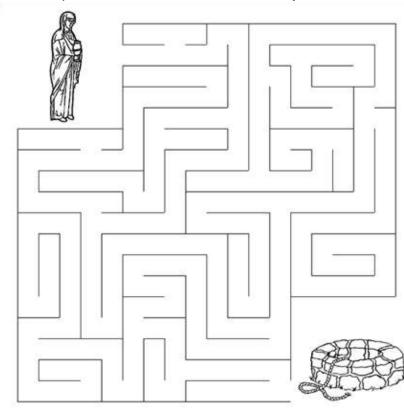
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Help the Samaritan woman find the way to the well.



WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY

8:30am Traditional Worship with Kids Connect

9:30am Fellowship Hour

9:30am New Member Orientation

(Community Room)

10:30am Contemporary Worship with Kids Connect

MONDAY

7:30pm Worship Band Rehearsal

TUESDAY

9:00am Quilting (Lower Level Quilting Room)
10:00am Text Study – Optional Fellowship Time starting at 9:30am (Lower Level Community Room)
6:00pm Riverside Ringers

WEDNESDAY

6:30pm Confirmation

6:30pm High School Youth

THURSDAY

10:00am Genealogy Group **6:00pm** Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY

9:00am Women's Coffee (Panera, Elk River)9:00am Men's Breakfast (Coborns, Elk River)

SATURDAY

8:00am Men's Bible Study (Zoom Bible Study)

NEXT SUNDAY

New Member Sunday

8:30am Traditional Worship with Kids Connect **9:30am** Fellowship Hour

10:30am Contemporary Worship with Kids Connect

11:45am Umbrella Meeting

5:00pm Special ERLC Hours at Varty's Greenhouse

SMALL GROUPS

ERLC Quilting Group

Tuesdays @ 9AM
Lower Level at Church

Mission Quilts are made for Lutheran World Relief. *All skill levels welcome.*

Text Study

Tuesdays @ 10AM (Optional Fellowship @9:30AM) Meeting in the Lower Level Community Room

Studying the bible text for the upcoming Sunday Worship along with the preaching pastor.

All are welcome. Come once or come every week

Men's Breakfast

Fridays @ 9AM Coborns, Elk River Food – Fellowship

Women's Coffee

Fridays @ 9AM
Panera, Elk River
Coffee – Food – Fellowship

Men's Bible Study

Saturdays @ 8AM On Zoom

Find a link at https://www.elkriverlutheran.org/adult-ministries.html

Genealogy Group

1st Thursday of the Month 10AM – 12 Noon 2nd Floor Conference Room

All are welcome even if you haven't joined before. Meeting begins by sharing what each are working on, discoveries, questions, roadblocks and family stories.

Women's Monthly Bible Study

3rd Monday of the Month 6:30PM Lower Level at the Church

This group follows the Bible Studies of the Women's ELCA magazine Gather.

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Tom Werk





Confirmation Worship Notes Form Confirmation Volunteer Form

Ways to Give



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Additional Ways to Give:

- **Automated Recurring Giving:** Set up online via website give button, via the Tithe.ly phone app or by contacting the church office
- **Stocks:** consider donating stocks through a conversation with your financial advisor and the church.

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SERIES OVERVIEW

In these weeks after Easter we're going to encourage you to Stop Going To Church... and instead Be the Church!

We usually talk about "church" as a destination. "I'm going to church." "I missed church this weekend." "You better behave in church!" (hopefully that last one is to a child and not an adult) But church is way more than just a place. Church is a people living out the faith together.

Trusting in God's grace, an accepting, joyful community, serving God and neighbor.

This shared mission never mentions a building or a location, it describes our shared life and faith together.

April 23 - Be The Church

April 30 - Church For ALL

May 7 - Just A Phase

May 14 - Bring the Church

May 21 - In The Neighborhood

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