

*June 4, 2023 • 10:30am*  
*Building Dedication and Celebration*

Stories and Teachings  
from the

# Gospel of Matthew

SUMMER 2023



# **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](http://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**

	<b>Sunday, June 4</b>	<b>Next Sunday, June 11</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	Joe Livingston and Gail Palmer	
<b>Ushers</b>	Dan Nelson	
<b>Scripture Reader</b>	Kerry Livingston	
<b>Communion Servers</b>	Katherine and Audrey Horner	Greg and Debby Pouliot
<b>Sunday Morning Communion Setup/ CleanUp</b>		Martha Hippe
<b>Mid-Week Communion Fill</b>		Jodi Rosati
<b>PowerPoint Operator</b>	Grace Livingston	
<b>Soundboard Operator</b>		
<b>Switcher Operator</b>	Nick Campbell	Jeff Schrock

*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](mailto:taylor@elkriverlutheran.org)*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## ***The Gathering of God's People***

Welcome

Sharing of the Peace

Gathering Song

***"Blue Collar Praise"***

Dedication of a Church Building: Service of Dedication

## ***The Word of God Proclaimed***

Prayer of the Day

Children's Sermon

*Rev. John Hulden*

Scripture Readings

Matthew 28:16-20

Sermon

*Pastor Nathan Mugaas*

Song of the Day

***"The Kingdom of the Lord is Here"***

## ***Sharing & Receiving the Gifts of God***

Offering

***"Magnificent, Marvelous, Matchless Love"***  
*Featuring ERLC Choir and ERLC Worship Band*

Offertory Prayer

Confession and Forgiveness

Holy Communion

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Song

***"God of Justice"***

Communion Blessing

## ***The Sending of God's People***

Community Announcements

Blessing for Sabbatical

Sending Blessing

Sending Song

***"My Lighthouse"***

Sending Dialog

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

### ***Praise the Lord*** (joys and answered prayers):

- For the successful completion of Elk River Lutheran's first Capital Appeal 2020-2022
- For this new sanctuary and entrance space
- For everyone from the appeal volunteers, to the building committee and church council as well as Terra construction and the construction workers who made this space a reality.

### ***In Sympathy***

- Family and Friends of JoAnne Peterson, sister of Jerry Jackson (Joanne is from Dallas TX)
- Family and Friends of Judy Sloan
- Family and Friends of Chad Lundquist

### ***For Support***

- Ron and Kathie Nielsen, parents of Pete Nielsen



### ***Health concerns***

- Blair, cancer (prayer request by Rita and Kevin Jenkins)
- Donna Mathison, surgery on May 23 for a blockage to the brain
- Carol Sindelir, Val Nelson's sister
- Ron Stricker: 6th chemo treatment completed. CT scan shows cancer is stable
- 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 Stanley
- 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

## SHARE YOUR PRAYER CONCERNS:

- Email [linda@elkriverlutheran.org](mailto: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](http://elkriverlutheran.org)

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



# The Great Commission

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 28:16-20



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## WEEK AHEAD

### SUNDAY

*Sanctuary Dedication and Celebration*  
*Pastor Nathan Sabbatical Blessing*

**8:30am** Traditional Worship  
**9:30am** Fellowship Hour  
**10:30am** Contemporary Worship

### MONDAY

**10:00am** Hospitality Meeting

### TUESDAY

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

### THURSDAY

**Last Day of School, ISD 728**

### 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

*Aubrey Thonvold, Reconciling Works*  
*Guest Speaker*

**8:30am** Traditional Worship  
**9:30am** Fellowship Hour  
**10:30am** Contemporary Worship

## 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

*1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the Month*  
*10AM – 12 Noon*  
2<sup>nd</sup> 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

*3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month*  
*6:30PM*  
Lower Level at the Church

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

## STAFF

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## CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

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**Treasurer:** Mark Johnson

Sue Hales  
Julie Marie Haugen  
Conni Natwick  
Jeff Schrock  
Jennifer Stanley  
Tom Werk



*Please Recycle Me!*



Confirmation Worship  
Notes Form



Confirmation Volunteer  
Form

## Ways to Give



**Cash / Check**  
Offering plate is  
by the entrances  
to the sanctuary



**Mobile Giving**  
QR Code



**Text to Give**  
Text Give to  
(612) 324-8257

### 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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