

*July 9, 2023 • 10:30am*  
*6th Sunday after Pentecost*

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, July 9</b>	<b>Next Sunday, July 16</b>
<b>Greeters</b>		Shari and Justin Howland
<b>Ushers</b>	Joe and Kerry Livingston	Mark and Amelia Schwarze
<b>Scripture Reader</b>	Matt Rotz	Conni Natwick
<b>Communion Servers</b>	Martha Hippe	Lisa Bossany
<b>Sunday Morning Communion Setup/ CleanUp</b>	Martha Hippe	
<b>Mid-Week Communion Fill</b>		
<b>PowerPoint Operator</b>	Krista Schrock	Nick Campbell
<b>Soundboard Operator</b>	Jeff Schrock	Jeff Schrock
<b>Switcher Operator</b>	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](mailto:taylor@elkriverlutheran.org)*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

Prelude

*"Down to the River to Pray"*  
featuring Kaleidoscope Quartet

Welcome

Sharing of the Peace

Gathering Song

***"Magnificent, Marvelous, Matchless Love"***

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

Prayer of the Day

Suckers and Bible Stories

"The Lord's Prayer", Spark Story Bible, Pg 278  
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Scripture Readings

Sermon

*Rev. Linda S. Campbell*

Song of the Day

***"Living Waters"***

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

Offering

*"Sicut cervus"*  
featuring Kaleidoscope Quartet

Offertory Prayer

Confession and Forgiveness

Holy Communion

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Song

***"Goodness of God"***

Communion Blessing & Prayer

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

Community Announcements

Sending Blessing

Sending Song

***"Grateful"***

Sending Dialog

Postlude

*"Will the Circle Be Unbroken"*  
featuring Kaleidoscope Quartet

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## **Rev. Linda S. Campbell**

Rev. Linda Campbell was ordained in 1981 in the Lutheran Church of America, a predecessor body of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. She served as pastor of a congregation and as a campus pastor in Wisconsin, before returning to Minnesota where she completed training and certification as a Chaplain and a Certified Educator in Clinical Pastoral Care. She served as Associate Director of Chaplains at the University of Minnesota Hospital and Clinic; Director of Chaplaincy and CPE at Regions Hospital; and as Clinical Pastoral Educator and Chaplain Supervisor (Chief) at the St. Cloud Veterans Affairs Health Care System prior to retiring in 2020.

## **SUMMER WORSHIP** **Sunday, July 16**

Stories and Teachings  
from the

**Gospel of  
Matthew**



**Katie  
Hendrikson**  
Matthew 13:  
1-9, 18-23

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

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

- Elwood Chouinard, oldest brother of Paul had a successful triple by-pass surgery and doesn't have much pain and is doing good. He will just have some rehab to do. Thanks for praying!

### ***In Sympathy***

- Family and Friends of Dorothy "Dodo" Kjeldahl Johnson of Belgrade MN. Maternal Aunt of Dale Ziner
- Family and Friends of Lyle Ott, Dare Funeral Luncheon at ERLC on July 12
- Family and Friends of Keith Naig, older brother of Chuck Naig
- Family and Friends of Carla McNair

### ***For Support***

### ***Health concerns***

- Jeanne Jenkins
- Donn Granros
- Garnet Novotny
- John Wagner, Grandpa of Myles and Mason Wagner has liver cancer
- Roger Bentz
- Joanne, recovery from knee replacement surgery on 6/16
- Carol Sindelir, Val Nelson's sister
- Ron Stricker: Cancer treatments ongoing.
- Tom Lund, nephew of Deb Pouliot, stage 4 brain cancer
- Mary Wells, pancreatic 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*

# *Come to Me*

Matthew 11:28-30

## *Word Search Puzzle*

F Q N E Y M Y V K K D X G X E  
Q Q K O Q R G H U M B L E M S  
W O Q F A V E I E D T E O R Z  
Y M O E V B N Y Q Q K C T B V  
F N W L S W T H V A D C M U W  
P H K G R O L E T R W T F R D  
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HUMBLE  
SOULS  
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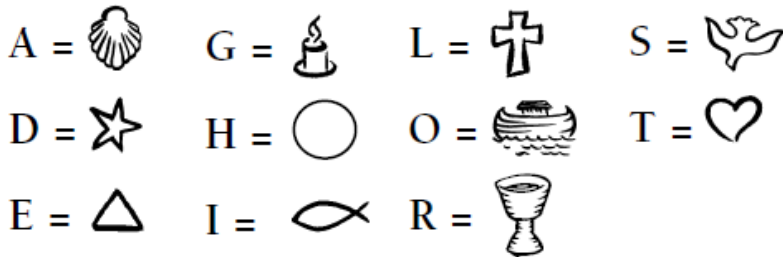
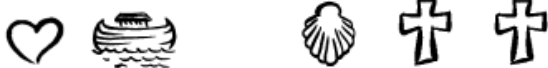
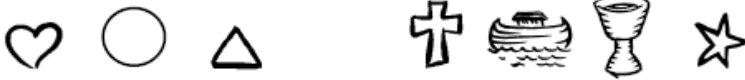


## Finding rest

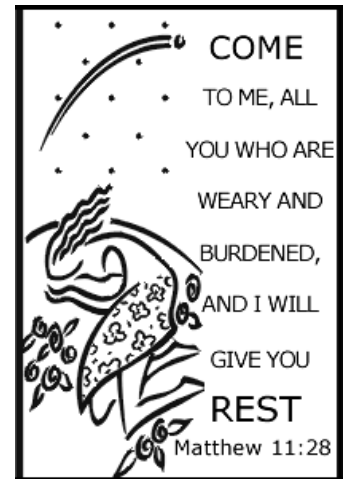
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Jesus knew it could be tiring and even discouraging to follow in God's way. So he told his disciples to come to him to find rest. We are invited to come to Jesus when we pray.

Psalm 145 is a song of praise. Use the code to discover the message in verse 9.



A symbol is a picture that reminds you of something you've learned. Look around you. Do you see a cross? What other symbols from the word puzzle do you see in your worship space? Draw them here.



**this week**

Make a long list of the many ways everyone in your home sees God's presence.

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# HERO HOTLINE

Called Together  
to Serve God!



# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**August 6 - 9**

**Sunday: 10:30am - 1:00pm**

**Monday-Wednesday: 5:30pm - 8pm**

**\*\*includes meal each day**

**Register by July 30th**  
**at [elkriverlutheran.org/vbs](http://elkriverlutheran.org/vbs)**







**Kaleidoscope  
Quartet**



# An Afternoon with Kaleidoscope Quartet

**Sunday, July 9th - 3pm**

Join us at Elk River Lutheran Church and hear a wide array of musical selections from Disney, Palestrina, Seal, and Queen! There will be a reception following the performance, hosted by ERLC Music Ministry.

**Tickets: \$25\***  
**kquartet.com**



\*Senior and child discounts are available.

**60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY\*\***

## **Wayne and Ruth Traaseth**

**Join in the celebration  
with some cake during Fellowship Hour  
Sunday, July 9th**

**Actual Wedding Anniversary Date is July 13th \*\***





## WEEK AHEAD

### SUNDAY

**Pr. Linda Campbell, Guest Preacher**

**8:30am** Traditional Worship

**9:30am** Fellowship Hour

  *Cake during fellowship in celebration of Wayne and Ruth Traaseth's 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on 7/13*

**10:30am** Contemporary Worship

Summer Festival Camp Grades 9-12 Departs

**3:00pm** Kaleidoscope Quartet Concert

### 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*)

**10:00am** Moms Club of Otsego/Elk River

### WEDNESDAY

Summer Festival Camp Grades 9-12 Returns

**7:00pm** Dare Funeral Luncheon for Lyle Ott

### 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

**Katie Hendrikson, Guest Speaker**

**8:30am** Traditional Worship

**9:30am** Fellowship Hour

**10:30am** Contemporary Worship

Summer Festival Camp Grades 6-8 Departs

## 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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**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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Church Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9 am – 4 pm; Fri Closed

**ELK RIVER LUTHERAN CHURCH**

# LUTHERAN

*Night with the Twins*



TICKETS  
**\$21**

TUESDAY  
**15**  
AUGUST

**TIGERS**

**VS**

**TWINS**

**TARGET FIELD**

Join us for a fun-filled night at the Twins.  
PLUS: All invited to join in singing the National Anthem.  
Those interested, be there ready to sing at 5:30pm.

**FIRST PITCH 6:40PM**

**SEATS TOGETHER IN SECTION 324 • INCLUDES HOTDOG AND POP**

Sign up at [elkriverlutheran.org](http://elkriverlutheran.org), Deadline Sunday July 23  
Questions, reach out to Pastor Anne

