

July 16, 2023 • 10:30am
7th 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). 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, July 16	Next Sunday, July 23
Greeters	Shari and Justin Howland	Martha Hippe and Krista Schrock
Ushers	Mark and Amelia Schwarze	Dan Nelson and Zoey Day
Assisting Minister		Cedric Olson
Scripture Reader	Conni Natwick	Chris Brown
Communion Servers	Lisa Bossany and Jodie Dahlheimer	David Katzner
Sunday Morning Communion Setup/ CleanUp	Debby Pouliot	Zoey Day
Mid-Week Communion Fill	Jodi Rosati	Nancy Bock
PowerPoint Operator	Nick Campbell	Chloe Sandvig
Soundboard Operator	Jeff Schrock	Justin Howland
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

"May the Peoples Praise You"

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer of the Day

Suckers and Bible Stories

Scripture Readings

Sermon

Song of the Day

"The Sower", Spark Story Bible, Pg 292
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Katie Hendrikson

"The Kingdom of the Lord is Here"

Sharing & Receiving the Gifts of God

Offering

Offertory Prayer

Confession and Forgiveness

Holy Communion

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Song

Communion Blessing & Prayer

"Great is Thy Faithfulness (Beginning to End)"

The Sending of God's People

Community Announcements

Sending Blessing

Sending Song

Sending Dialog

"How Great Thou Art"

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Katie Hendrikson

Katie is a 2022 graduate of Luther Seminary where she earned the degree of Master of Divinity with a concentration in congregation and community care. She has a big heart for pastoral care, especially for those who are in their final moments of life on earth. Most recently, Katie lived in Vancouver, Washington while serving as a pastoral intern but now resides in Inver Grove Heights, MN. Katie currently works at Edina Community Lutheran Church where she serves as the director of Children, Youth, and Family ministries as she awaits a first call- she loves working with the next generation of the church and is excited to see what their future holds. In her freetime, Katie loves to watch baseball, drink coffee, and spend time in her garden. She is thrilled to be joining you all today and looks forward to leading worship with her close friend, Pastor Anne!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Praise the Lord (joys and answered prayers):

- On Wednesday, July 12th, Hartley and Kathy Dahl celebrated their 64th Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations!

In Sympathy

- Family and Friends of Chuck Hatfield, uncle of Pastor Anne Schaefer
- Family and Friends of Crystal Brown (her family is husband Rob, Sons Cody (22), Ethan (17) and Zane (8)). Cousin of Pastor Anne Schaefer
- Family and Friends of Dorothy "Dodo" Kjeldahl Johnson of Belgrade MN. Maternal Aunt of Dale Ziner
- Family and Friends of Marlene Petersen, Dare Funeral Luncheon at ERLC on July 11
- 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

For Support

- Ed and Linda Retel, neighbor-friend of Pauline Kuhn

Health concerns

- Linda Retel, inoperable brain mass, starting radiation and chemo week of 7/17.
- Larry Koppel, bone marrow cancer, friend of Gail Palmer
- Sandy Fisker, Parkinson's Disease, cousin of Gail Palmer
- Norma Madsen, cancer
- Jeanne Jenkins
- Donn Granros
- Garnet Novotny
- John Wagner, Grandpa of Myles and Mason Wagner has liver cancer
- Roger Bentz
- Joanne, recovery from knee replacement
- 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
- Art Johnson, pulmonary fibrosis
- Nancy Naig
- Yvonne Frandsen, cancer, aunt of Jennifer Stanley
- Conni Natwick, complete healing from cancer
- 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
- 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



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PLANTS	SCORCH	FARMER	THORNS	CROP
WITHER	BIRDS	ROOT	CHOKE	SOIL
FELL	PARABLE	SCATTER	SEED	GREW
ROCKY	SHALLOW	GOOD	SOW	PATH

ELK RIVER LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Night with the Twins

TICKETS
\$21

TUESDAY
15
AUGUST

DEADLINE:
SUNDAY, JULY 23

TIGERS VS TWINS

TARGET FIELD
FIRST PITCH 6:40PM



Sign up at elkriverlutheran.org
Questions, reach out to Pastor Anne

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

COKESBURY'S

HERO HOTLINE

Called Together
to Serve God!



 Elk River
LUTHERAN

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



WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY

Katie Hendrikson, Guest Speaker

8:30am Traditional Worship

9:30am Fellowship Hour

10:30am Contemporary Worship

Summer Festival Camp Grades 6-8 Departs

MONDAY

NO JULY Women's Monthly Bible Study
(See You in August)

TUESDAY

9:00am Quilting (*Lower Level Quilting Room*)

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

WEDNESDAY

Summer Festival Camp Grades 6-8 Returns

6:30pm Church Council

THURSDAY

10:00am Worship at Guardian Angels Riverview
Landing

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*)

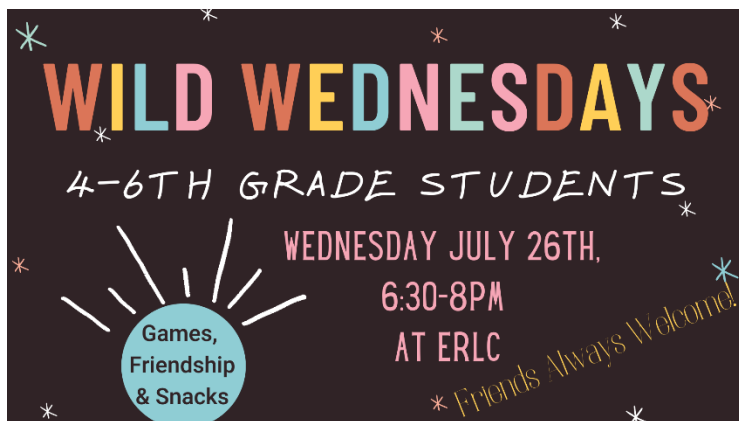
NEXT SUNDAY

Pastor Anne Schaefer preaching

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

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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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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