

**January 28, 2024 • 10:30am**

*Renewing Relationships and Community*

# REKINDLING FAITH IN THE NEW YEAR

*Rekindle the gift of God that is within you.  
2 Timothy 1:6*



# **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, January 28</b>	<b>Sunday, February 4</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	Krista Schrock and John Natwick	Paula and Pat Donnelly
<b>Ushers</b>	Tracie Klemenhagen and Dan Nelson	Lisa Bossany and John Auel
<b>Scripture Reader</b>	Davidh Katzner	Clara Anderson
<b>Communion Servers</b>	Paula Donnelly and Krista Schrock	Audrey Horner and Jodie Dahlheimer
<b>Sunday Morning Communion Setup/ CleanUp</b>	Zoey Day	Nancy Bock
<b>Communion Steward</b>	Cathy Dalnes	Dan Nelson
<b>Mid-Week Communion Fill</b>	Nancy Bock	Julie Marie Haugen
<b>PowerPoint Operator</b>	Shari Howland	Asher Johnson
<b>Soundboard Operator</b>	Justin Howland	Bennett Johnson
<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***

Welcome

Sharing of the Peace

Litany of Warming

Gathering Song

Song of Praise

***"Oh How Good It Is"***

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

Prayer of the Day

Kids Connect

Scripture Readings

Sermon

Song of the Day

1 Corinthians 12:12-26

*Pastor Anne Schaefer*

***"The Church Song"***

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

Offering

***"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"***  
*featuring the Riverside Ringers*

Offertory Prayer

Holy Communion

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Song

Communion Blessing

***"For All That You Have Done"***

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

Community Announcements

Sending Blessing

Sending Song

Sending Dialog

***"Feels Good"***

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## Prayer Requests

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

- Steve Bucholz, now home recovering

### ***In Sympathy***

- Family and Friends of Norma Madsen
- Family and Friends of Donald Olson, cousin of Linda Nielsen
- Family and Friends of Christpher Dronen, cousin of Kari Christianson
- Family and Friends of Jerry McCann, friend of Hartley and Kathy Dalhl
- Family and Friends of Beverly Burtness
- Family and Friends of Joann Walstad, Julie Marie Haugen's aunt

### ***For Support***

- There is a young mother and her children who have been living in an unhealthy and abusive situation. Please pray for their safety, guidance and help for the father to find his way to getting help.

### ***Health concerns***

- Linda Cheney
- John Severson
- Anne Stoltman, cancer
- Bonnie Swedal, cancer
- Pat Guimont
- Donn Granros
- Shari Howland, lots of pain
- Kiley, husband to niece of Carol Roden needs a liver transplant
- Robin Skeie, cousin of Diana Schansberg, now at Wellstead working to go home.
- Garnet Novotny - cancer
- Carol Sindelir, Val Nelson's sister
- Marie Abrahamsson, cancer, Pauline Kuhn's cousin
- Linda Retel, ongoing treatment for inoperable brain cancer (friend of Pauline Kuhn)
- Diane Harding, ALS diagnosis
- Brian Harding
- Mary Wells, pancreatic cancer
- Nancy Naig
- Diane McGrath, pancreatic cancer
- Ken Bucher
- Kris West, daughter of Bob and Sue Hagen
- Duane Jerde

### **Share Your Prayer Concerns:**



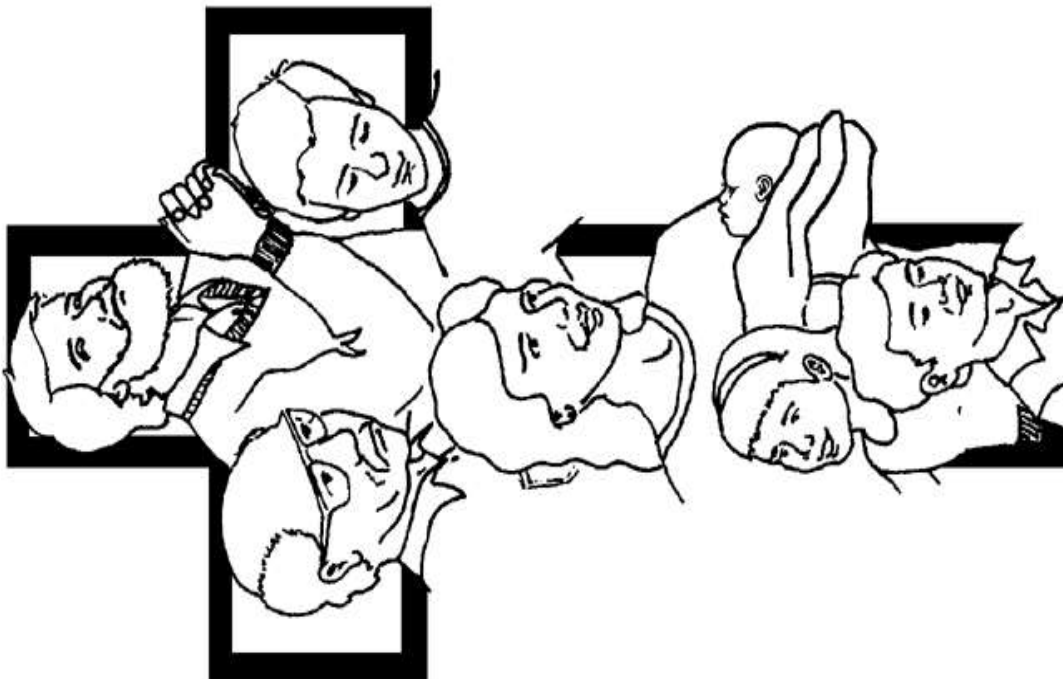
- Email [linda@elkriverlutheran.org](mailto:linda@elkriverlutheran.org)
- Fill out on your connection form
- Contact the church office at (763) 595-1216
- Fill out form on church website at [elkriverlutheran.org](http://elkriverlutheran.org)

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

# Many Parts, One Body

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

Baptism	Body	Brain
Ears	Eyes	Feet
Hands	Head	Knees
Nose	Spirit	Toes



Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.  
1 Corinthians 12:27

# News & Opportunities



## *Meals on Wheels this February*

Elk River Lutheran will be delivering meals for Meals on Wheels weekdays throughout the month of February. Pickup Meals daily at 10:30am, and delivery is about an hour. If you are interested in helping out for a day, or a week, **volunteer by reaching out to:** Barb Overbye: 612-799-5929, [boverbye@gmail.com](mailto:boverbye@gmail.com); or Linda Felska: 763-242-5319, [thefelskas@aol.com](mailto:thefelskas@aol.com)



## *Kid's Connect This Sunday*

This is a great time to learn about God and make new friends! Kids attend worship with their parents or other caring adults and then leave during the sermon for their own lesson, bible reading and prayer.

**Volunteers Needed.** Sign up at [bit.ly/35cEYQb](https://bit.ly/35cEYQb)



## *RIC Celebration - Sunday, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> at Both Services*

Reconciling in Christ (RIC) Sunday is an annual worship celebration created to share in the commitment our organization and partnering faith communities have in the ongoing work of welcome, inclusion, celebration, and advocacy of LGBTQIA+ people in the life of the church. Guest preacher: Pastor Andrea Bonneville-DeNaples



## *Ash Wednesday and Soup Supper, February 14<sup>th</sup>*

Wednesday February 14th starts the season of Lent with Ash Wednesday service at 6:30pm. Before this is our annual Soup Supper at 5:30pm. **Sign up today** to bring soup for this meal at [bit.ly/2024LentMeals](https://bit.ly/2024LentMeals)



## *Dinner Church Returns Wed. February 21<sup>st</sup>*

Wednesdays in Lent are a time when we gather together for worship and fellowship. During the Lenten season you are invited to join us for Dinner Church (February 21, 28, March 3, 10 & 17), an experience that combines a meal, fellowship, and worship into one shared experience. Dinner Church begins at 6:00 PM in the Community Room. You'll probably want to arrive ten to fifteen minutes early and find some people to sit with. Each week volunteers help get things set up, bring portions of the meal, and clean up afterward. We work together to make these gatherings happen and experience great fellowship together. I hope you'll join us! **Sign up today** to bring part of the meal at [bit.ly/2024LentMeals](https://bit.ly/2024LentMeals)



## *Genealogy Group meets this Thursday, Feb 1<sup>st</sup>*

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.

## *This Week at Elk River Lutheran*

### SUNDAY

#### *RIC Sunday*

8:30am Traditional Worship with Kids Connect  
9:30am Annual Meeting  
10:30am Contemporary Worship with Kids Connect

### MONDAY

7:30pm Worship Band

### TUESDAY

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

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

10:00am Text Study (*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*

7:00pm AA Meeting (*Community Room*)

### WEDNESDAY

4:30pm Generosity Team

6:30pm High School Youth

6:30pm Confirmation

### THURSDAY

10:00am Genealogy Group

(2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room)

6:00pm Choir Rehearsal

6:30pm Financial Peace University Class

### 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*)

*Find a link at:*

*<https://www.elkriverlutheran.org/adult-ministries.html>*

### NEXT SUNDAY



#### *RIC Sunday*

8:30am Traditional Worship with Kids Connect

9:30am Fellowship Hour

10:30am Contemporary Worship with Kids Connect



## *New Grief Group: Journey Through Loss*

Loss of any kind can be difficult, but you don't have to go through it alone. Death, divorce, job changes, empty nesting, impaired physical abilities...whatever you are experiencing, come meet with others on the journey through grief and study the study the book of Ruth together. Led by Pastor Anne and other experienced Grief Ministers, this study will happen for 5 weeks on Mondays from 6:30-8pm, Feb 19th - March 18th. All are welcome, no cost.



## *High School Retreat: Last Day to Register Mon. 2/5*

This High School Retreat will be at Luther Crest Bible Camp. We will leave Elk River on Friday February 9<sup>th</sup> and return Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. We'll lodge in cabins, play outside, drink hot cocoa around a fire and more! Don't miss this chance to get to camp!

## Meet the Staff

### **Pastor Nathan Mugaas**

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### **Lori Sundman**

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### **Nursery Attendants:**

Clara Anderson, Emma Anderson  
and Amy Brown

## Meet the Church Council

**President:**

David Katzner

**Vice President:**

Kent Larson

**Secretary:**

Matt Glasoe

**Treasurer:**

Mark Johnson

Sue Hales

Julie Marie Haugen

Conni Natwick

Jeff Schrock

Jennifer Stanley

Tom Werk

## Confirmation Links



Confirmation Worship  
Notes Form



Confirmation Volunteer  
Form

**2023 Year End Giving Statements** were emailed out to 2023 Givers on Thursday January 18<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon. It was only emailed to one member of the household. Check your spam/junk folder if you cannot find it. It came from [linda@elkriverlutheran.org](mailto:linda@elkriverlutheran.org)

## 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.

## **Elk River Lutheran Church**

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