

*May 26, 2024 • 10:30am*  
*Jacob: Wrestling with God*

# The Good Book

Stories of Some Real  
Characters in the Bible



# **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, May 26</b>	<b>Sunday, June 2</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	Martha Hippe and John Natwick	Paula and Pat Donnelly
<b>Ushers</b>	Michelle Hagberg, Mary Hestness and Amanda Tschakert	Mark Schwarze and Jeremiah Schaefer
<b>Scripture Reader</b>	Mandy Day	Chloe Sandvig
<b>Communion Servers</b>	Nancy Bock and Paula Donnelly	Jodie Dahlheimer and Laura Guimont
<b>Sunday Morning Communion Setup/ CleanUp</b>	Zoey Day	Nancy Bock
<b>Communion Steward</b>	Greg Pouliot	Dan Nelson
<b>Mid-Week Communion Fill</b>	Jodi Rosati	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

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

***"Isaac's Blessing"***

Genesis 32: 24-31

***Pastor Nathan Mugaas***

***"Honey in the Rock"***

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

Offering

Offertory Prayer

Confession and Forgiveness

Holy Communion

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Song

Communion Blessing

***"O Give Thanks to the Lord"***

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

Community Announcements

Sending Blessing

Sending Song

Sending Dialog

***"O God of Life"***

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## Prayer Requests

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

- Grateful for the successful joint outdoor worship service and downtown block party that extended to the neighborhood, providing free food, carnival games, and entertainment, all thanks to the dedicated efforts of many volunteers.

### ***In Sympathy***

- Samantha's husband Tony's grandmother

### ***For Support***

- Kathie Nielsen, Pete Nielsen's mother. Moved into memory care May 17<sup>th</sup>.

### ***Health concerns***

- Carley Sorensen, Foot/Ankle Injury
- Nellie Taylor, seizures, EEG
- Burnette Domier
- Mike Muecke, surgery on May 10. Nephew-in-law of Larry and Jean Cook.
- John Wagner, grandfather of Mason and Myles Wagner is going into hospice care
- Evelyn Patterson, (Aunt Evie to Christine Hansen). Had a full hip replacement after a fall.
- Mary Wells, in hospice
- Garnet Novotny - cancer
- Carol Sindelir, Val Nelson's sister
- Fonda Whalen, dementia
- Bonnie Swedal
- 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
- 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*



Jacob Wrestles Until Daybreak

# Jacob Wrestles with God

So Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him till daybreak. Genesis 32:24 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Genesis 32:22-31



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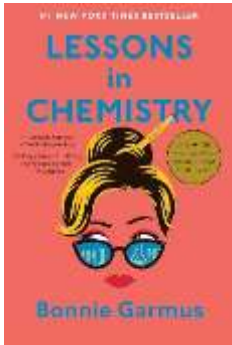
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SONS	LIFE	DAYBREAK	SERVANTS	NAME

# News & Opportunities

## *“Lessons in Chemistry” selected as the June Book*

### **Women’s Book Club**

Join us for enriching literature and fellowship! This month we are reading “**Lessons in Chemistry**” by Bonnie Garmus. We meet the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday from May thru August at 6:30pm in the Lower Level Community Room at the church. July & August books will be selected at the June meeting.



## *Bounce House Days are back this Summer*

Join us as we set up our bounce house, hand out water and snacks and invite kids to bounce while parents enjoy a break in the shade. 3pm – 7pm on Thursdays – June 27, Jul 25 and August 22. *Volunteer Sign up Coming Soon!*



## *Vacation Bible School registration is Open*

**August 5 – 8 | 9:00am – 12:00pm**

**\$15 per kid/ \$45 max per family**

Let’s Go Camping! We are really excited for Camp Firelight VBS. This camping adventure will function like a daycamp for our preschool and elementary age students (age 4 thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade, all students must be potty trained) Find out more and **Register Online** at [elkriverlutheran.org/vbs.html](http://elkriverlutheran.org/vbs.html)



## *Summer Festival Camp: Registration Now Open*

Join us for 3 nights of fun, worship, and inspiration at Gustavus Adolphus College. Only \$275!

High School: July 7-10

Middle School: July 14-17

Registration: <https://erlc.breezechms.com/form/1c91049>



## *Vermillion - Concert - June 23 at 3pm*

The kaleidoscope turns to vermillion. Symbolizing passion, power, and love, this color comes to life through a bold set of songs at Elk River Lutheran Church. We explore many shades of love, with music from Imogen Heap, k-os, Francis Poulenc, Avi Kaplan, and others. Hear what a color sound like.

**Cost \$25, %20 for seniors 65+ and kids under 12**

**Get Tickets at [kquartet.com](http://kquartet.com)**



## *This Week at Elk River Lutheran*

### SUNDAY

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

### MONDAY

#### MEMORIAL DAY

*Church Office is Closed*

### 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*  
6:30pm Church Council  
7:00pm AA Meeting (*Community Room*)

### WEDNESDAY

6:00pm Instrumental Ensemble Dinner & Forum

### THURSDAY

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*)  
*Find a link at:*  
<https://www.elkriverlutheran.org/adult-ministries.html>

### NEXT SUNDAY

8:30am Traditional Worship  
9:30am Fellowship Hour  
10:30am Contemporary Worship  
7:00pm Baccalaureate Service – Pastor Nathan  
Preaching (*Elk River High School*)



**Your Name Shall Be Israel  
~ Genesis 32:28**