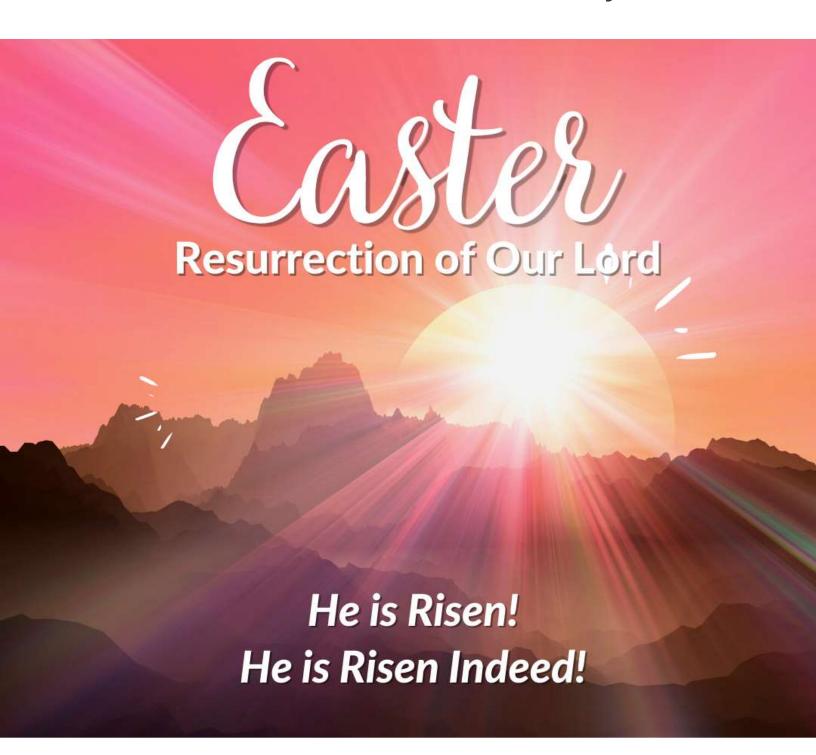
April 9, 2023 • 8:30am The Stone is Rolled Away









EASTER BANNER



Our young students, PreK through elementary school, worked together to color the Alleluia Butterfly banner for Easter. It took 5 weeks to do so, but we are thrilled with how it turned out!

Thank you to all who helped with this project.

Our sanctuary is much more beautiful because of your work!

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, April 9	Next Sunday, April 16	
Greeters	Jenny Stanley and Cale Stanley-Wornson		
Ushers	Chuck and Jane Cazett and Dale Ziner	Fran and Mark Johnson	
Scripture Reader		Levi Ethen	
Communion Steward	Julie Marie Haugen	Jim Acers	
Communion Servers	Tom and Lorie Werk	Milo and Kari Christianson	
Sunday Morning Communion Setup/ CleanUp	Dixie Rud		
Mid-Week Communion Fill		Paula Rose	
PowerPoint Operator	Elliot Pruchnik	Hannah Boese	
Soundboard Operator			
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

(#365) "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" v1, 2 & 4 Gathering Hymn

Confession and Forgiveness

Song of Praise p. 139 "Lord God, Heavenly King"

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer of the Day Children's Sermon

Scripture Readings Luke 24: 1-12

Pastor Anne Schaefer Sermon

(#376) "Thine is the Glory" Hymn of the Day

Sharing & Receiving the Gifts of God

Apostles Creed

Bidding Prayers

Sharing of the Peace

Offering "The Angel Rolled the Stone Away" Featuring ERLC Choir

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

(#413) "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord" v1 Holy, Holy, Holy

Words of Institution The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God p. 146

"Lamb of God"

(#374) "Day of Arising" to the tune of "Morning is Broken" Communion Hymns

> (#379) "Now the Green Blade Rises" (#477) "I Received the Living God"

Communion Blessing & Prayer

The Sending of God's People

Community Announcements

Sending Blessing

Sending Hymn "Hallelujah Chorus" see Insert

Sending Dialog

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Hallelujah Chorus

CONGREGATION PART

Revelation 19:6; 11:15; 19:16

MESSIAH George Frideric Handel (1685–1750) Setting by HAL H. HOPSON





Easter Flowers Memorials and Honorariums

Thank you to those that donated flowers to help decorate our fanctuary this faster.

In Honor of Our Parents	Don and Babs Armagost	
In Memory of Bob & Marian Barthel, and Joan	Mary and John Barthel	
& Fritz Markfort	-	
In Memory of Our Fathers Ron Vandrovec and	Lisa Beiswenger	
Ed Beiswenger	_	
In Memory of Parents Cloy and Carole Goetsch	Colette Brown	
In Memory of Mother, Ruth (Pohlmann)	Katharíne Carlson	
Carlson		
In Memory of Opa & Oma Kenneth &	Katharine Carlson	
Katharine Pohlmann		
In Memory of Family	Larry and Jean Cook	
In Memory of Loved Ones	Hartley & Kathy Dahl	
In Memory of Maureen Dalness	Cathy and John Dalnes	
In Memory of Romey Dalnes	Cathy and John Dalnes	
In Memory of Dr. John and Mildred Fasanello	Deb and Dave Fasanello	
and William and Thelma Crockett		
In Memory of Margaret Blahosky	Víckí Granros	
In Memory of Loved Ones	Stan and Díane Hahn	
In Honor of Family	Sue Hales	
In Memory of Family	Sue Hales	
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In Honor of all people in need of healing	Martha Нірре	
In Honor of Ron and Gloria Stricker	Adam, Kelli, Audrey &	
-	Katherine Horner	
In Memory of Bob Cash, Shari's father	Justin and Shari Howland	

In Memory of Howie Howland, Justin's father	Justin and Shari Howland	
In Honor of Our Granddaughter Stella	Fran and Mark Johnson	
In Memory of Glenn Johnson	Pam Johnson	
In Memory of Jerry Kearney	Georgía Kearney	
In Memory of Our Parents	Bob and Sandy Krumwiede	
	Amanda Lemíre	
In Memory of Mamma Jenny, Grandma GG,	Wendy, Kassie, Aniki, and Avery	
and Wade	Mauch	
In Memory of Dale Mayer	Jordan Mayer	
In Memory of Grandpa and Grandma	Carolyn Mitzuk	
In Memory of Parents Lorenz and Dorís	Dan and Val Nelson	
Nelson, Forest and Pearl Abbott and Brother-		
in-law Steve Sindelir		
Ikn Honor of my Parents and Siser	Línda Niemeyer	
In Honor of my Granddaughter	Linda Niemeyer	
In Honor of Gerri, Mitch, Scott and Families	Russ and Barb Overbye	
In Memory of Our Parents	Russ and Barb Overbye	
In Honor of Grandma Twyla	Taylor Quinn	
In Memory of Carl & Vera Eckhoff	Roger and Sharon Rinerson	
In Memory of Vern Rinerson and Vern Zillmer	Roger and Sharon Rinerson	
	Paula Rotz	
	Paula Rotz	
	Víckí Sackmeister	
	Anne Schaefer	
		
In Memory of Our Parents	Ron and Gloria Stricker	
In Memory of Guy Varty	Donna Varty	
In Memory of Brother	Lorie and Tom Werk	
	Lorie and Tom Werk	
	Tom and LuAnn Wingard	
In Honor of Loved Ones	Marvin Ziner	
In Honor of my Granddaughter In Honor of Gerrí, Mítch, Scott and Famílies In Memory of Our Parents In Honor of Grandma Twyla In Memory of Carl & Vera Eckhoff In Memory of Vern Rinerson and Vern Zillmer In Memory of Sandy Charles In Memory of Sandy Rotz In Memory of Mom, Dad and Michelle In Memory of Lana "Mimi" Schaefer In Memory of Richard Larsen In Memory of Our Parents In Memory of Guy Varty In Memory of Brother In Memory of Parents In Memory of Our Family	Linda Niemeyer Russ and Barb Overbye Russ and Barb Overbye Taylor Quinn Roger and Sharon Rinerson Roger and Sharon Rinerson Paula Rotz Paula Rotz Vicki Sackmeister Anne Schaefer Anne Schaefer Ron and Gloria Stricker Donna Varty Lorie and Tom Werk Lorie and Tom Werk Tom and LuAnn Wingard	



PRAYER REQUESTS

Praise the Lord (joys and answered prayers):

- For those who received their first communion on Wednesday March 29 during Dinner Church
- For all the kids and families that are participating in the Palm Sunday program!

In Sympathy

- Family and Friends of Buddy Parker, Martha Hippe's brother
- Friends and Family of Cheryl Branch, friend of Heather Amsbaugh

For Support

- Jim and Karen Acers
- Ryan

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

Health concerns

- Janelle Hahn, breast cancer & surgery, daughter-in-law of Stan and Diane Hahn
- Curt Bergemann, in hospice
- Judy Sloan
- Jerry Belland, entered hospice, pray for peace
- · John Campbell, pneumonia
- Ron Stricker, stomach cancer, chemo started March 6
- Carol Sindelir, Val Nelson's sister
- · Mary Wells, pancreatic cancer
- Anne S. friend of Mike and Linda Quam (Anne's cancer has returned and spread, also pray for her husband and 3 teens)
- 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



Next Sunday, April 16th

HOLY HUMOR SUNDAY

because God played a practical joke on the devil by raising Jesus from the dead









Get ready to laugh

Sunday April 16 8:30am and 10:30am



NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

Partnering people together to build a community that cares for each other!

Talk Team

people gifted at listening and showing empathy

Task Team

 People who want to help out with small household duties

Training will be provided over a light lunch on Sunday, April 16 starting at 11:45am

If you or someone you know would benefit from having someone come over to visit or help out with a household job, we'd love to include you in this ministry.

Contact Pastor Anne: pastoranne@elkriverlutheran.org or 763-595-1216



STOP

GOING TO

CHURCH.

BE THE CHURCH.

SERIES OVERVIEW

In these weeks after Easter we're going to encourage you to Stop Going To Church... and instead Be the Church!

We usually talk about "church" as a destination. "I'm going to church." "I missed church this weekend." "You better behave in church!" (hopefully that last one is to a child and not an adult) But church is way more than just a place. Church is a people living out the faith together.

Trusting in God's grace, an accepting, joyful community, serving God and neighbor.

This shared mission never mentions a building or a location, it describes our shared life and faith together.

April 23 - Freed to Lead

April 30 - Church For ALL

May 7 - Be the Church

May 14 - Bring the Church

May 21 - In The Neighborhood

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Special Elk River Lutheran Hours at Varty's Greenhouse







Sunday, May 7th 5:00pm-7:00pm 13192 192nd Ave NW Elk River, MN 55330

Join your church friends to shop at Varty's Greenhouse for spring flowers and a portion of the proceeds will go to support the church



Downtown Block Party Sunday, May 21 11:00am-1:00pm

Elk River Lutheran Church - 729 Main Street - Elk River



Joint Outdoor Worship Service at 9:30am to start the Celebration

Surprise! It's Empty!

Luke 24:1-12

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BOWED	FACES	GROUND	MORNING	RISEN
WOMEN	WEEK	FRIGHT	STONE	LIVING
ROLLED	FIRST	REMEMBER	DAY	DEAD
TOMB	AWAY	SPICES	ENTERED	BODY

Easter brings good news to tell everyone. Draw yourself sharing the Easter greeting with a family member, friend or neighbor.





Dear God, help us share the great news: Jesus lives! Alleluia! Amen

this week

Use colored paper to make a butterfly as a symbol of Easter. Give it to a neighbor or friend.



Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota (LSSMN) Refugee Services

Matching Gift Challenge

Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota has a long history of serving neighbors in a variety of ways, including the unique needs of refugees relocating to Minnesota. There are 25.4 million refugees worldwide. A refugee is any person, living outside of his or her home country, who is unable to return to their home country due to a well-founded fear of persecution based on race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group or political opinion. Less than one half of 1% of the world's refugees each year find a safe haven through resettlement in another country. Those who are lucky enough to find safety and a new start in another country wait an average of 17 years in refugee camps. The work of LSSMN is the work of the church, helping refugees secure housing and find employment, enroll in school and English classes, connect to medical care, orient to their community and build bridges across cultures.

On Easter Sunday we are kicking off a six week appeal to collect funds to support LSSMN's work with refugees. Thanks to the generous commitment of one of our members all gifts up to \$5000 will be matched dollar for dollar. We have a great opportunity to help some of our newest neighbors. I hope you'll support this effort to **Be the Church**!

Financial gifts can be made electronically with Tithe.ly online giving, placed in the church offering plate (in an envelope noting LSSMN Refugee Services), or dropped off at the church office.



GIVE ONLINE

Scan here to give online – Select Green GIVE Button. Select Give To: "Lutheran Social Services- Refugee Services"

WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY

8:30am Traditional Worship9:30am Fellowship Hour10:30am Contemporary Worship

MONDAY Easter Monday – Church Office Closed

TUESDAY

9:00am Quilting (Lower Level Quilting Room)
10:00am Text Study – Optional Fellowship time at 9:30am (Lower Level Community Room)
10:00am Moms Club of Otsego/Elk River

WEDNESDAY

3:00pm Worship/Music Team **6:30pm** Confirmation **6:30pm** High School Youth

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

Holy Humor Sunday

8:30am Traditional Worship9:30am Fellowship Hour10:30am Contemporary Worship

11:45am Neighbor to Neighbor Training

New Members

Sunday, April 30, 9:30 AM

New Member Orientation

Sunday, May 7

New Member Sunday with Fellowship

Would you like to make Elk River Lutheran Church your faith community? We invite you to join us to learn more about the vision, history and ministries of Elk River Lutheran Church, and ways that you can find your place here. Join us this Spring for our new member orientation. To sign up, let us know on the connection form with your bulletin or send an email to linda@elkriverlutheran.org

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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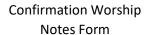
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Confirmation Volunteer Form

Ways to Give



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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