

*April 30, 2023 • 8:30am*

*Church For ALL*

**STOP**

**GOING TO**

**CHURCH.**

**BE THE CHURCH.**





# **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, April 30</b>	<b>Next Sunday, May 7</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	Jim Simpson	
<b>Ushers</b>	John and Debbie Campbell	
<b>Scripture Reader</b>	Elliot Pruchnik	
<b>Communion Steward</b>	Julie Marie Haugen	
<b>Communion Servers</b>	Babs Armagost	
<b>Sunday Morning Communion Setup/ CleanUp</b>		
<b>Mid-Week Communion Fill</b>	Lorie Schulstad-Werk	
<b>PowerPoint Operator</b>		
<b>Soundboard Operator</b>		
<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

Gathering Hymn (**#843**) ***"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"***

Confession and Forgiveness

Song of Praise p. 167

***"Glory to God in the Highest"***

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

Prayer of the Day

Kids Connect

Scripture Readings

John 4:1-26

Sermon

*Pastor Anne Schaefer*

Hymn of the Day

**(#777) *"Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty"***

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

Apostles Creed

Bidding Prayers

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

Holy, Holy, Holy p. 173

***"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord"***

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God p. 174

***"Lamb of God"***

Communion Hymns

**(#487) *"What Feast of Love"***

**(#334) *"Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery"***

Communion Blessing & Prayer

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

Community Announcements

Sending Blessing

Sending Hymn

**(#641) *"All are Welcome"* v1, 4 & 5**

Sending Dialog

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

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

- Heartfelt Thanks to God and the congregation for healing prayers and support following my auto accident one year ago, April 17, 2022. I have been blessed. Karen Acers

### ***In Sympathy***

- Family and Friends of Dave Burandt, husband of Barbara Burandt
- Family and Friends of James Potvin, Dare Funeral Luncheon here Thursday, April 20

### ***For Support***

- Ron and Kathie Nielsen, parents of Pete Nielsen
- Ryan



### ***Health concerns***

- Joey, son of Martha Hippe's friend, brain surgery on 4/28
- Kevin Nelson, recovering from open-heart surgery, brother of Karen Froelich
- Kevin Nelson's daughter (niece of Karen Froelich) born with an enlarged liver and is battling cancer
- Dale Kazeck, cancer, brother of Ruth Traaseth
- Tracy Herrlinger's Dad
- Julie Hendricks, daughter of Cedric and Marlys Olson, breast cancer
- Tom Anderson, brother-in-law of Tom and Lorie Werk, Lori's sister, shingles
- Sara Anderson, sister to Lorie Werk, Stage 1 lung cancer
- Janelle Hahn, breast cancer & surgery, daughter-in-law of Stan and Diane Hahn
- Curt Bergemann, in hospice
- Carol Sindelir, Val Nelson's sister
- Ron Stricker, has completed 4 rounds of Chemo Therapy. CT scan is scheduled for May 1.
- Tom Lund, nephew of Deb Pouliot, stage 4 brain cancer
- Mary Wells, pancreatic cancer
- Anne S. friend of Mike and Linda Quam, completed radiation, ongoing chemo for spread of brain & bone 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*



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



# Matching Gift Challenge

Easter - May 21

6 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. **Be the Church!**



**How to Give:** In Memo or Give To Field:  
Lutheran Social Services – Refugee Services

## Ways to Give



**Cash / Check**  
Offering plate is by the entrances



**Mobile Giving**  
QR Code



**Text to Give**  
Text Give to  
(612) 324-8257

# Downtown Block Party

Sunday, May 21 11:00am-1:00pm

Elk River Lutheran Church - 729 Main Street - Elk River



Free Food  
Carnival Games  
Live Music  
Bounce House  
Rad Zoo Animal Show  
on stage at 12:30

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

# The Thirst Quencher

Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."  
John 4:10 (NIV)

Based on John 4:5-13

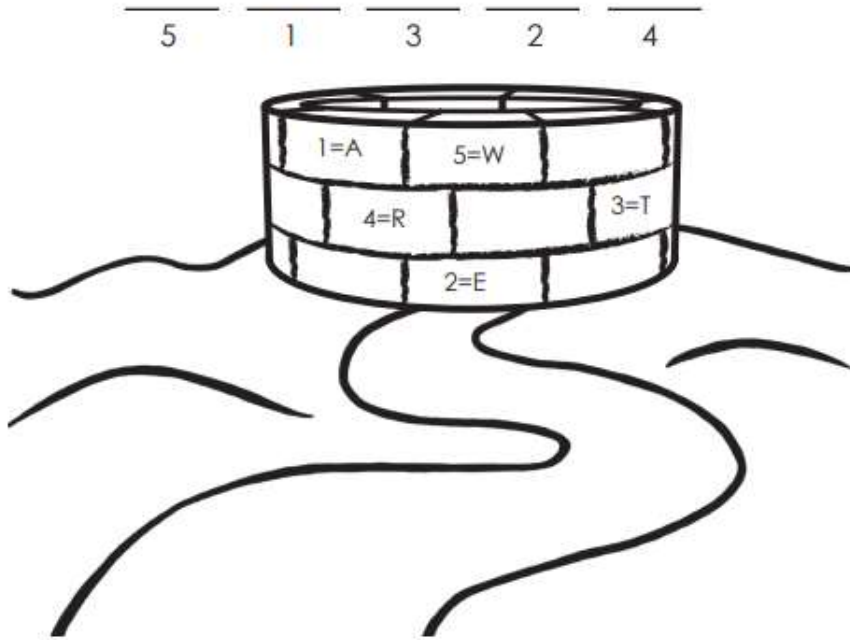


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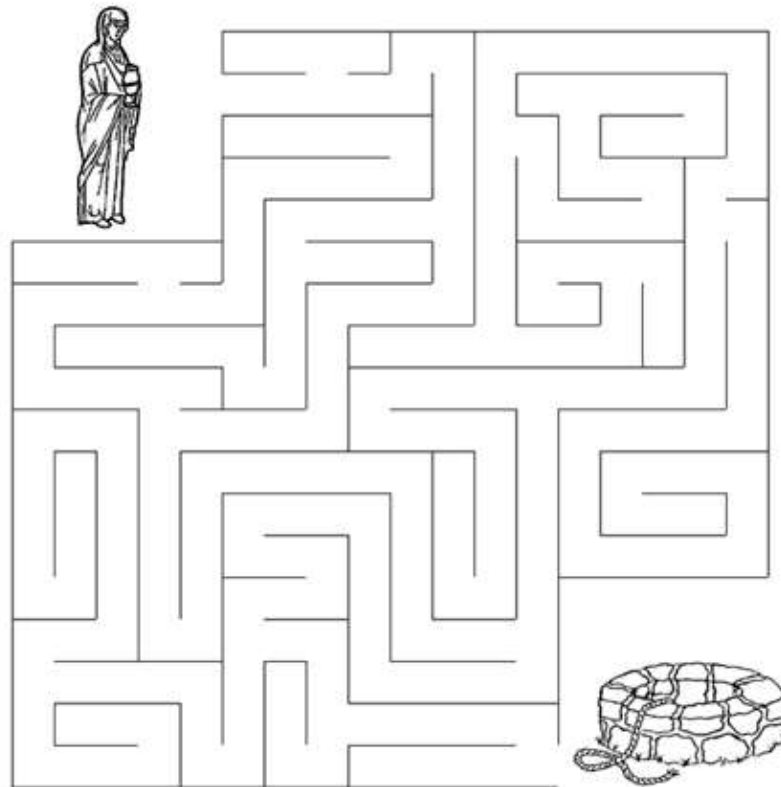
Use the clues in the bricks to find out what the woman learned.



Jesus is the living \_\_\_\_\_.

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Help the Samaritan woman find the way to the well.



## WEEK AHEAD

### SUNDAY

- 8:30am** Traditional Worship with Kids Connect  
**9:30am** Fellowship Hour  
**9:30am** New Member Orientation  
(Community Room)  
**10:30am** Contemporary Worship with Kids Connect

### MONDAY

- 7:30pm** Worship Band Rehearsal

### TUESDAY

- 9:00am** Quilting (Lower Level Quilting Room)  
**10:00am** Text Study – Optional Fellowship Time  
starting at 9:30am (Lower Level Community Room)  
**6:00pm** Riverside Ringers

### WEDNESDAY

- 6:30pm** Confirmation  
**6:30pm** High School Youth

### THURSDAY

- 10:00am** Genealogy Group  
**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)

### NEXT SUNDAY

#### ***New Member Sunday***

- 8:30am** Traditional Worship with Kids Connect  
**9:30am** Fellowship Hour  
**10:30am** Contemporary Worship with Kids Connect  
**11:45am** Umbrella Meeting  
**5:00pm** Special ERLC Hours at Varty's Greenhouse

## 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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Kent Larson

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Matt Glasoe

**Treasurer:**

Mark Johnson

Sue Hales  
Julie Marie Haugen  
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Jeff Schrock  
Jennifer Stanley  
Tom Werk



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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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### **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 - Be The Church**

**April 30 - Church For ALL**

**May 7 - Just A Phase**

**May 14 - Bring the Church**

**May 21 - In The Neighborhood**

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