

July 9, 2023 • 8:30am
6th 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 9	Next Sunday, July 16
Greeters	Renee Thurmer and Dale Ziner	John and Debbie Campbell
Ushers	Tom and Lorie Werk	Sharon Emerick and Chuck Hulse
Scripture Reader	Kari Christianson	Levi Ethen
Communion Servers	John Natwick and Diana Schansberg	Milo and Kari Christianson
Sunday Morning Communion Setup/ CleanUp	Lorie Schulstad-Werk	
Mid-Week Communion Fill		Fran Johnson
PowerPoint Operator	Levi Ethen	
Soundboard Operator	John Auel	Nick Campbell
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

Prelude

"Down to the River to Pray"
featuring Kaleidoscope Quartet

Welcome

Gathering Hymn

(#633) "We've Come This Far by Faith"

Confession and Forgiveness

Song of Praise

"My Lord, What a Morning"
featuring Kaleidoscope Quartet

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer of the Day

Suckers and Bible Stories

"The Lord's Prayer", Spark Story Bible, Pg 278
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Scripture Readings

Sermon

Rev. Linda S. Campbell

Hymn of the Day

(#790) "Day by Day"

Sharing & Receiving the Gifts of God

Apostles Creed

Bidding Prayers

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

"Sicut cervus"
featuring Kaleidoscope Quartet

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

Holy, Holy, Holy

"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of Hosts"

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

Communion Hymns

"Christ, O Lamb of God"
(#697) "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"
(#608) "Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling"

Communion Blessing & Prayer

The Sending of God's People

Community Announcements

Sending Blessing

Sending Hymn

(#765) "Lord of All Hopefulness" v1, 3 & 4

Sending Dialog

Postlude

"Will the Circle Be Unbroken"
featuring Kaleidoscope Quartet



Rev. Linda S. Campbell

Rev. Linda Campbell was ordained in 1981 in the Lutheran Church of America, a predecessor body of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. She served as pastor of a congregation and as a campus pastor in Wisconsin, before returning to Minnesota where she completed training and certification as a Chaplain and a Certified Educator in Clinical Pastoral Care. She served as Associate Director of Chaplains at the University of Minnesota Hospital and Clinic; Director of Chaplaincy and CPE at Regions Hospital; and as Clinical Pastoral Educator and Chaplain Supervisor (Chief) at the St. Cloud Veterans Affairs Health Care System prior to retiring in 2020.

SUMMER WORSHIP **Sunday, July 16**

Stories and Teachings
from the

**Gospel of
Matthew**



**Katie
Hendrikson**
Matthew 13:
1-9, 18-23

PRAYER REQUESTS

Praise the Lord (joys and answered prayers):

- Elwood Chouinard, oldest brother of Paul had a successful triple by-pass surgery and doesn't have much pain and is doing good. He will just have some rehab to do. Thanks for praying!

In Sympathy

- Family and Friends of Dorothy "Dodo" Kjeldahl Johnson of Belgrade MN. Maternal Aunt of Dale Ziner
- 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
- Family and Friends of Carla McNair

For Support

Health concerns

- Jeanne Jenkins
- Donn Granros
- Garnet Novotny
- John Wagner, Grandpa of Myles and Mason Wagner has liver cancer
- Roger Bentz
- Joanne, recovery from knee replacement surgery on 6/16
- 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 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
- 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

Come to Me

Matthew 11:28-30

Word Search Puzzle

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

HUMBLE
SOULS
COME

ALL
WEARY
GIVE

LEARN
GENTLE
EASY

LIGHT
TAKE
BURDEN

YOKE
HEART
REST

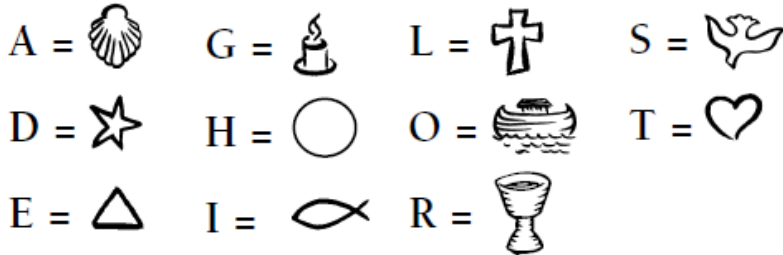
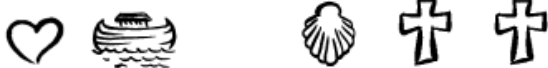
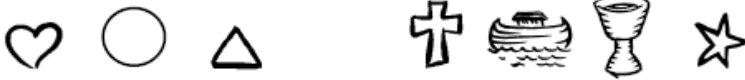


Finding rest

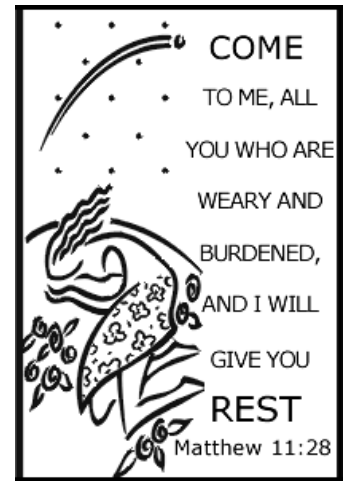
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Jesus knew it could be tiring and even discouraging to follow in God's way. So he told his disciples to come to him to find rest. We are invited to come to Jesus when we pray.

Psalm 145 is a song of praise. Use the code to discover the message in verse 9.



A symbol is a picture that reminds you of something you've learned. Look around you. Do you see a cross? What other symbols from the word puzzle do you see in your worship space? Draw them here.



this week

Make a long list of the many ways everyone in your home sees God's presence.

COKESBURY'S

HERO HOTLINE

Called Together
to Serve God!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

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





**Kaleidoscope
Quartet**



An Afternoon with Kaleidoscope Quartet

Sunday, July 9th - 3pm

Join us at Elk River Lutheran Church and hear a wide array of musical selections from Disney, Palestrina, Seal, and Queen! There will be a reception following the performance, hosted by ERLC Music Ministry.

Tickets: \$25*
kquartet.com



*Senior and child discounts are available.

60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

Wayne and Ruth Traaseth

**Join in the celebration
with some cake during Fellowship Hour
Sunday, July 9th**

Actual Wedding Anniversary Date is July 13th **





WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY

Pr. Linda Campbell, Guest Preacher

8:30am Traditional Worship

9:30am Fellowship Hour

  *Cake during fellowship in celebration of Wayne and Ruth Traaseth's 60th Wedding Anniversary on 7/13*

10:30am Contemporary Worship

Summer Festival Camp Grades 9-12 Departs

3:00pm Kaleidoscope Quartet Concert

MONDAY

10:00am Hospitality Meeting

TUESDAY

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

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

10:00am Moms Club of Otsego/Elk River

WEDNESDAY

Summer Festival Camp Grades 9-12 Returns

6:30pm Dare Funeral Luncheon for Lyle Ott

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

Katie Hendrikson, Guest Speaker

8:30am Traditional Worship

9:30am Fellowship Hour

10:30am Contemporary Worship

Summer Festival Camp Grades 6-8 Departs

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.

STAFF

Pastor Nathan Mugaas
On Sabbatical

Pastor Anne Schaefer
952-250-6974
pastoranne@elkriverlutheran.org

Linda Nielsen
Office Manager
763-595-1216
linda@elkriverlutheran.org

Taylor Quinn
Director of Music Ministry & Worship
816-519-2719
taylor@elkriverlutheran.org

Nick Campbell
Online Broadcast Specialist
ncdpv1@gmail.com

Lisa Griffin
Staff Pianist
612-709-8882
madeleinesmom@gmail.com

Brian Harding
Custodian

Lori Sundman
Bookkeeper
763-595-1216
ERLCBookkeeper@gmail.com

Nursery Attendants:
Clara Anderson, Emma Anderson
and Amy Brown

CONGREGATIONAL 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



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.

Elk River Lutheran Church
729 Main Street – Elk River, MN 55330
(763) 595-1216
www.elkriverlutheran.org
Church Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9 am – 4 pm; Fri Closed

ELK RIVER LUTHERAN CHURCH

LUTHERAN

Night with the Twins



TICKETS
\$21

TUESDAY
15
AUGUST

TIGERS

VS

TWINS

TARGET FIELD

Join us for a fun-filled night at the Twins.
PLUS: All invited to join in singing the National Anthem.
Those interested, be there ready to sing at 5:30pm.

FIRST PITCH 6:40PM

SEATS TOGETHER IN SECTION 324 • INCLUDES HOTDOG AND POP

Sign up at elkriverlutheran.org, Deadline Sunday July 23
Questions, reach out to Pastor Anne

