

*July 16, 2023 • 8:30am*  
*7th 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](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, July 16</b>	<b>Next Sunday, July 23</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	John and Debbie Campbell	Sharon and Roger Rinerson
<b>Ushers</b>	Sharon Emerick and Chuck Hulse	Jane and Chuck Cazett
<b>Assisting Minister</b>		Cedric Olson
<b>Scripture Reader</b>	Levi Ethen	Fran Johnson
<b>Communion Servers</b>	Milo and Kari Christianson	Marlys and Cedric Olson,   Jenny Stanley
<b>Sunday Morning Communion Setup/ CleanUp</b>	Mary Barthel	Barb Burandt
<b>Mid-Week Communion Fill</b>	Jodi Rosati	Nancy Bock
<b>PowerPoint Operator</b>	Elliot Pruchnik	Sarah Auel
<b>Soundboard Operator</b>	Nick Campbell	Henry Boese
<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

**(#522) "As We Gather at Your Table"**

Confession and Forgiveness

Song of Praise

**"Glory Be to God on High"**

*Chicago Folk Service*

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

Prayer of the Day

Suckers and Bible Stories

"The Sower", Spark Story Bible, Pg 292

Scripture Readings

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Sermon

*Katie Hendrikson*

Hymn of the Day

**(#512) "Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil"**

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

Apostles Creed

Bidding Prayers

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

Holy, Holy, Holy

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

*Chicago Folk Service*

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

**"Christ, O Lamb of God"**

*Chicago Folk Service*

Communion Hymns

**(#515) "Break Now the Bread of Life"**

**(#496) "One Bread, One Body"**

Communion Blessing & Prayer

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

Community Announcements

Sending Blessing

Sending Hymn

**(#504) "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" v1 & 2**

**(#509) "God's Word is Our Great Heritage"**

Sending Dialog

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## Katie Hendrikson

Katie is a 2022 graduate of Luther Seminary where she earned the degree of Master of Divinity with a concentration in congregation and community care. She has a big heart for pastoral care, especially for those who are in their final moments of life on earth. Most recently, Katie lived in Vancouver, Washington while serving as a pastoral intern but now resides in Inver Grove Heights, MN. Katie currently works at Edina Community Lutheran Church where she serves as the director of Children, Youth, and Family ministries as she awaits a first call- she loves working with the next generation of the church and is excited to see what their future holds. In her freetime, Katie loves to watch baseball, drink coffee, and spend time in her garden. She is thrilled to be joining you all today and looks forward to leading worship with her close friend, Pastor Anne!

## PRAYER REQUESTS

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

- On Wednesday, July 12th, Hartley and Kathy Dahl celebrated their 64th Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations!

### ***In Sympathy***

- Family and Friends of Chuck Hatfield, uncle of Pastor Anne Schaefer
- Family and Friends of Crystal Brown (her family is husband Rob, Sons Cody (22), Ethan (17) and Zane (8)). Cousin of Pastor Anne Schaefer
- Family and Friends of Dorothy "Dodo" Kjeldahl Johnson of Belgrade MN. Maternal Aunt of Dale Ziner
- Family and Friends of Marlene Petersen, Dare Funeral Luncheon at ERLC on July 11
- 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

### ***For Support***

- Ed and Linda Retel, neighbor-friend of Pauline Kuhn

### ***Health concerns***

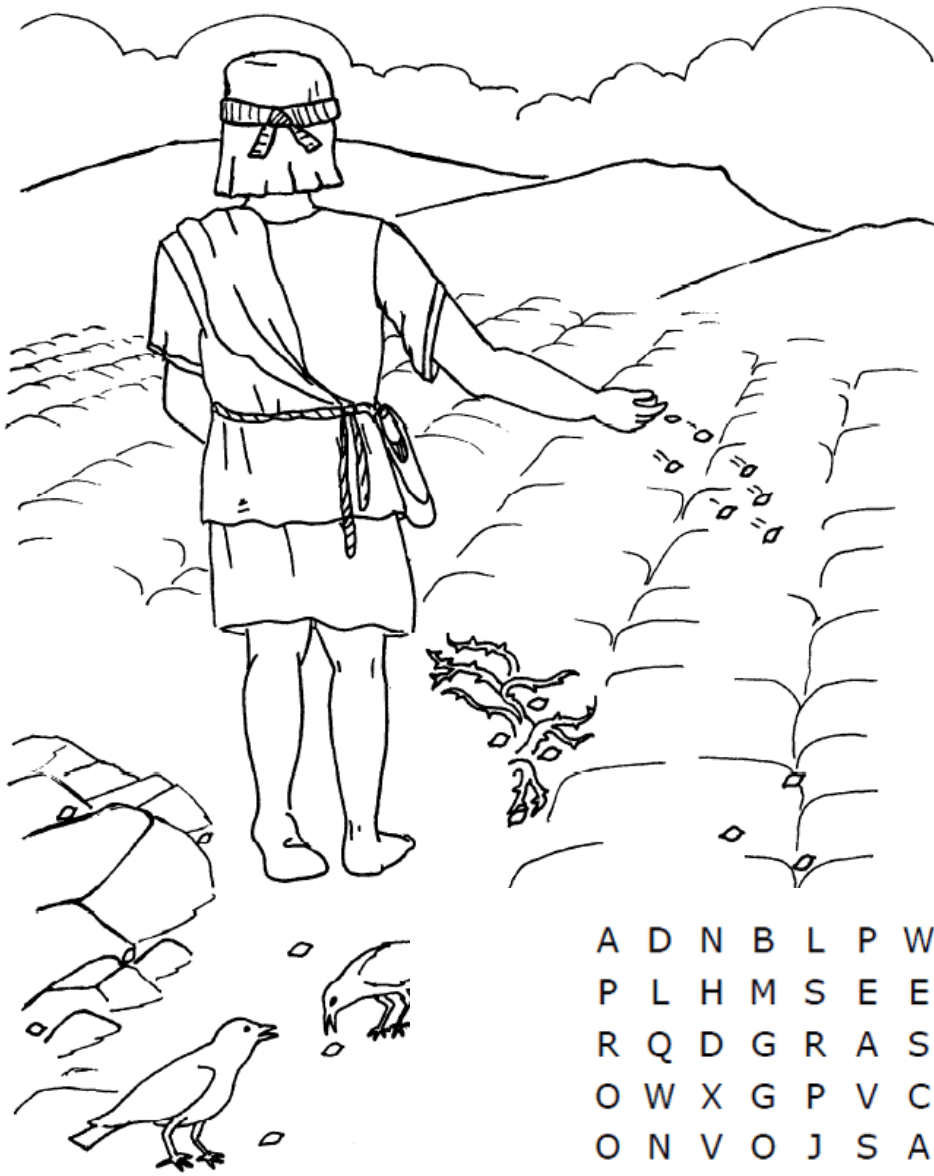
- Linda Retel, inoperable brain mass, starting radiation and chemo week of 7/17.
- Larry Koppel, bone marrow cancer, friend of Gail Palmer
- Sandy Fisker, Parkinson's Disease, cousin of Gail Palmer
- Norma Madsen, cancer
- Jeanne Jenkins
- Donn Granros
- Garnet Novotny
- John Wagner, Grandpa of Myles and Mason Wagner has liver cancer
- Roger Bentz
- Joanne, recovery from knee replacement
- 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
- Art Johnson, pulmonary fibrosis
- Nancy Naig
- Yvonne Frandsen, cancer, aunt of Jennifer Stanley
- Conni Natwick, complete healing from cancer
- 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*





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 P L H M S E E D I H A R U R G  
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PLANTS	SCORCH	FARMER	THORNS	CROP
WITHER	BIRDS	ROOT	CHOKE	SOIL
FELL	PARABLE	SCATTER	SEED	GREW
ROCKY	SHALLOW	GOOD	SOW	PATH

ELK RIVER LUTHERAN CHURCH

# LUTHERAN

*Night with the Twins*

TICKETS

**\$21**

TUESDAY

**15**  
AUGUST

**DEADLINE:**  
**SUNDAY, JULY 23**

**TIGERS**

**VS**

**TWINS**

**TARGET FIELD**  
**FIRST PITCH 6:40PM**



Sign up at [elkriverlutheran.org](http://elkriverlutheran.org)  
Questions, reach out to Pastor Anne

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

COKESBURY'S

# HERO HOTLINE

Called Together  
to Serve God!



 **Elk River**  
LUTHERAN

**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](http://elkriverlutheran.org/vbs)



## WEEK AHEAD

### SUNDAY

**Katie Hendrikson, Guest Speaker**

**8:30am** Traditional Worship

**9:30am** Fellowship Hour

**10:30am** Contemporary Worship

Summer Festival Camp Grades 6-8 Departs

### MONDAY

**NO JULY** Women's Monthly Bible Study  
(See You in August)

### TUESDAY

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

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

### WEDNESDAY

Summer Festival Camp Grades 6-8 Returns

**6:30pm** Church Council

### THURSDAY

**10:00am** Worship at Guardian Angels Riverview  
Landing

### 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

**Pastor Anne Schaefer preaching**

**8:30am** Traditional Worship

**9:30am** Fellowship Hour

**10:30am** Contemporary Worship

## 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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## CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

**President:** David Katzner  
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**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.

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