

January 21, 2024 • 8:30am
Prayer: Igniting the Conversation

REKINDLING FAITH IN THE NEW YEAR

Rekindle the gift of God that is within you.
2 Timothy 1:6



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, January 21	Sunday, January 28
Greeters	Debbie Campbell and Sharon Emerick	Doug and Donna Mathison
Ushers	Chuck Hulse and Tom Werk	Paul Hovde and Herm Weidner
Scripture Reader	Diana Schansberg	Paula Rose
Communion Servers	Milo and Kari Christianson	Jenny Stanley and Cale Stanley-Wornson
Sunday Morning Communion Setup/ CleanUp	Mary Barthel	Paula Rose
Communion Steward	Julie Marie Haugen	Vicki Simpson
Mid-Week Communion Fill	Jana Lundquist	Nancy Bock
PowerPoint Operator	Hannah Boese	Emma Anderson
Soundboard Operator	Emily Rotz	
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

Gathering Hymn

(#823) "Praise the Lord! O Heavens"

Litany of Warming

Song of Praise

"Glory and Praise to Our God"

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer of the Day

Kids Connect

Scripture Readings

Philippians 4:4-9

Sermon

Pastor Nathan Mugaas

Hymn of the Day

(#742) "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

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 One"

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

"Jesus, Life-Giving Lamb of God"

Communion Hymns

(#789) "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

(#754) "Jesus, the Very Thought of You"

Communion Blessing & Prayer

The Sending of God's People

Community Announcements

Sending Blessing

Sending Hymn

(#744) "Lord, Be Glorified"

Sending Dialog

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Praise the Lord (joys and answered prayers):

- Today (January 21st) is the birthday of Pastor Nathan Mugaas. 📍🎂 *Happy Birthday from all of us at Elk River Lutheran Church!*
- Steve Bucholz, now home recovering

In Sympathy

- Family and Friends of Christopher Dronen, cousin of Kari Christianson
- Family and Friends of Jerry McCann, friend of Hartley and Kathy Dalhl
- Family and Friends of Beverly Burtness
- Family and Friends of Joann Walstad, Julie Marie Haugen's aunt

For Support

- There is a young mother and her children who have been living in an unhealthy and abusive situation. Please pray for their safety, guidance and help for the father to find his way to getting help.
- Harriet Eckland, severe dementia, difficulty communicating

Health concerns

- Pat Guimont
- Donn Granros
- Shari Howland, lots of pain
- Kiley, husband to niece of Carol Roden needs a liver transplant
- Robin Skeie, cousin of Diana Schansberg, in bad car accident, now in rehab
- Norma Madsen
- Garnet Novotny - cancer
- Carol Sindelir, Val Nelson's sister
- 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
- Mary Wells, pancreatic cancer
- Nancy Naig
- 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

ANNUAL MEETING

• SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024

• 9:30 AM

INFORMATIONAL MEETING

• SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024, 9:30 AM

ANNUAL REPORTS available Sunday January 21

BOTH can be attended *In Person* in Sanctuary or *Virtually* via

Zoom using the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/733768254>



ERLC Winter and Spring Kids Connect Volunteers

- Sundays During Worship
- The Kids Connect Volunteer will help facilitate the short lesson.
- All material is provided



Sign up at: bit.ly/3ScEYQb

CYF NIGHT

Fellowship - Learning - Fun For All Ages

NEON NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

6:00PM TO 7:45 PM

"let your light shine before others..."

SUPPER | LARGE GROUP TIME | SMALL GROUPS



ELK RIVER LUTHERAN CHURCH

RECONCILING IN CHRIST

*Roll Down
Justice*

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024



ReconcilingWorks

LUTHERAN FOR FULL PARTICIPATION



Reconciling in Christ (RIC) Sunday is an annual worship celebration created to share in the commitment our organization and partnering faith communities have in the ongoing work of welcome, inclusion, celebration, and advocacy for LGBTQIA+ people in the life of the church.

O Q G T O S D S C M F S I C K
 S J F G R E Q M F A H A O G L
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trouble	songs	church	confess	prayer
anyone	praise	anoint	sins	righteous
happy	sick	faith	forgiven	powerful
sing	elders	raise	healed	effective



God hears my prayers.

WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY

8:30am Traditional Worship with Kids Connect
9:30am Congregational Informational Meeting
9:30am Fellowship Hour
10:30am Contemporary Worship with Kids Connect

6:00pm Worship Band

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 Rehearsal
7:00pm AA Meeting (*Community Room*)

WEDNESDAY

6:00pm CYF Night – Neon Out

THURSDAY

6:00pm Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm Financial Peach University Class

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

8:30am Traditional Worship with Kids Connect
9:30am Congregational Annual Meeting
9:30am Fellowship Hour
10:30am Contemporary Worship with Kids Connect

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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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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Church Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9 am – 4 pm; Fri Closed